

# Alcona Glen E.S. School Council Agenda

Monday February 7th, 2022

Time/Attendance: 6:30 pm

Anne Tervit, Jenifer Richardson, Tara Filtaeu, Efi Marks, Jessica Tourloukis, Melinda Brennan, Cathy Murray, Atya Noor, Merlyne Boken, Ariela Koldorf

Review of Last Meeting Minutes

Approved by: Jennifer Richardson

Seconded by: Melinda Brennan

Administration Report:

- Lunchbox program/ one off hot lunch in February:
  - Impact of covid has put a strain on staffing, so this is not a possibility right now
  - Will re-visit once there is an opportunity to do so (ie. Less staffing # issues)
- Character Assembly update:
  - Had an assembly in December, will have another one in March
- Sports/Clubs update:
  - Superintendents gave the “go ahead” to inter murals for gr. 7 & 8, with some rules & limitations in place
  - Won't be running yet; admin to discuss availability with staff team
  - Question: Will there be stats provided by the board re: rates of child vaccinations?
- Home PCR test update:
  - For the most part, rapid tests have been sent home prior to break, after break & this week
  - There are PCR tests at school that have been offered to family or staff if it is needed
    - Must be taken to Shoppers on IBR & must wait for results
  - PCR tests are not as readily available; school will have more access to rapid tests
- Kiss and Ride update:
  - Currently not enough staff to re-open
  - Once kiss & ride is able to re-open, structure of it will be reviewed
- When someone gets sick at school:
  
- Consent:
  - Vaccination consent forms were sent home in the last couple of weeks
  - 12 years & older, student can typically consent to things such as accessing a social worker, etc
  - No students in elementary school can give self-consent for covid vaccination
    - MUST have parent consent to be vaccinated
  - Moving forward, health unit will contact families who sent back the form to follow up regarding vaccinating their children
  
- Black History Month
  - 4 grade 8 students took initiative to prepare a presentation to share with their peers
  - Grade 7 classrooms created a mural to be put up on a wall in the school in regards to Black History Month

- Picture up on Twitter; Anne will look into uploading them onto school website

#### Staff Report (Cathy Murray):

- Next character assembly in March (Jan-March) and another in June

#### Community Rep Report

##### Myrlene Boken:

- Families are still struggling quite a bit; volunteers have been brought in to support the amount of requests to help
- Inability to work due to symptoms have impacted peoples' ability to work/get paid
  - Is a little worse than it was last year
  - Housing is still very difficult in Innisfil
- 166 families/100 people/35 vulnerable teens were helped over Christmas
- Elizabeth Fry Foundation (Barrie) called for help as they didn't get any support this year
- There is enough money to support with year-round programming
- Possible additional drive/fundraising by the school prior to end of year

##### Innisfil Idealab and Library:

- Open for look, browse & go

#### Fundraising Report

- Jennifer will look into other options – will speak to Brenda from The Parlour
  - Will discuss at next meeting
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#### Pro-Grant

- Application – Submitted!!!
- Integrating Indigenous culture & awareness as well as utilizing indigenous teachings in educating people on how to incorporate wellness into their lives (ie. Drumming, meditation, etc)
- Will connect with other schools to explore partnerships (Killarny Beach already offered to partner)
- Planning for 3 session series or 1 evening
- Approval date is Friday, so we will know more then
- Anne, Tara, Effie & Ariela will continue to plan
- Indigenous student at Nantyr Shores – explore his possible participation

#### PIC Update

- There is no update this month

#### New Business

- J-Walking education initiative
  - Anne met with town reps; no update as of yet, as there are still more discussions taking place
- French carnival
  - Students have asked French teachers if Carnival will happen this year
  - Can't run between cohorts, but can be run in a modified way
  - In past years, beaver tails at the end & some funding through school council
    - \$2/student, \$2/council (per student), \$2/French budget (per student)

Dismissal: 7:55 pm

Next meeting: April 4<sup>th</sup>, May 2<sup>nd</sup>, June 6<sup>th</sup>