

MINUTES

Woodhaven Middle School Council Meeting

Date: October 20, 2021 – Time: 6:00 pm – google meet <http://meet.google.com/tcx-vmsf-pqf>

Attendance

Lauren Lyle, Chris Shaw, Marcie Enders, Ashley Southworth, Lei Gryshik, Arizona Dyck, Mark and Tanya-Louise Bell, Marianne Davies, Carter Dyck, Lisa Hindle, Angele Medeiros, Benjamin Kincheloe - parent using son's account so could sign in

Approval of Minutes

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- Approval of Agenda – Lei motioned, seconded by Tanya
 - Items to be added to agenda – none
 - Adopted the minutes from the September meeting.
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Trustee Report

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- Due to the Monday's election, Trustees will be absent from this meeting
No trustee - new election so there are new trustees
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Principal's Report

[Student Code of Conduct](#)

- Required by the Education Act and made available to view, be reviewed, etc. each year
- What is and what is not acceptable behavior and what the consequences could be
- Don't deal with an issue with a grade 5 vs a grade 9 in the same manner
- Safety is a priority
- We need to take into account the procedural fairness - grade 5 vs grade 9, as well as allowing for things like suspending kids into a home where there may be more issues
- Question about TicTok Devious Licks - there was an overwhelming number of students who came forward to report the issue, an announcement was made about who saw something and said something and reported it vs giving all the attention to the student who completed the lick. We only lost one soap dispenser.
- Suspending kids for things that don't happen at school - Education Act specifically addresses the school's responsibilities for bullying that happens outside of the school
- Questions about kids swearing and getting in each other's face after dismissal (ie between 3:45 to 5pm). How does that play into the discipline policy? A phone call or an email with details to help identify to the school
- Section E of the Education Act - would like to add that information Code of conduct is typically reviewed by teachers at the beginning of the year

- If you have questions or concerns, feel free to reach out and have conversations with us
- Procedural fairness and progressive justice are used at Woodhaven
- Kids are reporting that they feel encouraged to do good and that things are much better now (Marianne D)

Council Insurance

- Have not received from the SD yet but usually comes from Ms. Golinowski about now
- Currently re-evaluating and they had to complete a questionnaire to be evaluated for insurance. Was submitted at the beginning of October
- Chris will follow up on where we are with that

Visit's - AHS, OH & S

Development Plan

- Last year it was Safe, Care, and Respect
- Suspension data reviewed - 70% of the suspensions from 22 kids, most kids were suspended and never repeated the same mistake
- Last year we were down to 70 suspensions from 133 the previous year. Covid took 80 kids out and the behavior was different because of COVID. There were some wonderful accidents in terms of splitting up lunches and co-horting recess, sending the Jr. High's outside for recess
- Still have some work to do, so we will continue with Safe, Care, and Respect
- Parent Council Survey - going to ask you to do the same survey again. New people have come in and we would like to see if your opinion has changed.
- Measure on the assurance model has shown a considerable improvement from 75% to 86%. We are 1.8% off the provincial average and the biggest growth came from the students' reports.
- We will be breaking it down into suspension etc. by students and share the data, likely in January.
- Question: Are there community support that can be accessed to support families that are struggling?
 - School counselor, masters counselling students, Social work practicum student, and a community connector
 - Sunrise Support
 - Suicidal Ideation Protocol

COVID Update

- Prior to Oct 12 - no rules in place and parents had to inform (ie they could choose to but AHS did not call). Parent has to give permission to disclose that there is a student in the class had a positive case of COVID
- Parents have been overwhelmingly positive
- Some other School Divisions did not notify parents if they had a positive case disclosed. There was no legal obligation to disclose. PSD has chosen to inform parents
- Outbreak Status
Oct 12 hit and we went from 4-6 cases to 10+
- As of last night, we were on Alert but AHS has said we are on Outbreak until the 22nd.
- Very little has changed with the events of Oct 12. We are still using all the precautions (ie: sanitizing, entering the building by class, etc.)
- We are doing everything we were doing last year. Mask mandate added by the GOA is the only change.
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- AHS Visit - Second ever visit tomorrow
 - Feeling confident that we will be okay with this visit
 - Questions
 - What is the criteria for sending a class online? 3 confirmed cases that are infectious while in school over 5 days
- School division said this is the limit, this was not initially from GOA and AHS

OH & S Site Inspection - was not COVID related but due to having a new building

- The issues identified were mostly issues from construction residues
- Cleaning product that should not be in the school
- Product without labels - they were on order and had not yet arrived
- An old ladder that needed to be replaced
- The big one was capacity in the staff room - set a room occupancy limit

