

Christina Gordon School Council- Jan 13th 2021

Location: Google Meet

Time: 7:30pm

Attendees: Richard Thorne, James Sedgwick, Christine White, Karla Power, Ian Barr, Jenn Hoilund, Charlotte Van Driesten, Megan Skinner, Tanya Dover

Welcome by Meeting Chair-Christine White

Great turn out again thank you to everyone for joining tonight!

Online learning week survey results haven't come in yet, word from the district is looking good.

Members were invited to share comments on the subject. Comments were very positive and encouraging!

Principals Report -Mr. Thorne

The whole year has been about adapting. We had our first COVID class shut down in the first week of December. Lessons were learned, and we now know much more going forward.

FMPSD has reported only one in person transmission in a FMPSD school. Which means transmission is coming in from community spread. We have to prioritize a safe environment and keeping strong. It's not time to ease up, but rather stay the course.

Feb 10th and 11th- Parent Teacher Interviews.

Accountability Pillar Summary- Richard Thorne

We will skim through it this meeting, but take it and read it and we will answer questions on the next meeting.

Provincially this survey is only taken by Grades 4, 7, and 10. So ours is only a slice from the 4th grade. The response rate is amazing, and something to be proud of. Of the grade four parents, we had 42 that participated.

The colours make it useful to see the difference from 2019 to 2020.

Parent involvement is important for our school council!

Next step is to ask for staff then parent input. This will help us with our school improvement plan for the next year.

The stats from this document will be shared with parents in the school growth plan which will include our changes and explanations.

This document will be posted to the public on the school website.

Last year we posted a "quilt" of this information that highlights the amazing things we are achieving!

Facebook posts could also be a viable option!

Inclusion Committee Update- Karla Power  
Meeting was held Dec 10th 2020

Last week we received a \$5000 donation from Enbridge Pipelines, bringing our total to \$73,200!  
Please if you know anyone who would be interested in donating just send the name to Karla!

YMM magazine will be interviewing Karla and Richard tomorrow on the new inclusive playground.

A special days calendar was posted for families to recognize the different types of inclusion.

Richard - In efforts to streamline the process of staff requested purchases, the parent council and the fundraising committee, we would like to start a wish list. Staff would be able to add items, which would then be prioritized and approved by the appropriate committees. Template for a wish list will be going around to staff shortly.  
Starting with core boards for classrooms from our Speech Pathology.

Next Meeting will be held January 21st at 7:30. Everyone is welcome, just email Karla for the link.

Fundraising Committee -Jennifer Hoilund  
Meeting was held on Dec 1st 2020

They loved the wish list as it allows for clear communication of goals for the committee.

A multicultural cookbook will be in the works. Taking suggestions for local printing for these cook books!

Casino is still a go! If they open before the end of March. Our last casino day was \$36,000. So it's a very important fundraiser.

\$1485 was raised by Art Card by Kids! It was a hit!

Next meeting will be held Feb 17th at 6:30. We would love to host a combined meeting with the council!

Round Table

Feb 8th 2021 is the next Joint Network Committee meeting, anyone is welcome to join. Please reach out to Christine, Karla or Richard for the link.

#### Next Meeting

Suggested date: Feb 17th as a joint meeting with the fundraising committee.

Time: FC6:30 into SC 7:30pm

#### Agenda Items

- Accountability Pillar Survey
- Facebook account for School Council
- Approval of last meeting minutes.

Meeting adjourned at 8:58pm