

Park Meadows School Council – Oct 18, 2022 Meeting Minutes
Meeting held via TEAMS and **In-person at the school** @ 6:30 pm

Link to the meeting:

https://teams.microsoft.com/l/meetup-join/19%3ameeting_YTgwMjM5ODItNjRkNS00MDUzLTg4YmUtNWJjYWJjNzdmNDE3%40thread.v2/0?context=%7b%22Tid%22%3a%223c0e8b63-e64e-4c8d-a40f-1d213b670472%22%2c%22Oid%22%3a%22b6697027-acb3-4682-81db-d836aef38ee9%22%7d

Attendance: Laura Shipalesky, Heather Farough, Caylee Rothe, Phi Jang, Jess Wainer, Jeff Kiefuik, Tina Skidmore, Melissa Maberley, Teri Smith, Sharon Willms-Laing, Allison Purcell, Cheryl Gilmour, Ward Huckabay, Cidney Wells, Pauline (student teacher)

1. Welcome : 6:31pm

Additions / Changes to Agenda – fire drill

Acceptance of Agenda – Heather, 2nd Caylee

Approval of Minutes from Sept 20, 2022 Meeting – Heather, 2nd Caylee

2. School Events and News –

- Parent Value activity-identifying what parent's value. Took about 15-20min working in groups. From a list of values, choose what the top 5 are in your group and narrowing the values down even more as a whole group. Positivity, Respect, Belonging, Diversity, Connection were the top 5
- First recognition assembly-was good, good entertainment program by W.Huckabay.
- Orange Shirt Day-Pauline and Megan (student teachers) formed a committee and organized activities for this day. Kids did a nature walk, learned about medicine wheel, discussed what orange shirt day was about. Classes that wore the most orange shirts... Mrs. Hamilton's class 100%, Mr. Ellison 90%, Mrs. van der Meer 85%. They won the panthers in their class for this month.
- Fall Picture Day-went well
- Terry Fox – raised \$569.75
- Outside stencils – Ms. Willms-Laing-They are finally completed! Some activities include mini hockey, conflict resolution circle, mirror me, snakes and ladders, four square and some target ones
- Teacher sharing-Mr. Huck would like to do a production play with a magical shop theme. It'll be about 45 min and include any grade 3-5 students who would like to be a part of it. Possibly 11 main characters, and some minor roles. There may be a dance component as well. Planning on having the show ready by April 6 with a matinee and an evening show. Will need parent volunteers to assist with costumes, paint sets, donation of odd items. Mr. Huck will get a list to Teri and she will pass it along to council/or other parents. Rehearsal times TBD

There will be no official Christmas Concert, but Mr. Huck will organize some activities

Cidney Wells-With her class she did a flexible seating arrangement. In her class there are individual desks, paired desks, and long table desks. She allowed the kids to sit where they liked in the first month to figure out what works for them and for her to figure out her kids dynamic as well. There is also a stationary bike, for kids who need a movement break. There are slanted boards if kids prefer to write at an angle. Grade 3 collaboration time where the grade 3

teachers have an opportunity to come together and discuss a variety of things like the science of reading, phonics, reading skills.

- **Other** -Fire drill-there was a fire evacuation on Mon Oct 17 around 3:20pm. There was a smoke smell and the fire alarm went off. The building was evacuated and Mrs. Hamilton was on the phone with 911. An investigation was done and no fire was found, possibly a belt got over heated in the boiler room, no cause found.

Baby sitting-question was raised at the last meeting to possibly start it up again for parents wanting to attend the meeting. Kids in the building are a liable, grade 5 students baby sitting would be too young. Decided no baby sitting at this time

Parent Council used to have a volunteer board posted in the school where teachers can put their requests there and parents can reach out to them if needed be. Due to Covid Parents weren't allowed in the school but now that restrictions are lifted could this happen again?

Jeff asked if Council could get a banner for events to show case what council is about-Caylee will invest in the cost will table to next meeting

3 Other Business to discuss

- AGM for School council
- Open positions
 - Treasurer to work alongside Shane
 - Secretary

Positions as accepted:

Chair-Caylee Rothe

Co Vice Chair-Heather Farough and Phi Jang

Treasurer-Shane Mann and Laura Shipalesky

Secretary-Phi Jang

Division Rep-Jeff Kiefuik

- 4 District Council Representative Report** – Jeff did not attend. Allison mentioned the trustee report is online to look at. Had their first community conversations. The next one is on Nov 8 at the fish and game from 10-1130am and Dec 8 YMCA at 4-530pm. Cheryl Gilmour gave division report-there is an AHS video online about hot lunches. There were discussions on fundraisers and the \$500 that the schools were given and what they spent it on. Park Meadows bought books last year for parents to read. Feel free to ask Teri for them if you would like to read them. A question was proposed What do we love the most about being engaged as a parent?

5 Treasure report.

- Now moved to foundation meeting

6 Next Meeting -November 15, 2022

7 Adjourn- 7:44pm