

École Arbour Vista Public School
School Council Meeting Minutes
Thursday October 19, 2017 @ 6.45 pm, SchoolLibrary

Item	Talking Points
1.	<p>Guest Speaker: “Your First Choice” Stacy Cooper</p> <p>Upper Grand District School Board & Guelph & District Home Builders’ Association presentation - An information session on Skilled Trades and Youth Opportunities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Canada has a skilled trades deficit crisis - Skilled trades in demand: Bricklayer, carpenter, roofer, sheet metal worker, plumber, drywaller - Howdo we remove the stigma of the skilled trades? - Talkto children and students about future jobsand life skills - Residentialconstruction industry is the largest industry in Canada - SHSM stands for ‘Specialist High Skills Majors’ at the secondary level - Message: We want students, from young age, to consider taking tech and STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Math) courses in high school -Many pathways to choose from within UGDSB – artist, photographer, healthcare, construction, environmental science, sports specialists (invisible jobs)... - Massive funding by governmentto fill STEM and artificial intelligence jobs. - UGDSB – most successful board – higher capture rate compared to other boards - Gender should not decide what you want to do. Your interests should. - Biases about jobs are picked up by children from as young as 6 years old - Encourage through attitude to keep all the doors open. - Schools will help parents and students map their child’s journey in high-school (My Blueprint) - Higher graduation rate in tech stream than academic stream (possibly due to a little light at the end of the tunnel, higher marks, job opportunities and apprenticeships.) - Ministry spends about 1M dollars within the UGDSB on SpecialistHighSkillsMajors programs. - Your Future, Your Choice 2017: A one-stop career, education and community resource fair <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o November 15th from 6 pm – 8 pm at Centennial CVI, Guelph. Recommended to bring your children every year and have a conversation with them about life skills, future opportunities and having an open mind.
2.	<p>Approval of minutes Minutes approved by Brenda VanEsch and Rhonda Patton</p>
3.	<p>Principal’s Report</p> <p style="text-align: center;">École Arbour Vista Public School Council Principal’s Report - October, 2017</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. On September 28th Arbour Vista held its Terry Fox Run. The school raised \$515.00 for cancer research. 2. Once again this year M. Uger is soliciting pictures from parents for the school’s Remembrance Day assembly. His annual presentation respectfully honours those individuals, past or present, who have served or are serving with allied forces. Any parents who have a past or present relative who has served with allied forces and would

	<p>like him/her to be mentioned in our school's slideshow presentation is encouraged to email M. Uger at suger@ugcloud.ca</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3. On Friday, October 13th the school hosted two staff against the students football games. The staff played one game against the girls and one against the boys. It was a great afternoon as the entire school watched the games. A tremendous amount of school spirit was on display during this event! 4. The School Choir sang the national anthem at the Guelph Storm game on Friday, October 13th. The Choir did an admirable job of singing and they are to be commended on their outstanding efforts. Three-hundred and two tickets were purchased by Arbour Vista families for this event. 5. On October 12th and October 13th our Grade 6 students participated in Focus on Nature. This opportunity provided a full-day experience, with the focus on teaching basic visual design skills and nature appreciation in a dynamic, interactive format. Students were given the opportunity to practice what they learned, taking pictures of nature, at Jubilee Park and the school yard. They edited their own work and shared their best shots with the rest of the class in a slideshow at the end of the day. 6. M. Uger's Grade 6 class has organized a food drive for the Guelph Food Bank. The name of the food drive is We Scare Hunger. Students are encouraged to bring in non-perishable food items to support this venture. 7. Arbour Vista's Fresh From the Farm fundraiser raised \$598.00. This money will be used by the school to purchase school yard resources for the students. Parents will be notified of the Fresh From the Farm delivery date so they can plan their grocery shopping accordingly. 8. October 24th is Child Abuse Prevention Day. On this day, staff and students will be wearing purple as a way of collectively speaking up and sharing the message that child abuse and neglect can be prevented and that help is available.
4.	<p>New executive members:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sandra Heller – Treasurer • Amy Skeoch and Shanna Stevens – Fundraising co-chairs
5.	<p>Fundraising committee update:</p> <p>** Upcoming Event: Halloween Dance-a-thon is the biggest fundraiser. Tuesday - October 31 at Arbour Vista (Contact Elizabeth James)</p> <p>Schedule for Dance-a-thon:</p> <p>7:30-8:30 decorating the gym 8:35-8:55 - 2 Kindergarten Classes (56 Students) 9:00-9:20 - 2 Kindergarten Classes (56 Students) 9:25-9:45 - Grade's 1 and 1 /2 split class (60 Students) 10:00-10:45 Recess 10:50-11:10 - Grade 2's and 2 /3 split class (60 Students) 11:15-11:35 - Grade 3's (40 Students) 11:40-12:00 - Grade 4's (40 Students)</p>

	<p>12:05-12:25 - Grade 5's and 6's (66 Students) 12:25-1:10 Lunch 1:15-1:45 - Grade 7's (65 Students) 1:50-2:30 - Grade 8's (51 Students) 2:30-2:45 Clean up</p> <p>Future events: - Family Dinner Night – Thursday Feb 8th 2018 - Movie Night – March 29th, 2018 - Frozen Dessert days – TBD</p> <p>Other possible events: - Chucky Cheese Night – TBD - Customized student greeting cards - TBD (Contact: Sandrine Aebersold)</p>
6.	<p>Yard Greening Committee Update(Contact Amy Ross and Rhonda Patton)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Moving ahead with planting in outdoor classroom area - Long jump pit and one Sandbox to be installed - Shade sales ordered – poles to be installed but shades won't be up until spring
7.	<p>EAV Parent Outreach Committee (Contact Debbie Bush)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Reviewing parent survey - Working on PRO Grant – how to support our kids and their awareness of social media and internet safety? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o <i>Wed Nov 8th at 6:45pm at CCVI</i> Dr. Laura Markham Helping children become more self-disciplined and cooperative <p>UGDSB Parent Outreach Committee PIC (Contact Debbie Bush)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Parent Engagement Websites: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Parent Involvement Committee o Parents engaged in education geared for School Councils o People for Education (Nov. 11th popular conference) - Parents Reaching Out grant – PIC was successful received a \$10,000.00 grant - Bill MacKenzie is presenting at PIC Mon. Oct. 30th @ 7pm (Speaker also visiting EAV Nov. 16th @ 6.30 pm)
8.	<p>Vote on the Bylaws: 13 approved 0 opposed. Motion passed. Vote on time change for council meeting from 6.45 pm to 6.30 pm: 12 approved 1 abstained. Motion passed.</p>
9.	<p>Next Student Council meeting and upcoming events:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>Next School Council Meeting:</i> Nov 16th@ 6.30 pm– Bill MacKenzie is presenting about technology available to students in our schools -<i>Digital Saturday:</i> November 18th 9 am – 12 pm @ Arbour Vista. <u>For every 10 families that attend, the school will receive 1 free chromebook from the Board.</u> - <i>UGDSB School Messenger Parent App</i> – information to be sent out to parents