

# **Vista Hills School Council**

## **Meeting Minutes**

### **Thursday, September 26 2019**

**Where:** Vista Hills Public School Library

**When:** Thursday, September 26 2019 at 6:30pm

**Attendees:** Jenn Phan, Ana Rivera, Milena Krstic, Bhaleka Persaud, Sharon Han, Anne Plouffe, Hajra Hafeez, Jen Christopher, Meghana Kotwal, Melanie Roberts, Eunmee Lee, Diana Clipsham, Sarah Moldenhauer, Ali Jalili, Azar Masouri, Amir Rousta, Michelle Coulombe, Greg James, Breanna Swanson, Jerry H, Ms. Hutton, Ms. Jespersen, Mrs. Juzti

#### **Agenda Items:**

1. Welcome and Introductions – All
2. Staff introductions and school update – Mrs. Juzti  
September HERO GEM Trait Resiliency

Staff Reps Ms. Hutton & Ms. Jespersen

#### **Math Wishlist – Mrs. Bumstead (absent)**

Asking School Council for following math related items:

- Mathup license \$700
- Manipulative \$700
- Resources from Marian Small \$600
- Total \$2000
- With the growth of school there is a need for these resources

#### **Ms. Jespersen**

Popcorn sales starting tomorrow with AC Club (Athletic Council)

- Last year very successful raised \$4000
- With money raised purchased additional gym equipment
- This year look to add equipment to the tarmac games by AC Club through popcorn sales

Request to School Council for one new crash mat and cover for gym

- Cost approx. \$1500
- Not needed until April 2020

Swim to Survive test Grades 7 & 8

- Allows year end trip to have water activity
- Ministry funds test for Grade 3 & 7 VH missed out last year for Grade 7
- This year would like both Grade 7 & 8 students to participate
- Takes place at Forest Heights pool over three 1hour sessions
- Booked Jan & Feb for the test
- Request to School Council for money to assist in the following costs:
  - o Bus for grade 7 (funding covers the cost of the swim to survive test & lifeguards)

- Bus, swim to survive test & lifeguards for grade 8
- \$150 round trip for bus
- Any amount will be helpful

### **School Activities**

Oct 1 Individual Photo Day

Oct 3 Meet the Community Open House 6:30 – 8:00pm

- Class/Teacher presentations @ 6:45, 7:10 and 7:30
- Meet and greet

Oct 11 Gratitude Community Flagpole Gathering

Oct 14 Drumline in Oktoberfest parade

Nov 11 Empathy Community Flagpole Gathering

***Save the date Dec 4 there will be an evening primary concert musical***

No re-organization at Vista Hills in 4 years!!

### **New Staff since August 2019**

Steven Budafalvi – Teaching grade 5/6 (House) LTO

Geeta Kumar – Teaching grade 4/5, 2 (Stark) LTO

Avery Harte – English grade 8, 3, media literacy, music & science

Sarah Clayton – Grade 3 FI

Jenna Lindhorst – EA

3. Approval of Minutes from June 2019 meeting - Breanna/Jerry

**Motion to approve Melanie Roberts, second Diana Clipsham**

4. Open positions on school council for 2019 – Breanna

On the attendance sheet people were asked to indicate if they were interested in helping out on school council this year. We then discussed as a group.

### **2019/20 School Council Positions**

Co-Chairs – Breanna Swanson & Melanie Roberts

Treasurer – Hajra Hafeez

Eunmee Lee & Diana Clipsham will assist with Treasurer

Secretary – Jerry H

Back-up Secretary – Jen Christopher

WRAPSC (Waterloo Region Assembly of Public School Councils) Reps – Will rotate meetings with Anne Plouffe and Melanie Roberts (*plus others who are interested*)

PIC (Parent Involvement Committee) – Anne Plouffe

Pizza Reps – Jill Pletsch & Greg James

## 5. Financial Report – Jill (absent)

No motions or approvals for requested items at this meeting.

## 6. Other Business

### Tarmac Update – Katie

- Enjoying the new tarmac!
- 7 option circuit, fox & goose, added two new four square and repainted old
- Total cost \$1418.18, School Council had approved \$1500

### Media release form input – Breanna

- Feedback from front office that this form has been challenging to fill out (part of new school year package)
- Will send out form to those in attendance and ask for feedback to make it easier to complete

### Home reading update – Anne

- To start week of Oct 15
- There will be 2 shifts per day 9-10am and 1:40-2:40pm
- SignUpGenius being used this year to organize volunteers
- Email [vistahomereading@gmail.com](mailto:vistahomereading@gmail.com) to volunteer
- May need more English and French books with the growth of the school

### Volunteer opportunities for parents – Anne

Help organize and hand out pizza every Wednesday (contact Greg James), Room 6 spend time with the students in class or help with baking (contact Miss Shinnie), Strong Start (contact Ms. Marshall) and school council events.

### PIC (parent involvement committee) – Anne

- PIC meeting took place on Tuesday
- WRDSB is in good shape financially, growing, able to add more teachers
- Next meeting Tues Oct 29 at 7pm all meetings open to the public

### Outdoor greening update – Breanna

- All trees have been planted, looks great, waiting for final cost
- Outdoor classroom is done!

*Next meeting Thursday October 24 at 6:30pm in the school library.*

### Reminder of ongoing VH fundraisers



COBS Bread Fundraiser at The Boardwalk location.

Mention at cash that you are from Vista Hills Public School when you place your order and 10% will be donated.

Mabel's Labels Fundraiser online at [https://mabelslabels.ca/en\\_CA/fundraising/support/](https://mabelslabels.ca/en_CA/fundraising/support/) and search Vista Hills Public School.

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