## Ecole Agnes Davidson School Council Meeting Tuesday, June 13th 2023 7pm

- 1. Welcome/Gratitude
- 2. Additions and Approval of Agenda Approved Carrie
- 3. Approval of May 9th, 2023 minutes Approved Dawn
- 4. Reports
  - a. Principal's Report (Terra)(15 min)

School supplies will be purchased in bulk again next year, this will be the second year of the trial. Grade 5 farewell celebration will be June 27 at 5pm. Lots of field trips coming up, parent volunteers need to fill out parent volunteer form ahead of time. Link.

There are no litter boxes in the school. And there will be no litter boxes in the school. Washrooms are not all gender-neutral, however there are several single stall washrooms that are gender neutral and have been since the school was built.

Mothers Day/Fathers day have not been cancelled in our school. Staff have been reflecting on Mothers/Fathers day and the school community. The decision was made for teachers to choose what is best for their individual classes - which is the same as it has been every other year. There has been more conversation on social media this year, but teachers are still making decisions to meet their classes needs. We want to celebrate diverse families. We want to celebrate the people who are our caregivers and the people who look after us.

When we talk about Pride at elementary level, we are not talking about sexual orientation or gender identity. The discussions are about being true to ourselves, understanding ourselves, and appreciating that anybody can like whatever they like. Committee of teachers found appropriate stories to help support Pride conversations. Again, teachers had the opportunity to make choices regarding Pride conversations from the list of approved materials. Wednesday is a rainbow day to celebrate Pride. Students may choose to participate or not as with any special outfit day.

Teachers for next year will be posted on the website next week. Bell times for next year will remain the same. There will be a staggered entry for all classes children with last names L-ZI September 5 and A-M September 6. Courtyard project will begin Ju8ly 10, should be complete for the new school year. Some problems with roots in the plumbing affecting the bathroom, but timeline should remain. New courtyard will include 6 picnic

tables, as well as new landscaping to have space to hold class outdoors.
b. Vice-Principal's Report (Megan)(15 min) Jun 15 <u>Ready Set Go</u> in connection with MyCity Care can register <u>here</u> to receive school supplies (money for school supplies, in the case of our school.)

Mycity care was at the school on June 8. Great opportunity for community to receive clothes.

August 26 11-3 <u>First Ride</u> event Nicholas Sheron school opportunity for kids to ride a school bus for the first time. With hot dogs, hamburgers, ice cream, etc.

July 1 is the final date to order pictures from Lifetouch with free shipping. shipfree2023 is the code for free shipping.

Final cultural food tasting Mac & Custard bringing macrons. Macrons have almond flour. Teaching portion will be done at school, sample will be sent home in a sealed bag with ingredients listed.

Put together a grant for next year to do more of these events. Looking for more savory/meal type dishes.

Grateful for support from our community

c. Staff Rep Report (volunteer)(15 min) Alicia

M. Nish's class is collecting bottled water hats and sunglasses for unhoused via Sage Clan. Drive goes to June 19. We currently have enough water to support half of Lethbridge's unhoused population for 1 day.

June 15 sports day; May need to be postponed for next Thursday if it is raining. Decision will be made on the day. 10 centres, teachers have asked for parent volunteers to support this event. Please remember sunscreen and hats for your children. Teachers are not allowed to provide or apply sunscreen on students, but if you send it teachers will make sure your child is wearing it. Volunteers are coming to cut watermelon. Nutrition grant has provided 2 watermelons per class.

Welcome to kindergarten school tours with grade 5 students. June 21 and 22 4:30-6:30 come and go when you can. Aggie makes an appearance. Meet by playground.

Davis Playspace is growing with a new kitchen and playfood. Hopefully will get more use from students in older grades as well.

d. District Council Report (Carrie)(10 min)

School councils need to submit 3 forms before the new school year. Community conversations are over for the school year, will recommence in september. ASCA have set up emails through district office for school council chairs to access resources on the website. The resources are available to anybody, but are facilitated by the chair. All resources from district council meetings are linked to in the district meeting minutes. Next DSC Monday Oct 2.

- e. Trustee Report (10 min)
  - n/a
- 5. Old Business

Next Meeting September 12 AGM Adjournment 8:25