



Eramosa Public School Advisory Council September 12, 2023 7:00pm

Google Meet joining info

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In attendance: Dawn AirdrieDonovan, Angela Murray, Diana Josiak, Blaire Comacchio, Marya Morrison,. Rebecca Dufour, Bhumika Munroe, Dawn Raynard, Bethany, Amy Jackson, Jacqueline Nyman, Jenny Broadfoot, Billie LeBlanc, Tia Maartala, Heidi Muller, Cassie Hatch

Regrets: Rob Fletcher, Heather Weingartner, Jeff Murray

2023-2024 School Year Advisory Council

- Chair:Blaire, Vice Chair:Marya , Secretary: Rebecca, Treasurer: Cassie

Upcoming Dates:

1. September 18- PD Day

Overview of Professional Development

- Agenda is driven by the the board
- AM-Literacy
- PM-Student Well Being, School Safety and Violence Prevention

2. September 26 - Open House Tuesday (5:30-7:00)

EPSAC Agenda: September 12, 2023

1) Welcome

2) Approval of June minutes

A motion was made to approve the June minutes. Consensus gained and approved.

3) Principal's Report:

Whole School:

Great start up, despite the construction project

- 3 new washrooms put in, painting was completed
- The school is now equipped to have AC and we will have AC next summer. We are currently waiting on hydro to complete this upgrade
- Gym is not in use at this time, no timeline for use (most likely a few weeks)
- Kids are happy and engaged
- School cash online is currently not working, stay tuned

Classrooms:

- You will see safe spaces and areas to move in each classroom
- Many staff are adopting a responsive classroom approach
- Stationary bikes in classrooms (2)
- Standing desks are well used (10)
- We have 135 students this year at Eramosa

Grounds:

- Met with grounds supervisor J. Smith to discuss overgrowth at front of school and gardens in the back
- Board is getting back to Dawn on how to best remove it
- We are waiting to hear back from the board on this, will most likely be covered by the board

Healthy Pantry Project

- Yogurt & Fruit Days to continue this day
- Ms. Kent will order this through Food and Friends again this year
- Dates: Blaire to look at the calendar to determine these will be and how often
- Parent Volunteers: Dawn, Marya and Blaire (more welcome)
- Early March: We will raise money to go back to the Food for Friends Program (popcorn day)

School Cash Online

- Pizza once a week
- Booster Juice once a week
- Harvey's once a month
- Pita pit is once a week
- Milk also available to purchase through cash online
- There is an opportunity to donate and pay it forward

Financial Requests from School to Advisory Council

- Busing - \$521.82 for bussing to take to students to the International Ploughing Match
Rebecca made a motion to pay for the bussing from the fundraising fund
This was discussed and consensus was reached.
- Outdoor playground supplies - \$400.00 this was discussed and a consensus was reached in June that these funds would be allocated to the playground supplies (see June minutes)
- Asking for Busing money for this year, estimate \$2500. This amount will be discussed as additional bussing needs arise.
- River Run Grades 2-6 1644.48 for bussing (Dawn to confirm dates of this)

School Trips-

1. International Plowing Match
274.08 x 6 Grades 1-6
946.82 for 2 buses
473.41 for one bus
- We are charging \$10 per student to cover this cost (5 for admission, 5 toward bussing)

- 85 kids \$425 of the total bussing cost is being covered

4) Open finance discussion: Consider our goals/needs for the year and discuss setting some preliminary targets for fundraising/spending

We have three funds to allocate to:

1. Classroom/Teacher/School Needs
2. Fundraising
3. Outdoor Fund

All funds can get allocated into the fundraising account and then be reallocated. The council will need to make a motion to move the funds into different funds.

Goals Ideas for Fundraising

1. Technology for the classroom
2. Bussing
3. Supporting the arts (River Run Center)
4. Accessibility supports (wobbly stools)
5. Books to purchase at Book Fair

5) School Event/fundraiser dates

- TBD Parkinson's Pumpkin Pass (Inquire with vendor with feasibility)
- October 26 (6:00-7:30) Halloween Dance
- November 6th - Pointesta fundraiser orders go out, need to be
- Friday November 17th - Wreath making with Jenny (two seatings)
- Dec 2nd Community Pancake Breakfast - Poinsettia picked up on this date
- March 1st - Hotdog
- March 6th- Popcorn
- May 2st - Chicken Dinner (tentative)
- June 5 - Food truck or Purple Pig Open House (tentative)

Follow up: Cassie can you please create a summary of how much each fundraising event from last year was raised.

6) Spirit wear

- Heidi to lead out on Spirit Wear
- Heidi will work with Simone and arrange the cash online and dates to go out

7) Committee recap:

- School Environment and Outdoor Initiatives, lead: Rebecca
- Fundraising and Events, lead: Marya
- Communications, lead: Bhumika

8) Open House: Tuesday, September 26

- Will not be a dinner or BBQ this year
- Community focused, see the classrooms
- Bring a blanket, lawn chairs, snacks welcome

8) Bylaw discussion (if needed)

- Will be emailed out to the council by Marya for review, questions for next meeting

11) Tentative council meeting dates for the year:

October 10

November 14

January 16

February 13

April 9

May TBD

June TBD