

Ecole Regent Park - Parent Advisory Council Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, January 18, 2022

Attendance:

Corinne Wyatt – President

Becky Clarke – Vice President

Heather Fleming – Secretary

Michelle Ritsema - Treasurer

Lucia Grande – Principal

Chris Coppinger – Vice Principal

Patricia Pare

Carlynn Bryga

Sarah Thiessen

Tracey Ginter

Lisa Kocis

Amber Hill

1. **Call to order/Welcome:** Call to order by Corinne at 6:31 pm

2. **Approval of Agenda** – Patricia

3. **Review and adoption of minutes** –

Motion to adopt minutes – Michelle

Seconded by –Patricia

4. **Chair Report** – nothing to report

5. **Vice Chair Report** – Nothing to report

6. **Principal Report** – Lucia Grande

Highlights at ERP

- New directives from Public Health were sent to families on Jan. 17th. We will be providing weekly attendance records- each Friday (absenteeism percentage and confirmed covid cases). Public Health is no longer doing contact tracing.
- Staff PD over the last few months has focused on 2SLGBTQ+. We are learning to ensure that our school is inclusive and safe for all.
- We have placed together 2-week Mindfulness activities- school wide. We have used the WEMATTER campaign and journal writing as the focus.
- We continue to focus in on the Circle of Courage, and our next school wide assembly via teams will be around RESPONSIBILITY.
- Guided Reading in grade 4 ELA has started. Focused reading intervention to assist in building literacy skills and promoting active reading and enjoyment. We will then focus our attention on the French Language for an additional 6 weeks. Literacy workers (university students) have been hired to assist.
- We will be celebrating I LOVE TO READ MONTH in February.
- We will be celebrating Festival du Voyageur with activities planned by our staff during the week of Feb. 22nd to Feb. 24th.
- We will be engaged in learning activities around PINK DAY- JOURNÉE ROSE on Feb. 24th.
- Information session for grade 3 families entering grade 4 next school year is scheduled for Feb. 28th.
- As per the conversation a few years ago, school board trustees are looking at changing the school boundaries to balance school populations in the French Immersion Schools. More information will be distributed soon, as ERP is still enroute in becoming a K-8 school.
- ERP is in the process of looking at renovations to the school starting this year. This is exciting news. More details to follow.

Dates to remember:

- Feb. 4th and Feb. 7th, no school (PD days)
- March 23rd- Expo evening- Celebration of learning term 2
- Spring Break- March 28th to April 3rd.

7. **Vice Principal Report** – nothing to report

8. **Secretary Report** – nothing to report

9. **PAC Fundraising report** – nothing to report

10. **Playground Report** – Given by Becky Clarke

The Raffle is going ahead. An email to be sent tomorrow with Raffle information to parents. Tickets to be sent home with students this week. Tickets are \$10 each, each family to receive 20 tickets, more available upon request. Raffle will be drawn on February 14th at 4:00pm at the school.

11. **Lunch Program report** – Given by Chris Coppinger.

Program is going well. Always open to game donations for indoor recesses. A new lunch coordinator has been hired. All the snow has given the kids lots to do outside.

12. **Treasurer's report** – Given by Michelle Ritsema

Main account: \$942.40

The PC gift card fundraiser raised \$5849.75

Playground account: \$3400.00 with \$5000.00 cheque to be deposited

13. **Old Business:**

- Constitution and By-Laws – no update currently, Corrinne to follow up with Chris Peterson to see if anything has moved forward.

14. **New Business:** no new business

15. Motion to accept all reports

Motion by: Carlyn

Seconded by: Patricia

16. **Meeting Adjourned:** 7:14pm

17. **Next Meeting:** February 15th, 2022 @ 6:30 pm.