Waverley Drive School Council Meeting

March 8, 2021 7:00 PM Google Meet

In Attendance:

Amy Ewing, Farrah Trahan, Jayme Sones, Jennifer Oussoren, Kumudinie Kariyapperuma, Kyle Hellewell, Mary Calarco, Melanie Mikkelsen, Nancy Nicol, Nikki Pettis, Tammy Smallacombe, Shirley Downes

Regrets: Barb McPhee

| Item | Discussion | Action |
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| Membership | Call to order, Land Acknowledgement, Anti-Racism statement, Introductions | |
| Approval of Minutes | Sent via email | Approved |
| Principal, VP & Teacher's Report | Spirit Wear on sale. Available for purchase through school cash online. A large set of chromebooks coming to the school soon. Via money from the Board/Ministry – schools will be making other choices to purchase technology through the Board. March Break moved to April 12-16 Have instituted some Spirit Days at the school to help break up the month. School-wide Rock-Paper-Scissors contest. One staff champion and each class will have a champion. Final competition taking place on Wednesday and broadcasting to the school via Zoom. Pi Day on Friday - If you wear beach attire on Thursday, you can vote for which teacher will have a pie thrown in their face on Friday Wearing Green for St. Patrick's Day March 19th - Rock your Socks - World Down Syndrome Day Grade 8 Grad Photos on Tuesday, March 16th. | |

- Staff Voluntary Book Study "Me and White Supremacy". Teachers will be working through the book over the next 4 weeks.
- Period Equity Program through the Board. Free period product dispensers will be located in one designated "For Use by All" washroom. Also in the Intermediate Girls washroom and Learning Commons Hallway girls washroom.
- Trauma of the Anniversary of Covid-19 in Canada. Video recorded to share with those who may be experiencing negative emotions on the Anniversary of Covid-19. Trauma stored in the body over time, Anniversaries are a trigger. North American Center for Threat Assessment and Trauma Response. Accept it as a natural human response. Shared a video with Council.
- Have given kids zones on the hard top to use, due to the current state of the grass field.

North Riverside Group

- Caroline and Barb sent regrets. Still offering services by appointment only.
- Making plans for summer programming.
 Currently offering some Zoom based groups for kids.
- One of Waverley classes collecting donations of cereal boxes, to create a domino line. Amy took the idea to one of the classes - to lead the project, cereal will be donated to NRNG. Will be starting soon.
- Change April Fool's Day to April Food day.
 Instead of trying to fool someone try to feed someone.

Cheques can be dropped off at the market at 140 Waverley Drive - Portable #6 or mailed to 42 Carden St, Guelph, N1 3A2.

on-line by visiting

https://www.canadahelps.org/en/charities/guelphneighbourhood-support-coalition/

e-transfer to admin@guelphneighbourhoods.org
Please use (gnscdonation)as password

| PIC Report | No Grade 3 or 6 EQAO this year. Martha Rogers - changed hiring policy to focus on merit instead of seniority. Have gotten good feedback on the first 2 events. 3rd event will be in April. Flyer has been circulated via email. Brent MacDonald sent an email survey link on apprenticeship and Skilled Trades Ontario. If parents have feedback can send to youthadvisors@ontario.ca Strong Minds Strong Bodies - developing programs. Want to hear from parents - would love feedback prior to March 31st. https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/SASMNA | Recorded version of event available? KK - will find out. |
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| Treasurer's Report | School Council - invoice for chromebooks error from last month has been corrected. | |
| New Business | Amy - on behalf of a parent. Looking for a scooter system to have at the school. Kumudinie - Parent Engagement Events being planned? Not currently Kumudinie - There is extra money in budget from PIC speakers. If anyone has any ideas for parent engagement and Special Education, please share with her to bring to the next PIC meeting. | Amy will check with the Board and find out about the rules. Bring it back to next month's meeting. |
| Adjournment | Adjourned at 8 pm | |
| Next Meeting | Wednesday, April 7, 2021, at 7 pm | |