

Summerside School Council - Wednesday, April 17, 2022 via Google Meet

In Attendance: Andrea Gordon, Eunice Park (Student Representative), Jenna Robertson, Jenna AuCoin, Melissa Humphries, Rebecca Ryan, Sarah Ahmed, Stacey Downing, Becky Stanisic, Sui Ling Lee, Bobby Chauhan, Kailey Satta, Erica Roy, Jeff Matthews, Crystal-Lee Savage, Dahlia Maxwell, Chatura Prematunge

Approval of Agenda and Minutes

Student Representative Update

- Students are happy that more covid restrictions are disappearing
- The whole school is out at the same time for recess - zones and cohorting have been dropped
- Back to wearing masks indoors
- Last week we celebrated pink shirt day
- Having X-Movement in the school Thursday and Friday
- Earth day is Friday - have been spreading awareness. Encouraging students and staff to wear green and blue. Also sent home an Earth day bingo card. Students can complete the card and be entered into a prize draw
- Intramural volleyball game almost finished
- Bucket drumming and ukulele clubs ongoing

Teacher's Report

- Earth Day!
- X Movement workshops this week
- Volleyball intramurals finals in grade 7/8. Students had a great time ! Lots of excitement
- EFSS (Emotion Focused School Support) Emotional Coaching Workshop
- Bucket Drumming and Ukulele Clubs have started for intermediate students
- The Grade 1/2 class continues to create and design their "eco-village" in the classroom.
- We are learning about being "Earth Friendly" in Kindergarten!
- Intermediate students involved in making plans / schedules for recess activities
- Diversity club creating a welcome board at the school entrance
- Diversity club: Banners for major holidays ordered (eg. Ramadan Kareem, Eid, Diwali, etc). Will be posted in the entrance, close to the office when celebrations are underway
- Scientists in school for grade 7's May 2nd
- Ozobots ordered

Principal's Update (Rebecca Ryan)

- Mask mandates back in effect in OCDSB
- Big news - everyone is out on the yard at the same time
- Some students are observing Ramadan - we have the prayer room up and running. We also have spaces set up for students fasting during nutrition breaks
- Starting staffing and creating class lists for next year
- Parent input for classes was requested by last week
- Summerside has not been immune to staffing challenges and unfortunately some classes have had to be closed
- EQAO is right around the corner - anticipating information coming soon. It will all be done online with a paper pencil option. Waiting to get finer details starting in May for grade 3 and 6 students
- The Board is working on the results of the student climate survey - all classes at Summerside have completed
- Leaving ceremony -plans are underway. OCV will be included this year again. Anticipating an in-person ceremony with students being allowed 2 guests. Will explore a virtual component as well.

Treasurer's Report

- Treasurer Not at Meeting
- Last known balance of account was \$10,480
- Will be depositing Purdy's cheque for \$337.59

Long Term Playground Structure Update

- Meeting with Representative from OCDSB for structure this Friday at 10am
- Schedule planning meeting
- Embarking on fact finding process and bringing back to council

Fundraising

- \$337.59 was raised from Purdy's
- \$144 Flipgive
- Still waiting to hear about profit from Boston Pizza night
- We will explore a date in May for another Blitz night
- Ongoing fundraisers are Flipgive and Plantables
- Decided not to go ahead with pizza program for this year

Social Committee Team

- No newsletter went out last month but we might get one out for this month
- Possibly advertise to parents that council is planning to fundraise for play structure

Carson Grove

- A couple options to help them would be to help organize a career fair or a clothing drive. Still waiting to hear back from the school to see how we can best support them with these ideas

Tree Program

- Getting closer to trees being planted. Melissa will bring the topic of tree care from May-June back to staff.
- It is a possibility that the School Council will fund a water truck from the long-term funds that have been raised
- Costs for a water truck will be brought forward at a future meeting

New business

- PRO grant speaker series has been booked for Thursday, June 16th. The theme is Science Meets Art

Meeting adjourned at 8:15pm

Next meeting May 18th, 2022