

Forest Green School: School Council Meeting

November 7 @6:30 PM in-person

Attendees

Leah Andrews (Principal), Miranda Niebergall (Assistant Principal), Nicole Beliveau (Library Tech and Secretary), Paul McCann (Trustee), Keri Labrenz, Cindy Owles, Sarah Kaufmann, Brianne Ward.

Minutes

1.0 Call to Order: by Keri at 6:30pm

2.0 Approval of the Agenda

- Motioned by Sarah
- Seconded by Brianna

2.1 Adoption of Sept 2023 minutes

- Moved by Cindy
- Seconded by Sarah

2.2 Welcome and Introductions

3.0 Teacher Report

- A slideshow presented by Mrs. McKenzie's grade ¾ class demonstrating their learning experience at Forest Green over the last two months.

4.0 Chair's Report

- Stakeholder engagement on Nov. 22
- COSC is December 5 at CFE, and Liz will attend.

5.0 Fundraising report

- Halloween dance and apparel were successful
- Christmas concert fundraiser is coming. (Bake sale, 50/50, raffles, VIP seating)
- Voted to fund the Christmas shop this year.
- The hot lunch program is successful. School council is enjoying the leadership students that are supporting at lunch.
- Upcoming: Oil Kings choir performance in February. Sell tickets in January.

6.0 Principal's Report

- Welcome a new EA: Mrs. Norrish joined us in grade 5.
- The division focus this year is to bring awareness to chronic absences and the risk of learning loss in school. (I.e: Two absences per month equates to a 10 percent loss in instruction and learning opportunities.)
- The Book Fair was a success. \$6000 in sales.
- Indigenous ways of knowing: Students were awarded a golden ticket and a free book from the book fair for demonstrating the Sacred Teaching of the Month- The Turtle: Truth.
- Numeracy: Tier three intervention (pull-out) for gr. 3-6 started this month.
- 5 new flag poles have been installed.
- I wish: Parent question- why isn't PowerSchool being updated regularly? Discussion: How can we provide meaningful feedback for grades k-3 in the gradebook?

7.0 Board Report

- Nov. 22 Stakeholder engagement meeting at the new Westview School. Parents should have received an email to complete the survey. School council members are encouraged to attend to have their voices heard and to contribute to our planning process.
- IUOE Union contract renewed. (Caretaking staff, maintenance, and facilities including over 100 members voted to support the renewal.)
- ATA and CAAMSE Union negotiations will occur in the coming months.
- PATs testing has been released. Parents are encouraged to access the provincial academic data online.
- French immersion is an area of concern. Results are low in comparison to the rest of the province.
- Div. office is discussing releasing the school calendar earlier in the year. A survey will circulate to offer parent input. Fall break will remain a five-day break going forward.

8.0 Adjournment: 7:10 pm

The next meeting is December 12 @ 1:00 PM the Learning Commons (Library)

Approval of Meeting Minutes:



Chairperson

Dec 6, 2023

Date



School Principal

Nov. 8, 2023

Date