

Christina Gordon Inclusion Advisory Committee - Minutes

November 22nd, 2022 - 7:30 pm

1.0 Attendees: Karla Power James Sedgwick Gillian Holloway

Kali MacDonald Jessica Kenney

Apologies: Kim Lemay Marcie Falloon Cagney Edwards

Andrea MacPherson Mary-Lynne Luco Sandra Gomez

Rebecca Canning Cara Payne

2.0 Called meeting to order: 7:30pm

3.0 Meeting chaired by: Karla Power

4.0 Minutes recorded by: Jessica Kenney

5.0 Introductions

6.0 Old Business

6.1 Inclusion Fair-overall thoughts? feedback for next time?

- Overall a success; worth having
- Vendors were impressed and were networking
- Parents / Student teachers attended
- Student Leaders were very helpful

For next time:

- Trick or Treat at booths for the kids (perhaps a practice trick or treat area, have AAC lanyards made)
- Pre-order inclusive books through book fair
- Start an hour later (11am)
- More advertising in the community
- Our own swag bags



- Sensory and gross motor areas for kids attending
- Repeat yearly, not every 6 months
- Connect with Melanie Galea again from Remax
- Send invite via ATA
- Aim for weekend before Hallowe'en
- Invite ASL teachers

6.2 Special Days Calendar:

Dec. 3rd-International Day of Persons with Disability

 Regional inclusive committee is showing the movie Wonder this month at the library -Karla to handle Facebook Post for this

6.3 Inclusive Classroom Challenge

Couple of teachers have submitted pictures, but most are really busy with report cards and there's been a lot of illness. Karla has been taking pictures of ASL signs and wall visuals. Overall not a big success. Hoping to have more buy in next year by having an Inclusive Elf visit classes and give them ballots.

7.0 New Business

- **7.1 Sensory Saturday** wait until the January meeting to discuss.
- 7.2 Sensory Sing-along Saturday, December 17. Two sign ups: 10:30-11:00 &
- 11:15-11:45. 20 people max in the music room.

7.3 Fundraiser for our Triple I program -

- Triple I does not receive any funds for resources; it comes out of the school budget.
- Can we ask the fundraising committee for funds for more sensory tools and toys?
 As they are considered non consumable, we may be able to ask for casino funds for this.
- Karla will bring this up at the next Council meeting.
- We want to have our own fundraiser for Valentine's Day via Smencil grams. We could ask the fundraising committee to buy the Smencils and we could keep the profits for resources.

- We need to consult Cara about what's needed the most: safe space seating, safety locks, visual clocks.
- **7.4 Hoop Heroes Inclusive Basketball** Hosted by Frank Power. Takes place at Timberlea school on Tuesdays over 5 weeks in March . They will be 45 minute sessions: 5-11 year olds (5:00-5:45) & 12-18 (6:00-6:45). Low cost. Keyano college players to possibly volunteer so it's hands off for parents.
- **7.5 ASL Flash Mob** December 23rd at Peter Pond Mall around 11AM (This Little Light of Mine). This may have to wait until next year, as everyone has a lot on their plates right now.
- 8.0 Kudos for what's going well
- 9.0 Agenda items for next meeting
 - Sensory Saturday
 - Inclusive resource wishlist
 - Smencil fundraiser further discussion & planning
- 10.0 Next Board Meeting: January 17, 2023
- **11.0** Meeting adjourned: 8:17pm