

Arbour Vista School Council Meeting
Wednesday September 29th, 2021 – 6:30pm – (Virtual Meeting)

In Attendance: Marina Harisson (Principal), Kate Languedoc (Teaching Vice Principal), Shanna Stevens, Amy Skeoch, Christina Steer, Debbie Bush, Erica Eugenio, Jaime Warford, Kimberly Spira, Leen Al-Habash, Rebecca Clark, Sameeha Salih, Victor Arora

| Item | Discussion | Decisions / Follow Up |
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| Welcome | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 13 in attendance • Introductions of members in attendance | |
| Principal's Report | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This year's enrollment at Arbour Vista is ___ students. This total does not include the ___ students participating in online learning. Normal start of the year reorganizing of the classrooms resulted in 60 students moving classes. • Arbour Vista welcomed new staff members to the school. We wish them a wonderful year! • COVID-19 measures in place and students are doing well with all the protocols. Have had some issues with some grade 8 students. No assemblies are permitted this year as directed by the Upper Grand School Board • Sept. 29th Terry Fox Day went well. All classes took turns with 2 classes participating per time slot. \$2K has been raised so far! | |
| Elections | <p>All positions are open Chair, Secretary, Treasurer, Fundraising Chair</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chair – organizes and facilitates meetings, communication between the school and Council, (Erica – currently in position for 3 years) • Secretary – minutes for meeting, approval through Chair and Principal • Treasurer – maintains the financial information, generates monthly financial reports for Council (doesn't physically touch the money) • Fundraising – this will be brought up in future meeting to see if this will be permitted at this time or not | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Leen Al-Hasbsh volunteered to share the secretary role with other board members. • No volunteers for other positions currently • Erica will stay on for Chair for another year • Please email your interest to Erica Eugenio (erica_mitchell245@hotmail.com) |

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| Finances | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Not presented | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Will be presented at the next meeting. |
| By-Laws | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Erica to send link for School Council By-Laws. Please read prior to next meeting | |
| Parent Involvement Committee (PIC) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PIC meets on the last Monday of each month – PIC provides a link between parent communities and the school board. All parents are welcome to join this committee: https://www.ugdsb.ca/pic/ Here is information about PIC https://www.ugdsb.ca/pic/ • PIC meeting minutes will be posted here after they are approved at October meeting. https://www.ugdsb.ca/pic/about-us/meeting-information/ <p><u>Some highlights:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Welcomed new Director of Education Peter Severn • There are new roles for the Superintendents • The board recognizes the value of volunteers and is constantly reviewing when they can resume. • PIC received \$38000 for parent engagement initiatives for this school year. If you are interested in supporting the board wide initiative please reach out. • \$500 went to each school for parent engagement. Next meeting bring ideas for funds. • Umbrella project continues this year, however will look a little different. Please see this for more details: https://www.ugdsb.ca/blog/ugdsb-launches-the-umbrella-project-to-support-mental-health-and-well-being/ https://www.ugdsb.ca/blog/tag/ugumbrella/ | |

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| | <p>Don't forget about Mental Health UG Parents website:https://sites.google.com/ugcloud.ca/mhugparents</p> | |
| <p>Other business</p> | <p>School Dress Code: All schools are supposed to have a dress code. AVPS does not currently have one in place. We are working to create an easy to follow dress code that aligns with other schools in the region.</p> <p>Sensory Path: The school was entered into a contest for a sensory path, which we won! A sensory path helps with emotion regulation, burning off excess energy, spatial awareness.</p> <p>The school needs to be empty for the installation as the floors need to be stripped and redone.</p> <p>Umbrella Project Continues on for 2021-2022: The Umbrella Project is a teacher-led curriculum and school based program created to help teachers, students and parents reframe our perception of challenges and strengthen the skills of well-being to positively cope with the everyday stresses of life.</p> <p>Supply lunchroom supervisors needed - please contact Kate – kate.langedoc@ugdsd.on.ca</p> <p>Q – What is happening with Halloween at the school? Costumes will likely not be permitted this year. Suggestion made to make it a more of a ‘Spirit Day’ where students can wear orange and black for Halloween or green and black (AVPS school colours). There will be no school-wide dance-a-thon again this year but teachers may opt to do something in their classrooms.</p> <p>Q – What are the next steps for school sports/clubs? Some school sports are starting up. Sports depend on teachers willing to take this on. There will be no games with other schools, everything stays within the school. Library and garden club has already begun.</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Add to agenda for next meeting |

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| | <p>Q - Water bags have been removed from the new trees in the school yard, what happened? We are unsure who removed these, will contact the company hired for watering.</p> | |
| <p>Next Meeting</p> | | |