

Parkside Montessori, School Council

MEETING MINUTES

Monday, November 7, 2022

6pm

- 1.0 Call to Order at 6:00pm- Chair, Danielle P. 6:09pm
- 2.0 Review of Agenda- Chair, Danielle P. *(motion to accept) motion Danielle, 2nd Sandra*
- 3.0 * Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting - 10/03/22 [HERE](#) *(motion to accept)*
- 4.0 Introduction of attendees and guests Terra S, Corrine S, Danielle P, Sheri G, Terri M, Desiree W, Sandra M, Amy S, Desiree M, Andre O, Dani O
 - 4.1 Feature Teacher- Miss Desiree
- 5.0 Executive Reports-
 - 5.1 Monthly Executive updates and/or advisory from Council Executive- Danielle P
Update from the Fundraising Guild-
Closed Little Caesar's Oct 28, Growing Smiles and Purdy's run into November, Parent Fundraiser Survey to come and 50/50 In Dec.
- 6.0 Principal's Report and Advising Opportunities
 - 6.1 Miss Corrine and Miss Terra's monthly report
 - School Spirit "I am Awesome"
 - School Photos
 - Halloween parade, activities led by ELMO 4-6
 - Read A Thon raised over \$10,000- assembly to come
 - Triple Ball Tournament was a success
 - ELMO 3-6 attended Chemistry All Around Us
 - Flu season- keep sick kiddos home-follow AHS guidelines
 - Remembrance Day assembly coming Nov 10
 - Celebration of Learning Nov 30-Dec 1; Reports Cards
 - Hold and Secure drills
 - ELMO 4-6 Coffee Shops
 - Applied for robotics kits
 - Brunch for Lunch (Dec 21)
 - Parent Montessori Tools Learning Opportunity? (YES, please)
 - Assurance Report- Email in or share word of mouth (Doing great= Communication/weekly email, kids WANT to be here, morning door greeting
 - New report card update
 - 6.2 Alberta School Council Engagement Grant & Alberta School Councils' Assoc. Workshops website for review of list; apply to workshops or buy books for the school (see Appendix A)
 - 6.3 Parkside Montessori PAT Results & Interpretation – reviewed by all in attendance
- 7.0 Trustee's Report- Andre Ouellette, Trustee Liaison
 - Trustees and city council meeting-composite high school and leisure center demolition



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- Music program grants
- 386 new students enrolled in GPPSD 2022
- Student Advisory Committee
- Nov 8/22 GPPSD trustee meeting- recorded and on website

8.0 New Business:

- 8.1 Celebration of Learning- meal for staff sign up genius, Nov 30th meal
- 8.2 Clothing Swap –bring Parkside swag and swap for sizes that fit
- 8.3 Round Table –Book Fair at celebration of learning, Fundraising survey/Engagement, Amy’s new job and council commitment (good to go), Acknowledgment for Karen G. and Tiny Hands of Hope for the new memorial garden by the hospital (checking into procedure)

9.0 Next Regular Meeting of the School Council of Parkside Montessori: Monday, December 5, 2022

10.0 Adjourn 7:19pm



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Appendix A

The Alberta Government is continuing to provide the \$500 the Alberta School Council Engagement (ASCE) grant to each School Council in the province to enhance collaboration between parents and schools on education priorities.

- The following web link [School councils | Alberta.ca](https://www.alberta.ca/school-councils) will take you to the government School Councils site.
- The section “Parent Engagement” outlines the parameters of the grant, potential uses, and reporting responsibilities.
- The Division will have the request for funds completed on behalf of all our School Councils.

Which specific Alberta School Councils’ Workshops is the PMSC interested in?

(This information will be used to help determine the three workshops that will be booked by the Division. PMSC may also use engagement grant money to access further workshops if they are interested in specific topics.)

- [Pre-Scheduled Workshops 2022-2023: Alberts School Council’s Association](#) (single school councils can register and attend virtually in one location)
- [Workshops 2022-2023: Alberta School Councils’ Association](#) schools can book specific dates and times for the following workshops: School Council Introduction, School Council Establishment, School Council Operating Procedures*, Creating School Council Plans*, School Council Policies and Practices*. (* conditional - after taking the pre-scheduled session). All other workshops must be booked on one of the pre-designated times.

Examples of parent engagement activities and projects that funds can be used for including:

- workshops for parents to increase capacity for school council members
- information sessions on how parents can support student learning at home and at school
- parent resources and workshops on important topics such as, mental health and well-being, cyber bullying, healthy living, etc.
- programs to support families including those of English language and of indigenous learners
- parent resources and tools in multiple languages
- events to engage parents on important local issues
- parent engagement in promoting the value of arts
- trainer or facilitator costs for the professional development, workshops or sessions associated with the above

In 2021-22, funds were used to cover shared costs of two ASCA virtual presentations and the purchase of books that will be accessed by Parkside Montessori families on the topics of supporting self-regulation and grief.

