

HILLSIDE SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING 2023/2024

Tuesday May 7th, 2024

Call to order: 6:36p.m.

Attendance: Stephanie, Heather, Andre, Gillian, Amy, Josh, Alyssa

- Chair – Heather Sharp
 - Vice-Chair – Stephanie Stehr
 - Secretary – Alyssa Hudson
 - Treasurer – Jen Pearson
- 1. Review of the Agenda**
 - 2. Approval of the Minutes**
 - a. Motion to approve:
 - 3. Financial Report: Treasurer**
 - a. Financial Transactions / Status to date:
 - i. Current standing is \$7248.72
 - ii. In addition, \$567.15 (not including costs for Movie Night) bringing our total to \$7815.87
 - iii. This includes previous years and this year's \$500 School Council (\$1500)
 - iv. Missing in this is Art Cards for Kids
 - 4. Standing Business**
 - a. Movie Night – no profit, fewer families than last year but went well
 - b. Art Cards for Kids – not sure about profit yet, but the process was easy and we think we'd like to do it this year
 - 5. Principal's Report:**
 - a. Upcoming events
 1. Hats on for Mental Health – Kids to wear hats May 8th for mental health awareness
 - a. Mental Health Week Activities
 2. Muffins for Moms
 - a. Friday @8:00-8:30a.m. – Mom's can come in for a muffin and coffee
 3. 3D Soccer Tournament – fundraiser at Charles Spencer, Hillside is sending 4 teams of Gr 4-6
 4. Grade 6 tour of CPS
 5. Passion Blocks (May 24th) - Afternoon
 - b. Ed Planning (transitioning from current to new 3 Year Plan)
 - i. Thanks for the feedback – communication seems to be a great area of focus for next year
 - ii. Division Assurance Survey (how many parents) – about 50 parents have responded, which is on par (good) for what we typically get
 - c. YTP involvement in the school (transitioning students) – for kids transitioning from Jr. – Sr. High in Edmonton, looking on how to help kids transition from Hillside, Maude Clifford, and Crystal Park Elementary to Jr. High in Crystal Park

- d. Grade 6 PATs – Only writing grade 6 social PAT
 - e. Classroom Champions – Olympic Luge team (crystal Park’s Olympians) were in town and spoke to students (connecting social-emotional learning that we do in school to real world examples)
 - f. Staff and Students got a pizza lunch today
 - g. ISSP – heads from calgary came to tour the school, we will be sending another round of surveys soon, would still like more positive police presence here at the school
 - h. Heather moves that the school can do what they will with any profit movie night, Alyssa seconds, no opposition
6. Trustee’s Report: Andre Ouellette
- a. Wish list for our division:
 - i. Expansion of composite high school (85-90% full), room west for an expansion
 - ii. Expansion of Charles Spencer High School
 - iii. New school in Kensington
 - iv. Crystal Park School refresh
 - b. Workshop on Cell phones April 16th was well attended and well received
 - c. Minister of Education put out a survey to parents re: cell phone usage in schools
 - d. Vaping/smoking on school grounds is another concern. Zone 1 put forward a proposal that vaping/smoking not be allowed on school property
 - e. Gr. 9 Student from our division honouring spirit award recipient – Paige Abacon
 - f. Edwin Parr nominee – Riverstone teacher; Friends of Education nominee – United Way
 - g. Edwin Parr and Friends of Education ceremony will be held in Grande Prairie this year
 - h. Kindergarten enrollment – 80%, KinderPAL enrollment is exceeding last year so far
 - i. Some summer courses and collegiate learning opportunities to come available in 2025
 - j. 2025 - Hired 18.8 FT teachers in addition to what we had previously (some teachers are coming from other divisions)
 - k. School Council meeting last Thursday – talk on dress code
7. New Business
- a. Wrap up meeting/dinner spot
 - i. Jeffrey’s – June 11th
8. Next Meeting – June 11th
9. 3 Takeaways
- a. Passion Blocks – May 24th
 - b. ISSP Surveys are coming out – please participate
 - c. Fun Filled Friday – Muffins for Moms, 3D Soccer Tournament, Spirit Wear Day



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Meeting Adjourned: 7:20pm