



School Council Meeting
Wednesday, Nov 21, 2018
7:00 - 8:00 PM

MINUTES

1.0 CALL TO ORDER AND PRAYER

-7:05 pm called to order by Karla

2.0 INTRODUCTIONS/ATTENDANCE

-Karla, Kelly, Susan S. Susan B, Nola, Curt, Jennifer, and Teresa, Rebecca, Lindsay
-regrets from Bernadette and

3.0 APPROVAL OF AGENDA

-approved

4.0 OLD BUSINESS

4.1 Crosswalk

-nothing new to report
-wait till after Christmas to see if meeting date is set with Town; Curt and Karla to attend and present to Council
-Shaye Anderson, MLA will attend in January to discuss new curriculum and any other issues; we will raise the crosswalk with him

4.2 Proposed policy and procedure changes

-motion by Kelly to approve the changes
-seconded by Lindsay
-motion approved

5.0 NEW BUSINESS

5.1 Family and School Liaison - Jennifer Bendza

- Jennifer started in Child Protection Services, has also worked with Black Gold Schools, now has joined St. Andre full time
- universal programming this year for all students-programs around anxiety, each grade has a different program with different language for each developmental language; culture and language created around our emotional state is the goal by the time they kids are in grade 4
- targeted groups with children identified (children in change); friendship strategies
- individual referrals for those who might need more one-on-one support
- focused on LEGO in her professional development (they focus on PLAY and changing the world one build at a time-programming to use LEGO as a vehicle to mental health)-returning to play is fundamental strategic play; there is no aspect of self-consciousness with LEGO; bringing LEGO to St Andre (for example, what does this conflict look like? What would the friend look like? The child describes the build, not the other person)-serious play program
- request for 800\$ kit for use with small groups and some 3 in 1 small kits 500\$ each purchase a couple of these (1500\$ estimate with shipping)
- Arli Bouchard is the FSLW for Mother d'Youville; she and Jennifer have worked together already to support the transition for the grade 4's to grade 5

5.2 Three year Education Plan - Curt

- Curt hopes for feedback from Council by December 1 via email
- Curt has to submit by mid December

5.3 Upcoming Events

a) School dance - recap

- huge success
- DJ did great job
- use as a fundraiser? By donation?

b) Movie night - Jan 25th, 2019

- Smallfoot?
- Karla to buy bags of popcorn (prebag day of event)
- bring your own water bottle

c) Carnival - Feb 22nd, 2019

- can discuss more at December meeting

5.4 Microwaves - Susan B.

- Susan to research other elementary schools similar to ours (logistics)

5.5 Council of School Council - update from Karla on meeting and some proposed changes to our way of doing things:

--all schools able to share how they are solving similar challenges and problems

a) Sending out meeting agenda to entire school

-email out to every parent (date, time, agenda...)

b) Having our School Trustee (Liz Sirois) attend meetings

-almost all other boards have the trustee at every meeting, providing a report

-Karla sent an email to her with all the dates to invite her so we will wait for her reply

6.0 FRIENDS OF ST. ANDRE

-8:10pm

7.0 REPORTS

7.1 School Administration Report

● **Advent Social Justice Project - The Giving Tree - Ghana**

-Christmas tree set up in foyer

-to repair a church that is badly damaged (donate an ornament onto the tree) 100% of the money goes right to the project

● **Report cards/Parent-Teacher evening**

-book fair and report cards

● **Christmas Concert** - Dec. 19 ECS - 6:30 p.m., Grade 3 and 4 - 7:30 p.m.

-Dec. 20 - grade 1/ 2 - 7:00 p.m.

Next meeting December 12

Meeting adjourned at 843