

Minutes October 3rd , 2023

1.0 Agenda

- 1.1 Public Question Period
- 1.2 Welcome and call to order - Intro parents for Sara
- 1.3 Present: Douglas Stewart, Jennifer Cox, Christina Carpanzo, Cathy Bruno, Tatjana Tomac, Laura Catalano, Heather Little, Christina B, Jackie Jansons, Kim Teolis, Janna Derycke, Malik, Tracy Lyall, Natalie Lafrance (14)
- 1.4 Land Acknowledgement - Laura

2.0. New Business

3.1 Field Trips & Fundraising - K4- wants to go to Quinn Farm- -pumpkin picking - October 20. Adult to student ratio 1:4 - Katerina, Ashley. 55.40/student. Bus? Yes. 930-1230. Budget from K4 parent component. Very expensive - might cause them to cap quickly. Included in price is one parent. One parent must accompany. K4 activities all include a parent. Capped at 40 - and school will subsidize the remainder? It sounds like (from staff council) K\$ teachers have planned the rest of the outings within budget. Approved by Kim and Jackie.

Requests/approvals - Holiday Zumba - Zumbini K4-K5. 10\$/child. In school. Friday Dec 15. Educational objective - cognitive and social emotional and gross motor. Approved - Laura and Christina

Zumbini again - June 14 . Same cost 10\$/student. Approved Laura and Christina
Fundraiser - super recycleurs - no exchange of money - Just an FYI.

3.2 Varia

3.0 Business Arising

4.1 Correspondence - Received today - in the wake of the atrocities in Israel - LBPSB extends support and condemns the violence of Hamas.
Telus health - 24/7 support for employees. Christina explained that she lived in Israel for 6 years. She asked if the school is talking about the events in class. M.Stewart explained that he did not foresee any discussion with the students on a larger/global scale.

4.1.1 Council of Commission Meeting

Highlights

September 27 Council Summary -

4.2 LBPSB Success plan 2023-2027
consultation

Questions:

- Tania is questioning the school board success plan regarding the high performing students.
- The metrics are being measured without actual data? Success rate of boys and those with exceptionalities - But what about the girls?
- Orientation 11 - reduce number of absences -

- Laura - how are young students with different abilities, taught that everyone is equal but different. - M. Stewart explained that acceptance and tolerance are main focuses in the EDDI program. At Terry Fox - social-emotional learning is a main focus that is integrated in the classrooms.
- Should there be more TECH - in a way that is uniform?
- Is there a budget for this?
- Will there be people mandated for the integration and upkeep of the things discussed in success plan?
- Malik - Westpark - fundraising for needs that they feel their school would benefit from - To get technology, the best way is to do it yourself. Community learning center - resources in different community groups who come into the schools and offer different activities - for students/families.
- Every school has a different culture and demographic - the school's board will have to decide on priority and how to best serve our student body.
- WHERE IS THE MONEY?
- Social-emotional health - do kids have access to OT's, psychologists and other professionals for students.
- Malik - his role is to bring concerns to the board. Needs back up. He can bring information to council but if no parents or staff are involved, no changes will be made. Jennifer will be sending Malik's meeting dates - usually the last Monday of every month.

4.3. LBPSB EDDI mandate video
<https://youtu.be/4qih3HFbl4Y>

5.0 Reports

5.1 Commissioner- Malik - sent the report to everyone.

5.2 Principal - Attestation - sept 29 - headcount for funding - all ministry funding is based on those numbers - 312 as of now. Our schools have a lot more in common with other schools in terms of needs. We have a lot of student with heavy needs have joined our school family within the last 2-3 weeks. We are currently trying to organize and get ahead. SD consultant and speech and language consultants are present. It has been a stressful month. There are some children who are now expressing needs who were not on the radar. Candy Buonanno is on preventative leave - Special Ed tech - who is now replaced by Tara Lynn Brennan. Our situation is not unique - the needs are high everywhere. The entire education system is under stress right now. Lesson to parents: "Squeaky Wheel" in terms of advocacy.

A good way to help - Home and School. - Network -
 More humans in the building would be a great way to help.

5.3 Parent's Committee - Kim -

5.4 Teachers - Going through the motions - Terry Fox run - with Eddy - It was a beautiful day. We are about to start our trailblazers - Each group has students from K5 - 6 with one teacher - as part of the SEL initiative. It starts this Thursday. This Thursday is

a test run, but next Thursday morning (45 minutes) is the first real lesson - Gratitude- Each group will be doing the same activity/lesson. - Breaking down home room barriers - similar to lunch time - only far more structured.

5.5 Day care - Cathy - Final count for Day care - 146 kids (morning and after school).

Sept 29 - Friendship day - 53 kids. They made bracelets and a friendship tree with their hands. The tree will remain and be decorated year long. They made pizza in the afternoon. They did a chain link to highlight truth and reconciliation.

Next Ped day - Nov 17 - Lulu Ceramic would be coming in school. They kids would paint - the ceramic shop would take it back - bake it - and then bring it back to the students.

THE cost is 23\$/student + day care fee - 15.75\$/student.

Approved by Laura and Christina.

5.6 PPO - meeting to be held tomorrow.

Malik - Nustar.org Free Art program Saturday morning 6-11 years old especially challenged or marginalized. 11-2. Starts Oct 21. Register online.

6.0 Adjournment

Next meeting - Wednesday, November 8 th in person - 6:30 pm.



