

## École Montrose School Council

# Meeting Minutes

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**20 APRIL 2022 / 7:00 PM / Hybrid**

### ATTENDEES

In person: Heidi George(Vice-Chair), Maxine Herbert, Andrea Couture(Principal),  
Andrea W

Zoom: Joanne Peters, Johanne Kemp, Allison Hill(Secretary)

### MINUTES

1. **Call to Order** - 7:04 PM by Heidi
2. **Welcome & Introductions**; Quorum verified
3. **Review & Approval of Agenda**
  - a. MOTION to approve agenda - Andrea W, seconded - Mxine
4. **Review & Approval of Minutes**
  - a. MOTION to approve - Andrea W; seconded - Joanne P
5. **Standing Items**
  - a. Chair Report
    - i. Walkathon - happening Friday, May 27th. More information, included sponsor letter for prizes/donations, will be available soon
    - ii. Attended May 5th Board Trustee Liasion Meeting
  - b. ASCA update
    - i. Several great workshops put on by ASCA recently - topics included sensory kids, curriculum, effective school councils, and school council plan
    - ii. Heidi attended the Social Media Workshop ~ lots of great ideas & suggestions for engaging parents via social media
  - c. Trustee's Report - N/A, unable to attend
  - d. Principal's Report
    - i. Grade 5's writing the DELF exam
    - ii. May 2 & 3 -> Visual artist Lewis Lavoie at the school working with all students on a mural project that represents the school's values, beliefs, & cultures. Each student received a tile that they were able to decorate in their own unique way
    - iii. Current social/emotional learning topic is humility
    - iv. Tri-District Hockey/Soccer tournament happening first weekend in May

- v. School is hosting an Indigenous Storyteller May 17th & 18th & will be spending an hour with each grade
- vi. Leadership Club events:
  - 1. May 6th - Family Movie Night
  - 2. May 7th - Bottle Drive
  - 3. May 13th - Family Carnival
  - 4. Thursday Afterschool Club
- vii. Rotary Excellence in Education nominee for this year is Allison Hill

## 6. Old Business

- a. School Results Report (continued from previous meetings)
  - i. Reviewed results related to instruction of basic math facts
  - ii. Percentage of students achieving grade level outcomes in numeracy based on MIPI testing is comparable to overall district results (28% EM vs 29% GPPSD) with 61% of students achieving grade level outcomes in basic facts
  - iii. Focus on basic math facts, more specifically number properties, is a focus of the school over the next 3 years with a goal of reaching 70% in basic facts and 40% overall MIPI results. Will be focusing on professional development activities for staff in this area which should then have a direct effect on student success.

**QUESTION:** How can parents best help their children when the new curriculum is introduced? Potential ideas are to hold parent evenings focusing on different topics in the new curriculum (math, literacy, etc)

## 7. New Business

- a. \$500 Grant - idea to host a parent evening to support your child's French Immersion when French isn't spoken at home. Will look at end of May for this event. Andrea mentioned that the public library has lots of french resources (books, games) available ~ will look at also hosting a parent night at the library so they can see what all is available
- b. School Fees
  - i. Request from admin to set a maximum price of \$8 for the agendas grade 1 & 2 students receive. Parents will only be charged the actual price but setting a maximum price means School Council doesn't need to be consulted again on future price increases until the exceed \$8.

8. **Round Table** - nothing

9. **Next meeting** - Wednesday, May 18th at 7 pm, Ecole Montrose Library

10. **Meeting Adjourned** - 8:09 pm