

The Prince Charles School

Parent Council

MINUTES

Date: November 5, 2020

Time: 6:30-8:30 pm

Present: Krista Nitschke, Christine Aikens, Carrie Kish, Emily Stinson, Allison Madden, Amanda Pringle, Justine Feeney, Erin Thrower Feeney, Anna H., Sarah Gareau

1.0 Business Arising from previous minutes

1.1 Insurance - Amanda has completed requisition and funds are paid for 20/21 year

1.2 Lexia – Amanda has transferred the funds to the school

2.0 Standing Items

2.1 Principal and Vice Principal Report

- Reading report - giving classes/kids incentives they get tickets for a prize at the end of the week for a book. (This includes using Lexia)
Classes get a prize for the most use on Lexia, done by division!
- Virtual announcements - a way to build our school community. Promote writers workshop, sharing love of reading/favourite book. Intermediates are leading the group right now. Building school spirit in a fun new way! Kids are enjoying have a visual along with the announcements.
- SOCKTOBER was a success!

Progress reports to come out in November. To let parents know where their children are at. Teachers have reached out to parents who need to be pre advised if their child is struggling.

Math changes. It used to have 5 marks it now has 1. Math all in 1 for a grade.

Remembrance day will be done virtually. The students will watch a video in their classes at 11 o'clock.

Holiday time is approaching. The holiday concert is going to be discussed during the staff meeting to see what the school is allowed to do. We are unable to sing at school. And there are a lot of kids who can't be video taped and shared with families via link.

Math coaching. Cindy Backman is doing number senses in small groups. To help students become more fluent with math skills. This is done in the afternoons and will be done with all/most classes.

Physical activity programming. The focus has switched to focusing on skills instead of group games. We will have skill challenges starting with football. Learn how to throw, catch, kick. Add in measuring distance and then compare classes and the school with identify whose is longest and then continue to compare with other schools. And hopefully video tape it to share everyone's skills.

Indigenous council representative. Every council needs to have or offer indigenous people a spot on council.

ACTION: Krista Nitschke will put it in the school newsletter to inform families.

Shared a topic that they are working on at the school. A child's right to read. (Brought to us by international dyslexia association) Making sure all children can read and write. Using a synthetic systematic phonics (YouTube video to give a better understanding)

2.2 Treasurer's Report

Approximately \$12,900 in account

2.3 Hot Lunch Report

Hot lunch is on hold during Covid-19

3.0 New Business

3.1 Teachers Fund - Teachers haven't used a lot of funds but they have till family day in February.

ACTION: Carrie Kish to send reminder to teachers

3.2 Outdoor Toys - Student fund for yard toys ends November 30. Teachers will purchase and be refunded by parent Council. Goal of \$2 per child

ACTION- Carrie Kish to send reminder to teachers

3.3 Grants - Grant research this yr in lieu of fundraising

ACTION: Amanda to research grants to apply for