

École Montrose School Council Meeting Minutes
Wednesday November 20, 2019 at 6:30 pm
École Montrose Library

Meeting Chair: *Dawn Moffat-McMaster*

Recorder: *Allison Hill*

Attendance: *Allison Hill, Maxine Herbert, Dawn Moffat McMaster, Corry Harper, Jane Usunier, Alia Bearisto, Sara Bawol, Joanne Peters, Paul Therrien (Principal)*

1. Call to Order and Introductions: *6:35 pm*
2. Review and Approval of Agenda: *Motioned to accept by Corry*
3. Review and Approval of past meeting minutes: *Motioned to approve by Corry*
4. Standing Items
 - a. *Trustee's Report*
 - i. Update from Liasion Meeting
 1. Discussed school reports
 2. Nutrition Policy
 3. Fundraising & activities
 4. Volleyball shorts -> issues with style of shorts being worn from some parents & coaches
 5. Social media usage
 - ii. Choice in Education -> survey geared towards obtaining feedback on charter & private schools
 - iii. Development of a district policy on vaping
 - iv. Budget -> no additional money for schools; advocacy re insurance rates schools are paying (some are seeing very high insurance increases due to rate cap no longer being in effect)
 - b. *Principal's Report*
 - i. Christmas Concerts: Tuesday, December 17th (Grades 5 to 8) & Wednesday, December 18th (PreK to Grade 4)
 - ii. Wellness Club
 1. As of today, have 58 Grade 5 & 6 students signed up that attend one day/week
 2. Grade 4's are up next for the opportunity to join
 - iii. Education Plan results
 1. Comparison of a school's PAT results to the rest of the province
 2. PAT is ultimately a reading assessment so doesn't matter if the student does well in science, social, etc it ultimately comes down to reading and comprehension on the PAT

3. Discussion at Friday's PLD day on how to improve student achievement
- c. *Chair report*
 - i. Unable to attend liaison meeting
 - ii. Signed up for ASCA engagement session on November 23rd
 - iii. Request from ACSA regarding vaping:
 1. Discussion at school council? No
 2. Is school council aware of resources? Some
 - iv. Please complete the choice in education survey
5. Old Business
 - a. Nothing to report
6. New business
 - a. How to increase engagement of school community in school council
 - i. Will have hot dogs available by donation during PTI's
 - ii. Hand out Candy Canes with a link to the Facebook group after Christmas concerts
7. Round Table
 - a. Nothing to report
8. Next meeting date: Wednesday, January 22, 2019
9. Meeting adjourned at 7:53 pm