

Christina Gordon School Council

Meeting Date: February 8th, 2021 7:30 pm

Meeting chaired by: Amanda Hawkins

Minutes recorded by: Charlotte Van Driesten

Agenda: Kashlea Budgell

Attendees: Richard Thorne, James Sedgwick, Amanda Hawkins, Charlotte Van Driesten, Carla Power, Jilliane Proudfoot, Barabara Rex

Item	Topic	Owner
1	Welcome, housekeeping and introductions Meeting called to order @ 7:31	Amanda Hawkins
2	Review/ approval of previous meeting minutes Motion by: Amanda Hawkins Seconded by: Everyone Minutes Approved	Amanda Hawkins
3	Principal's Report	Rick Thorne
	FMPSD Thought Exchange A tool that the division has adopted since last year to provide parent feedback to the administrators. Looking for more responses as the numbers are low. They are looking for feedback as they prepare the budget for next year.	
	FMPSD budget overview The general budget allocation is based on a 3 year average. Which is hard on a growing division such as ours. So resources are scarce. More information can be found on the FMPSD website.	
	AEA survey for 2022 Accountability Pillar from 2021 was circulated in the last meeting. Grade 4, grade 4 Parents and teaching staff. Our school has over 50% completion from our grade 4 parents, which is amazing! Please encourage our grade 4 parents to complete this survey!	

Summary of results for AEA 2021 (distributed last meeting)

Please take a few moments to read over this summary and any and all feedback is welcome!
Kashlea has set up a CG School Council shared folder, perhaps we can ask her to pin this summary in there. We are very proud of our results, but we use the criticism to move us forward.

Staffing challenges in January / February
The last month worth of time has been very
challenging in terms of staffing. ATA and CUPE have
both had many staff out. It was tough but we
thankfully weren't hit too bad. But we still struggled,
last Friday we had 230 students away.

We have changed the dates for parent teacher interviews, they will now be after our report cards on the 30th and 31st of March.

The announcement from the premier this evening will bring many changes. The division meets this week to discuss our mandates. We are going to be cautious moving forward. We can look at a few events to round out our year!

Registrations have opened for next year. Please encourage new registrations to get it in quickly!

4 Inclusion Advisory Committee Meeting Report

We hosted an invitational on Jan 12th and we had 6 new people show up! We discussed what we are up to and how our meetings run. We would like to host one in the future.

Playground update, we received communication from the RMWB. They received 1 bid that was over budget. The representative was confident in this bid and is capable of getting this to go through. She also asked about the other parks within the municipality which means the ripple is happening, which is amazing! The project should be completed by September 2022. Rick added that two portable additions that will be added to our school and that the two projects are working together.

Inclusion talks for each class are being picked back up as staffing issues had hampered them. Students have been writing to the mayor about the loose rubber on our playgrounds. We also did a rainbow wall with words of encouragement. Karla Power

	The students have also created inclusion posters, which are amazing and we are working with the fundraising committee. Barbara from fundraising added that we have quotes back on printing these posters for not only our school but other schools, or businesses in the community! Next meeting Feb 16th at 7:30pm	
5	Fundraising Committee Update A teacher survey has been sent out to get feedback from them about how the funds are used. Char brought forward a wellness presentation for the teachers during teachers convention week. Jody & Court presented at the LRSD teachers convention on "Taking Back Your Story" an inspirational and exciting presentation for teachers that could be used during their wellness hours that week n Hot lunch has been paused for the year. Popcorn and Pizza Friday's are being worked on. Hopefully we can get these rolling asap. Literally resource sharing is coming up with a deadline of Feb 25th. Parents will be able to donate pre loved books to the school. We bought 4 plasma cars and they are coming in next week. Rick, Karla, and the Triple I will be working to get a wish list to us. Magnets and posters are being worked on with the inclusion committee! We are very excited about this partnership. Up coming fundraiser include M&M Meats Day and a 50/50 raffle. Karla suggested "Soap Much Love" as it was a huge hit with her children's school!	Amanda Hawkins and Charlotte Van Driesten
	Our next Meeting is Feb 23rd at 8pm	
6	Discussion/Brainstorm ways for parents to get more involved in the school events. Introduction of new project for families.	Jillaine Proudfoot

	We are in a bit of a waiting game until we know how the district plans to move forward with less restrictions from the government. We love having families in the school and want very badly to bring these back. Clubs were also huge and will be great to have back. We would love to see our family nights back. And encourage anyone to bring your ideas to the next meeting. Virtual tour was suggested as being something that could be a starting point for parents as many have not seen the inside of the building! ECDP may have some that can be shared!	
7	Agenda items for next meeting: None brought forward. Please email Kashlea if you have any.	Amanda Hawkins
10	Next meeting date: March 9th at 7pm	Amanda Hawkins