

## **Dr. E Davey Elementary-School Council Minutes**

Monday, October 16, 2023 (9:10am-10:10am)

### **Welcome and Land Acknowledgement**

Led by vice Principal Brad Soucie, Principal Terri Trimble sends her regards

### **Election results for 2023/2024 school year**

Chair-Anja Lehto

Vice Chair-Heather Elson

Secretary-Alissa Fairley

Treasurer-Tasha Bassindale

Members at large present- Brenda

Regards from Rehima who will attend next meeting.

Others present- Sabreina Dahab (School Board Trustee for Ward 2)

We hope to have a student council representative. Awaiting to see if a teacher representative will join.

### **Future meeting Dates**

November 21st from 9:10-10:10

February 6th from 9:10-10:10

April 9th from 9:10-10:10

### **Subcommittees**

2 subcommittees have been suggested. One regarding safety and one regarding fundraising/grants.

If interested in joining a subcommittee please contact our Principal or Chair.

Alissa Fairley will be organizing the safety subcommittee.

Anja Lehto will be organizing the fundraising/grants subcommittee.

Future communication regarding these will be posted shortly. All parents/caregivers interested in these topics are encouraged to join.

### **Principals Report**

Lots of ideas regarding fundraising. At the November meeting we will be looking at what the yearly fundraising plan will look like.

We viewed our Schools Annual Plan. A lot of focus is on the well-being of all students and staff. We were informed a new public health nurse is with us this year. We will be looking at the next School Annual Plan in our February meeting.

### **2022/2023 Outreach (Anja)**

Outreach results from 2022/2023 school year. A survey was done during our schools open house last year. When it came to hot lunch ideas pizza was the most liked option. When asking our community what they'd like to improve their school experience. Class trips, green space and outdoor equipment were the top requested.

### **Parent Involvement Committee (Alissa)**

Last week PIC (Parent Involvement Committee) hosted the school council start up. This was an event for principals and School Council Chairs to attend. Brad Soucie (Vice Principle), Anja (Chair) and Alissa (PIC member) attended. It was well attended. A great chance to sit with each other to learn more about the roles of School Councils and our Principals.

PIC offered to come to schools and offer support to our School Councils. This did seem as an interest and Alissa will look further into this opportunity.

Parents Reaching Out grant. This grant is to help parents to identify barriers to parent/guardian/caregiver engagement in their own community. The Ministry of Education provides each school board with funding, which PIC can use and/or distribute to schools. This year each school can apply for a maximum amount of \$1,000. As well as an option to combine schools. For more information to last year's schools that participated and engagement that occurred see link.

[\(https://www.hwdsb.on.ca/blog/parents-reaching-out-grants-awarded-to-35-hwdsb-schools/\)](https://www.hwdsb.on.ca/blog/parents-reaching-out-grants-awarded-to-35-hwdsb-schools/). If you have an idea of what we can do at our school this year please contact our Chair.

### **New Business**

Communication-Inquiry into FB account (Alissa will look further into this)

Interest of opening an Instagram account for School Council

### **Future Agenda Items**

Please send any future agenda items to our Chair

### **Adjournment**