

Parkside Montessori, School Council

MEETING MINUTES

Monday, April 8, 2024

6pm

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Attendees: Danielle P. (Chair), Sheri G. (Parent), Crystal G.(Parent), Blythe N. (Parent), Melissa (Feature Teacher), Danielle O.(Parent), Danielle H.(Parent), Jasmine G.(Parent), Terri M.(Parent) Terra Shewchuk (Vice Principal)

1.0 Call to Order at 6:03pm- Chair, Danielle P.

2.0 Review of Agenda*- Chair, Danielle P. *(motion to accept)* **2nd Crystal G.**

3.0 * Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting –3/04/2024 **Danielle P.(motion to accept)2nd Crystal G.**

4.0 Introduction of attendees and guests

4.1 Feature Teacher- Miss Melissa. **Melissa teaches grade 1-3 and this is her second year at Parkside Montessori**

5.0 Executive Reports-

5.1 Monthly Executive updates and/or advisory from Council Executive- Danielle P.

-Reviewed profits from End of Rainbow Dance which were \$1580 from the raffle and \$652 from concession.

- Discussed upcoming Staff Appreciation week at the beginning of May, it was agreed we would ask for Parent donations to treat the staff. An ADHOC committee will be formed later in April.

6.0 Principal's Report and Advising Opportunities

6.1 Miss Corrine and Miss Terra's monthly report

- **Upcoming April events include Wacky Hair Day, School Spirit Day, Earth day (planning several activities), Beach Day (Administrative Professional Day), Talent shows, MALT.**

- **The Division Assurance Survey is now available and open to all Parkside Montessori parents. This survey provides the school valuable information used in planning for Parkside. Link to the weekly parent email.**

- **2024/2025 Staffing has begun; updates on staffing changes are yet to come. It is likely there will be an additional grade 4-6 class next school year.**

- **Superintendent Sandy McDonald came to speak with the grade 4-6 students about the possible expansion of grade 7-8. Sandy was impressed with the student's feedback and overall the meeting went really well. Sandy will be coming to speak to parents at a council meeting either in May or June.**

7.0 Trustee's Report- Chris Johnston, Trustee Liaison

No report available

8.0 Old Business:

8.1 Parent Learning Sessions

8.1.1 Montessori Materials Night Update- Terra

Montessori Materials Night will be focused on literacy and will take place May 2nd from 6:30 pm-8:00pm



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8.2 Rotary Excellence in Education, Service Above Self Nomination

- **An email will be sent to all council meeting attendees and a notice will be posted on social media asking for nominations.**

8.3 Fundraising Initiatives &/or consultation for Fundraising Guild of Parkside Montessori

- **Current fundraiser is Growing Smiles and Art Cards will be available to order soon.**

9.0 New Business:

9.1 Proposed resolutions for the upcoming ASCA AGM

- **7 proposed resolutions were discussed, and Danielle will use this feedback to vote accordingly on these resolutions at the ASCA AGM on April 28th 2024.**

9.2 Round Table

10.0 Next Regular Meeting of the School Council of Parkside Montessori: Monday, May 6, 2024 @ 6pm

11.0 Adjourn **7:11 pm**

