

William C. Winegard Public School

School Council Meeting Minutes

MEETINGWilliam C. Winegard School CouncilDATEThursday, October 1st, 2020LOCATIONVirtual Google MeetTIME7:00pm - 8:00

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Ітем #	DESCRIPTION			
1	Welcomes and Norms: -Aaron Gee and Susan Hopkins will be joining us this year as Teacher Representatives -Introductions were made from Rochelle, Kristin & Aaron			
2	Approval of Agenda - All			
3	Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes - All			
4	 Treasurer's Report: School Council General - \$7689.45 Playground - \$1967.45 This money is set aside for repairs. A percentage of the cost of the playground is set aside for repairs as needed. 			
5	Discussion: Trees/Forest: -Ms. MurrayCako shared that we've reached out to the board to have staff come and work to address the overgrown brush and firepit usage. This will help clear sight lines to help deter people from using the area -The community support with the cleanup has been much appreciated			
6	Elections: -Will be held during our next meeting which will allow us time to invite more of the community -It may be helpful to list the roles and responsibilities in our communication with the community. -If you are interested in being on council as either a voting member or a member at large fill out the following link: https://forms.gle/G4soMTyrrxBnSLWW6 FYI: School Council and PIC Policy Statement: https://www.ugdsb.ca/wp-content/uploads/2017/07/201-School-Councils-and-the-Parent-Involvement-Committee- PIC-Policy-Statement.pdf School Council and PIC Involvement Procedures: https://www.ugdsb.ca/wp-content/uploads/2017/07/201-A-School-Councils-and-the-Parent-Involvement-Committee e-Procedures-Manual.pdf Roles to nominate and vote will include: - Co-Chairs - Secretary - Treasurer			
7	Principal's Report: Reflecting on September:			

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	 -Very good start - the climate has been positive - everyone is working hard to follow the new routines and procedures -Staff Updates - we have welcomed some new staff members: Melanie Beveington (FDK), Sarah Damers (grade 2/3), Kim Stark (grade 3 and planning), Matt Lawson (grade 4/5), Jennifer Buchanan (planning), Terra Humphries (grade 6/7), Dale Radoja (planning and core french), Brandon Rees (grade 7/8) Michelle Scoular (planning) and Matt Trento (grade 4) -Recognized Rowan's Law and Orange shirt day yesterday
	Operations: Health and Safety: -Teachers have worked very hard to set up classrooms, follow entry and exit procedures, nutrition break procedures -Many teachers utilizing the Outdoor Learning opportunities
	School Organization: -Numbers sent into the board office Wednesday September 9th, we have 476 students registered. 393 are in school. 83 are remote learning.
	Communication: -Website and the Board will be our main source of information -Emails, phone messages, UG Connect and twitter will also be used -Insurance For Council - not necessary at this time - can be purchased at any point -Pickup and drop off messaging:Thank you to all our families for supporting the 1 parent/guardian on the playground and physical distancing on the school yard. We do need to remind our families to please make your way off the school yard after drop off and pickup. -All students please make your way to your class line in the morning. Please arrive closer to 8:30. The school day will begin at 8:35am and end at 3:05pm. -If walking with a dog to school please ensure you stay on the sidewalk -Please only use the parking lot if absolutely necessary -The pickup and drop off lane in the parking lot is for picking up and dropping off. Please do not leave your vehicle parked in the lane. -We encourage families to park on the streets surrounding the school and walk to the school if picking up or dropping off (Cityview, Breesegarden, and Kearney are good options) -Do not park or stop on Lee Street near the school -Reminding parents of the SCHOOL SCREENING TOOL located on our website to be completed for each child prior to the school day
8	Committees: -Committees will be put on hold for the time being -Consider a possible Wellness and Community sub-committee at a later time
9	 PIC Update: -Sarah Ward attended the PIC meeting with Superintendents and Dr. Martha Rogers -Updates from the Children's Foundation by Anita McFarlane -If you know of someone who is in need direct them to Food & Friends -Food@Home is a program that can help support families who are struggling -Fundraising is on hold for the time being and there is more information to come -Brent McDonald (SO) shared that there is an acknowledgement that families have felt hardship from current Covid pandemic and to be aware of these in our communities -There is no news from the ministry regarding the ProGrant -We do have our 500\$ for Council to support Parent Engagement -UG App - they've noticed some difficulties and have taken steps to address it. (e.g. clearing their storage and working to fix the app) -Next PIC meeting is Oct. 26
	Snacks: -Rochelle shared that we have a Grab and Go snack program that involves pre-packaged snacks available for students who need them Chromebooks: -We are using the school supply of chromebooks to help support the Remote learning school -We have placed an order to have 40 additional chromebooks

	 -We've added chromecasts and elmos to a few more classrooms to allow teachers to embed technology within their programs -Aaron Gee shared that students have the ability to share their work from a chromebook with the class by using the Google Chromecast and TV in the classroom Overall: There is a general positive feeling throughout the school.
10	All meetings to be virtual throughout google meet this year Next Meeting: November 3 @ 7:00 - Google Meet Link to be shared at a later date

ACTION ITEMS

Ітем #	DUE DATE	DESCRIPTION	Assigned to
1	Next Meeting Nov. 3	Hold Elections If you would like to hold a position, be on council as a member at large or be a voting member please click the following link: <u>https://forms.gle/G4soMTyrrxBnSLWW6</u> (listed above)	School Council Team Parents
2	Next Meeting Nov. 3	Communicate information to WCW community re: roles & responsibilities of School Council	Rochelle & Kristin Rachel, Stacy and Janice Hicks through School Facebook Page
3	When possible	Share information Re: Food and Friends	Rachel, Stacy and Janice Hicks through School Facebook Page
4	Next Meeting Nov. 3	If you have any questions/comments please enter them here, we will review for the next meeting. https://forms.gle/SbKbBtZJxEcmS8BT6	Any Member