

W. Erskine Johnston Public School Parent Council Meeting Minutes

Location: Video Conference (Google Meet)

Date: October 12, 2021

Attendees

Regrets

Nupur Chakravorty Co-Chair

Sutha Manik Co-Chair

Arya Balachandran Secretary

Saami Hamid Treasurer

Vijay Mishra Lunch Coordinator

Li Yifan Voting Member

Mark Schenk Principal

Sean Davidson Vice Principal

1.1 Meeting Opening

Nupur called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone.

1.2 Agenda

Agenda was approved.

1.3 Financial Update

- 1.3.1 Year End Report was presented by Nupur
- 1.3.2 Year 2020-2021 financials were discussed

1.4 Parent Council Election

1.4.1 The 2020-2021 Executive Committee was dissolved, and a new executive committee was elected for 2021-2022

Nupur Chakravorty Co-Chair Sutha Manik Co-Chair Arya Balachandran Secretary Saami Hamid Treasurer

Vijay Mishra Lunch Coordinator Li Yifan Member at Large

1.5 Principal/Teacher Update

- 1.5.1 The Principal provided a brief background on his experience. He has been in administration for 20years. He was a vice principal for 12 years and held a position of a principal for 10 years. He worked with Sean Davidson in Barrhaven Public School.
- 1.5.2 Principle provided the following update:

September/October activities included:

- A. Kids and staff are comfortable with COVID protocols that are put in place.
- B. Around 600 students are currently attending school in-person and the majority of the staff have returned back to in-person teaching.
- C. The school is following the school board and ministry guidelines similar to last year including cohorting, sanitizing, avoiding lockers etc.
- D. School is waiting for the return of technology that was borrowed last year. Some percentage of the community have travelled internationally and hence it is a bit hard. majority of the technology has been returned.
- E. School organized the Terry Fox run and was organized differently to keep the community safe. \$500 in donations was raised for this cause.
- F. One of the big events organized was the national day for Truth and Reconciliation. Staff and kids wore orange shirts.
- G. School is encouraging learning outdoors. 3 kindergarten tables are installed.

1.6 Update on Activities of Council

- 1.6.1 Council will look into JoJo pizza fundraising activities.
- 1.6.2 School will confirm items which would require council support.

1.7 Meeting adjourned around 8:00pm.