

Ecole Agnes Davidson School Council Meeting

Tuesday, March 8th, 2022, 7pm

1. Welcome/Gratitude
 - a. Attendance: Kelly Sparks, Terra Leggat, Alex Westwood, Michelle Kuling, Megan Cummins, Alison Alma-North, Natalie de Bruin, Tiff Mills, Tyler Demers, Danielle Fletcher, Donna Whitton, Brie Schindel, Isabelle Crombez
2. Approval of Agenda
 - a. Approved by Michelle Kuling, seconded by Alison Alma-North
3. Approval of February 8, 2022 Minutes
 - a. Approved by Tiff Mills, seconded by Danielle Fletcher
4. Reports
 - a. Principal's Report (Terra)
 - i. March 1st brought changes with many restrictions being lifted. Classes are no longer cohorted, which allows book buddies, class collaborations etc. Recesses are also no longer cohorted and students are loving it.
 - ii. Masking is now optional. Some teachers and students still choose to wear masks and masks remain available in the school.
 - iii. Assemblies are now possible, but are still being planned with caution.
 - iv. Extracurricular's are also now possible – grade 4 and 5 students are now being given the option to do choir and handbells. Extracurricular's are based on teacher's ability and interests and teachers volunteer their time to facilitate extracurricular's.
 - v. Grade 4 assurance survey and learning bar survey were discussed at last meeting. It is not possible to provide parents with a copy of the student survey, but if you'd like to look it over, book an appointment with Terra to have a look.
 - vi. Report Cards come out March 11th around noon.
 - vii. Parent-teacher interviews happen next week and will remain on Teams for now. Although restrictions have been lifted, the school is still proceeding cautiously. Typically, this is Celebration of Learning open house, but due to uncertainty about restrictions, this was already planned in a traditional format. The booking system closes March 14th at 11:30.
 - viii. Re-registration forms have gone out and must be completed by March 11th.
 - b. Vice-Principal's Report (Megan)
 - i. Science & Heritage Fair – thanks to families who have helped bring in and set up projects. All classrooms are touring through projects this week and students are presenting their projects to their class.
 - ii. 27 years of giving Food Drive – March 21st – 30th. Looking for meals in a can, gluten free products, peanut butter, dry soups, condiments etc. Watch for more information.

- iii. March 22nd – cultural food tasting. School applied for nutrition grant to infuse cultural food tasting into the school. Brie baguette and apple along with learning about Brie cheese history. 5 volunteers are required to prep food.
 - iv. The Loop – information from AHS and other community agencies. There is a lot of great information about community events, education etc.
 - c. Staff Rep Report (Alex)
 - i. February was a busy month with many celebrations and festivities.
 - ii. This week is Scholastic English book fair (March 7 – 11) and students have had a chance to visit the fair at the learning commons. Sign up to volunteer: https://lethsd51-my.sharepoint.com/:w:/g/personal/isabelle_crombez_lethsd_ab_ca/ERmnuv9-RK9BmNQ_bl-56VEBWEcV-mEbg2Vrm1uv_ACDJw?e=YsGxSm&isSPOFile=1
 - iii. This link will allow online purchases from the book fair: <https://virtualbookfairs.scholastic.ca/pages/5158733>
 - iv. Learning commons – students are excited about the maker spaces that they have access to in the learning commons.
 - v. Several special days coming up, watch the calendar for these dates.
 - d. District Council Report (Alison)
 - i. Morag Asquith presented on wellness at the beginning.
 - ii. Town Hall results are on the district website.
 - iii. Discussed ideas for use of \$500 community engagement money.
 - e. Alberta School Council Association (ASCA) Report (Donna)
 - i. AGM for ASCA is coming up in April.
 - ii. There are only 4 resolutions this year, but the most important topic is around advocacy and de-funding of ASCA. The government will now open a 35-person panel to replace ASCA's work which will impact the representation we have as parents. She will share more information in May after the AGM.
 - f. Trustee report (Tyler Demers)
 - i. Spanish Language program will be extended into grade 6 at G.S. Lakie during the 2022/23 school year.
 - ii. A full review of the division Wi-Fi access will yield updates to some elementary schools experiencing dead spots. 700 PC's have been ordered for the Elementary ever greening phase. These have been ordered early due to supply issues.
 - iii. Next Community Conversation March 17, 6:30-8:00 @ Boy and Girls Club (227 12 B St North)
- 5. Old Business
 - a. Alberta School Council Engagement Grant
 - i. Not much luck in organizing parent French lessons. A contact in Calgary offered 2 virtual options. Kelly proposes that we strike a committee to organize this. There is also a local option. Alison and Kelly will meet to move this forward.
 - ii. Canadian Parents for French – has membership options as well.

- iii. Alison Alma-North moves that we spend \$150 on a 3-year Canadian Parents for French Membership for the school community. Seconded by Michelle Kuling.

6. New Business

Next meeting: April 12th, 2022

Adjournment