Moving Forward with WMSPC - Autonomy - Purpose

- Chris - is it time to let go of the agenda, etc, he is wondering if he is driving the school council too much
- Lauren - not being able to be in the building has made it harder to do a lot of these things. Finds Chris approachable, easy to toss ideas etc at him
- Lei - president and chair should be doing the agenda, but unfortunately with COVID it is on the school to get it out to parents
- Chris - Other than the principal's section, he would like to give the agenda back to the president and vice to organize the agenda.
- Ashley - I have never seen a Principal write an agenda, so I would say hand it back over to the person responsible and don't worry about it either, just relax.
- Lei - appreciate all of Chris' input and that he gives us more information than we ask you, and providing the back info that we didn't know we didn't know, is appreciated. Privacy is respected

Gaga Pit Update

- Lei motions that we ask the association to use the funds already raised by the students and top up with funds from the association to purchase the Gaga pit. Seconded by Lauren
- Chris and Marcie will draft a letter for the 4 boys and then Lisa and Lauren will sign it

Hot Lunch

- Have gotten a couple of emails from parents wondering if and when it will run, so we need to make a decision
- Run by Parent Association
Currently on hold due to COVID
- Kids cannot pick up the bin and take it to the class. It has to be individually wrapped and distributed by an adult
- Lauren would make herself available for the day to get hot lunch rolling

Reports

Chair's Report - Lauren Lyle

- No report

COSC - Lei Gryshik

- Have not had a meeting yet due to the elections
- First meeting is Nov 2
- Intro to COSC for the new parents

Parents' Association Report - Lisa Hindle

- Grab and Go - working with Dawn and Angele, so it is started
- Medeiros construction started us off with a contribution and will replenish as needed
- Reached out to Friesen - new person as the main contact and has been more challenging to connect. Last year it was \$50 a week. They are trying to consolidate all requests with all 16 stores in Edmonton, so it is being passed onto their marketing department
- Taken a letter to Save-On in Spruce and they have given 2x\$100 gift cards to spend on food
- Ashley - did grab and go with Dawn the other day and the kids were happy to see it back. There were a lot of things to choose from and there were lots of happy kids.
- Expansion on hold for now as well look for more ways to fund it
- 2 vacant positions
- Fundraising - Lei and Ashley passed on some good ideas that have worked well in the past
- Cob's does fundraising - can't do the grab and go as everything has to be individually wrapped due to COVID at the moment
- Sobey's - Wellness Coordinator, we do not have the PC grant but the Sobey's one was found and they will provide single serving breakfasts. They will also deliver it to the school. Have to determine how much we need.
- List is all food, so we will need to get bowls, spoons, etc
- Ashley and Dawn can put together a list and then we can get it funded

ASCA Update - Lei Gryshik

- No meeting details yet
- Meeting is April 24th
- If we have resolutions to put forth, they need to be ready before Jan 15th, 2022
- Explains ASCA for the new parents

AGM - Carryover

COSC - Lei - nothing to report, next meeting is

Student Ambassador – Carter Dyck Wolfpack Wellness

- Ideas for WPW
- Welcome packages for grade 5s and farewell packages for grade 9s
- Wolfpack merch
- Farewell cards - other grades can make
- Books
- Stress balls
- Link to the Doc supplied by Carter
- Carter thought of the ideas by himself and Arizona helped him
- Credits for the vending machine - how would it work?
- Not sure yet but could talk with Mr. Chan to figure something out

What does Carter need from the Association and the council? What do you think should happen next?

- Not sure but would prioritize the welcome and farewell packages for the grade 5s and 9s
- They are ideas Lei asks if he would like the Association to do fundraising for this stuff? Yes
- Wolfpack Merch is currently all done through the Athletics

- We would need to do some research on a company
- Had set aside \$1000 for Den Days prizes, since that is on hold
- There is about \$2300 that should be spent from Hot Lunch leftovers, but our operating budget is sitting a bit high. The money for the Gaga Pit is set aside
- Lei motions that council go forward with this idea and take it to ask the Association to pay for the purchase of merch. Seconded by Lauren.
- Will this replace Den Days or accompany it until it returns - Likely an accompaniment. Similar to the Got'chas BW does
- Council will do the work of finding a merch vendor or work with the gym teachers to explore merch
- The Association is responsible for examining the budget and determining what the final number there would be. The quotes can come from the Council but they cannot handle money.
- Pre-emptive with the Gym Teachers - clothing markup is pretty minimal. They only make a couple of bucks a shirt and that all goes right back into the program to buy jersey's etc.
- Hats, pencils, etc. all good with that
- What about running a "store" and paying a bit more markup to have access to that stuff?
Something to look into
Vending machine credits (Carter) - slip of paper with the credit amount on it to Mr. Chan at the end of the day.

Next Meeting

Meeting Adjourn – 8:02pm – Next meeting at November 17, 2021

