

## **Mutchmor School Council Minutes**

### **June 16, 2021**

In attendance: Sheri Segal Glick, Elizabeth Nicholds, Sandra Walker, Alisa Visner, Rob G., Kiersten Love.

Sheri welcomes everyone to meeting called to order at 7:04pm

Motion to approve the minutes and agenda - Kier approves the minutes and the agenda. Sheri seconds the approval.

**Principals Report (Sandra Walker):** School has a number of retirements. Library tech, Marie Pierre, Anita, Colin Walker and Mme Viviane. Hopefully positions will be filled by June. Library position should be filled by September

3PD days (September 3rd, 7th, 8th) start off the school year. Staff start on the 3rd of September. Students start on the 9th. September 13th everyone is at school. Kindergarteners are a staggered start. Intake interviews for the kindergarten kids are the 8th and 9th with their first day of school starting on the 13th or 14th.

Board has announced next week, June 24/25, as asynchronous learning days. Computers will be returned those days. Message from the board is to get the kids off the tech.

Teachers are in the process of getting report cards done. Report Cards will all be emailed this year.

If computers are damaged, who is responsible? Boards held back funds for computers that needed to be replaced. Computers run on a 4 year cycle. School determines how many computers need to be replaced this year. We are allowed to fundraise to buy more tech if that is appropriate for our school. Board picks where the computers are purchased.

**Traffic Committee (Elspeth):** Traffic Committee will send out a traffic survey to parents and teachers.

**Co-chair update (Sheri Segal Glick):** Need a volunteer for Engagement Coordinator (membership toolkit). Discussion about how to engage parents. Maybe set up a volunteer booth. Target the kindergarten parents to volunteer. Communication to the kinder parents will include positions needed throughout the year. Wording needs include the school needs your help and doesn't run without your help. Give parents a form of what positions or how they can volunteer.

First week of school council will have a coffee booth, following OPH guidelines, to engage parents to sign up for committees and positions needed throughout the year.

If parents are uncomfortable meeting in the staff room, meetings could be run out of a larger classroom.

Other positions needed include OCASC, Secretary, Funfair positions.

**Paul Davis** - Feedback includes the link to his facebook. Paul will be redoing the presentation sometime this summer. Decided it was worth hearing.

**Playground update** - Sheri is working with other school councils to determine how they have had best results with the board paying for the installation of astroturf. We will now be working towards the installation of astroturf with the board paying.

**School update (Alisa Viner)** - Special leaving ceremony for the grade 6 students. Teachers will be presenting a parting gift for the students and have prepared a video of the graduates. Teachers have been working very hard on the graduation ceremony, they want it to be a special sendoff.

All grades will be invited in to say goodbye to teachers and collect items, return the tech.

Some of the classes are raising caterpillars and watching via video as they turn into butterflies. Videos have been shared to the students. Videos also showed butterflies being released. Teachers have been very inventive with the students.

**Community Rep (Rob G.)** - Wants to do more and doesn't know what to do! We will have a fundraiser plan finalized by August 1st showing what we need to accomplish for next year. He has graciously agreed to be community rep for another year.

Sheri mentioned Thea Wong had some great ideas for fundraising. Brought in people who were unexpected. Brought in and engaged people that they weren't expecting. Community building fun events. Further details to be discussed.

**OCASC (Colin B.)** - email from Colin attached.

**Treasurer's Report (Kate Binnie)** - nothing to report

**Outreach (Kiersten Love)** - Nothing happening. Will be preparing the grant proposal from Whole Foods for the Education Foundation.

Motion to end the meeting at 7:34. Approved by Mel Love