

MINUTES

February 18, 2021

Woodhaven Middle School Council Meeting

Date: February 18, 2021 – Time: 6:01pm – Location: virtual meet.google.com/oxn-cght-uvz

In Attendance

Dan Dowson - Lauren Lyle - Rob Shackleton - Karen Shackleton - Eric Cameron - Lei Gershyn - Emillie S Ashley Southworh - Lisa Hindle - Marcie Enders - Edna Nunyanah - Dawn Lutomsky - Michelle Tokar Tori L - Arizona Dyck - Shari Olsen - Angele Medeiros

Approval of Agenda & Minutes

- Added Grab n Go to agenda; Dawn Approved; Arizona Seconded; all were in favour
 - January 2021 Parent Council Minutes approved by Lei; Lauren seconded; All were in favour
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Trustee Report

Trustee Vice Chair Eric Cameron reported:

- A virtual delegation from Woodhaven Middle School was presented to the board. Giving an understanding on how the phys ed learning has been happening in the school this year. Especially how virtual learning was being handled with phys ed.
- Trustees approved revision to board policies 1, to align with the education act.
- Trustees are wanting a little more discussion on the calendar; the calendar will be approved soon.
- Board received an Occupational Health and Safety report. Some of the procedures on how some reporting is done has been revised, The board has aligned their policies with OHS.
- In September and October the OHS completed an audit on three schools in Parkland school division on the Covid-19 protocols; no safety or compliant issues were found.

- Trustees received the Student Services assurance report highlighting the various ways PSD student services coordinates with schools and families to support inclusive and safe supportive learning from k-12. As funds are taken away this shows to be more challenging
 - Parent engagement meeting was very successful.
 - Transportation report highlighted the downfall of families removing children from the busses halfway through the year. System was set up at the beginning of the year, now parents are wanting refunds. This has created a challenge for PSD. PSD will have to dip into reserves to gain back the last funds
 - A motion has been made for the board to send a letter to AB Health services for all contract workers to be able to get the Covid-19 vaccine.
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Student Ambassadors

Tori & Emillie:

question: What's it like to be in school during this Covid time?

- Both Tori and Emillie have attended WOODHAVEN since Grade 5 and have participated in a variety of after school activities including volleyball and choir.
 - They expressed that the most difficult part of COVID in school has been staying motivated to get good grades before entering high school next year.
 - They missed getting to do group work and being close to their friends in class as well as being in the same classroom all day rather than moving to other classes during the day.
 - They also miss the opportunity to be involved in sports teams and other school clubs.
 - They both offered "Silver Linings" to COVID, Tori found a love of long distance running and Emillie offered she is taking time for self care and her technology skills have improved.
 - They also expressed their thoughts on the new building stating how much they really liked the new classrooms, the blue and green colors really boost their moods.
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Principal's Report

- School modernization update; some leaking has come up in the new portion of the school; warranty will cover these leaks. The old portion of the school has been demolished now the rebuild can start.
- Crosswalk issue on King Street crosswalk. Not a safe place for student crossing guards, we would need adult supervision. AMA has been invited to come and look at the crosswalk and the challenges with it. We will continue the conversation on this crosswalk issue.

Question: concern is what are we going to do to stop kids from using the area as a crosswalk if we remove it?

- Development plan, 16 divisional goals to meet. The Care, Respect, Safety results from the bridge survey report.
 - Hot Lunch update: how does Broxton Park operate it. No, the vendor does not deliver or package the food into classroom boxes. Hot Lunch is to be put off till next September 2021. Will start planning in May or June for September.
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School Council Chair Report

- Parent stakeholder meeting was held. A lot of good topics and conversations were held during the meeting
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Committee Reports

- COSC report: Lei doesn't have an update
 - Grab n Go: Would we consider funding milk, buy a crate at a dollar a milk. Is there a way to get a government grant for milk? Can we piggy back on the nutrition nook? Government grants stipulate a 5 day a week program to qualify.
 - Nothing to report on Parent Association
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Announcements

No announcements

Adjourned meeting

Lauren motioned to adjourn meeting at 07:55; Dawn 2nd; all in favour