

Meeting Minutes

18 Sep 2024 École Montrose following AGM

1. Call to Order Dustin 7:20
2. Welcome & Introductions Dustin (chair), Salene (co-chair), Matt (principal), Lynn(vice principal), Stephanie (vice principal), Valerie (secretary), Tanya, Jason, Shanna, Shanda, Corbin, Julian (parents)
3. Review & Approval of Agenda- motion Corbin second Tanya
4. Review & Approval of May 2024 Minutes- motion Corbin second Tanya
5. Standing Reports
 - a. Chair Report
 - i. We now no longer include a round table portion in our meetings in order to respect everyone's time. Future meeting agenda items can be submitted to the school council email, the principal, or member of the School council one week or more in advance. This also gives time to gather information for answers prior to the meeting. Email address to be added to Facebook page and school website. Information can also go out in communications from school/teachers.
 - ii. from workshop- engagement doesn't need lots of people at the meetings for engagement; (just need to meet quorum). Engagement comes from: us reaching out and talking to people in the community itself, presence during events to get input from people (not for recruitment).
 1. As a council we should meet people where they are, e.g. PTI, pay days, assembly, art night.
 - iii. Display board- with pictures of council members and member volunteer time. Get digital photos during picture day (FOM and EMSC members all agreeable). Get leadership class/club to make boards
 - b. Trustee Report- not present; usually comes after the first meeting of the year
 - c. Principal Report
 - i. Thanks for the warm welcome.
 - ii. Meet the teacher- 1st night pre-k and kindergarten 80-90% of kids; 2nd day good turn out, not counted.
 - iii. staffing- Mme Renee Trepanier is on maternity leave, welcome Jackie Benning for phys. ed. from Peace Wapiti, also a parent.
 - iv. Working through details to add an elder to our staff, in addition to our Indigenous Liaison.
 - v. Population- 650 kids. Still have a job posting to add a 3rd grade 3 class. has been posted since may as 0.5 and last 3 weeks as 1.0. looking at options
 - vi. New- Montrose Mandates - Positive Behaviour Supports.

1. focus on structure and process with staff and kids. English and french posters throughout school with expectations in the hallways, classrooms and exit/entry. Hanging in classes. This is complementary to the code of conduct.
- vii. National Day for Truth and Reconciliation assembly time to be determined. All assemblies are open to parents. The school is working on a tree each where each leaf is made by a student to say what reconciliation means to them. Ask that kids don't wear hat at the assembly.
 - viii. 3 year plan- responsive planning to supports meeting the needs of all learners. Will be finalized end of September. 3 areas of focus:
 1. Outcome: Responsive planning supports meeting the needs of all learners
 2. Outcome: Developing, and applying First Nation, Métis and Inuit foundational knowledge with staff and students.
 3. Outcome: The emotional, physical, and mental health of all students and staff is supported.
 - ix. Volleyball running for jr high; 2 girl and 2 boy teams all students who tried out were able to join. Thank you to the coaches. Tournament coming up
 - x. Fun run this week saturday PK-6 - Legion Field - 8:30 - 10:30 am.
 - xi. Tomorrow is the first Terry Fox run in a number of years. We have already raised \$1700 dollars just ECM and lots of volunteers and leadership. Friendly bet with Isabel Campbell school; decorating Isabel Campbell with blue and green. Parents welcome to join event.
 - xii. All meetings will be posted to the website. The secretary will share the meeting minutes as a PDF to the principal and vice principals.
- d. Vice Principal Report
- i. (Stephanie) Run club has started, cross country run grades 5-8. Coaches are Stephanie Murphy, Lynne Goosney, Jackie Benning, Kirsten Nppibul. Practice after school on thursdays. We are lucky to be able to utilize South Bear Creek trails. Our first practice had 53 students. RUn with the Wolves, Northwestern Polytechnic event, next wednesday. 38 students, 2k g5-6 and 4k g7-8
 - ii. intervention program- students are assessed with government assessments for numeracy and literacy. The students identified at risk spend one on one time 20 minutes daily in grade k,1,2, on french, and grande 3 french or english. 2 new interventionists. After 6-8 weeks (up to 16) students switch. This program has been ongoing since COVID; still funded to keep meeting those needs.
 - iii. (Lynn) 4 new teachers this year, 3 are 1st year teachers. We have supportives planning and mentorship with teachers at the school and new staff orientation for teachers and education assistants.
 - iv. Supporting the nutrition division- providing lunches. Tools for school nominate kids to get supplies for the school year; a parent donated to supplement the school funded supplies.
 - v. Grade 4-7 students assessed this week and next week with the Elk island catholic school assessment (2nd year) for mathematics. Tested on previous grades to identify gaps before moving onto the new curriculum. Now the new curriculum is fully in swing. Targeted at specific areas where kids seem to struggle the most. Teachers who implemented the new

curriculum early the students tested much better. It is expected to take 3-5 years to get students caught up.

- vi. Grade 4-7 math and reading assessments (French and English) are done at the beginning of the school year, to help kids to get at grade level; end of the - coordinated assessment document (GPPSD website) heavy k-1 different assessments done differently; usually 1 on 1. This year Mme Kirsten helped with the classrooms to teach while the classroom teacher met with students one on one. most are completed; should be done by the 25th.
- vii. Individual communication goes out to parents who are needing additional support or doing well but the specific assessment scores do not go out unless asked.

6. Old Business

- a. The slide in the back playground is not yet repaired. A representative from Blue Imp is coming. Same crew as the one building the gazebo.

7. New Business

- a. suggestion to add to agenda for next time to review- bullying policies
- b. and student council- to invite to our meetings
- c. Cell phone use- no electronic devices during instructional time. has not been an issue so far. Similar to previous k-8. direction will come on Jan 1st.
- d. motion to accept Corbin, 2nd Tanya

8. Next meeting date Oct 16, 2024

9. Adjournment 8:09 pm