

James Fowler High School Parent Council Minutes

Thursday Nov 15th, 2024

Attendees:

School Staff: Keith Johnson - Principal Andrew Brash- Assistant Principal

Parents: Joan Macdonald – Secretary Jennifer Beeler – Key Communicator Jeff Schroeder – Treasurer

Parents attending via MS Teams:

Paster John, Gagnadeep, Taiwo A.,

Monique Gibbs – President

Meeting called to order: 6:56 PM

Approval of Agenda

Pre-approved by Mary Temitopeajay Motion seconded – Jennifer B All in favour Motion carried.

Approval of October 5, 2024, Meeting Minutes:

Pre-approved by Jasmin Jackson Motioned seconded by - Jennifer B All in favour Motion carried.

School Admin Reports

Principal's Report – Keith J

Parent student interviews were a good turn out. Over 400 people attended.

Harris House event coming up. Students make a meal and entertainment for the residences of Harris House across the street. This is the 37th year for this event.

Indigenous parent meal event went well. Dec 4th.

Building improvements being discussed. New bleachers for the gym are needed.

FARE initiative program. Fowler for anti-racism reconciliation and equity program. Working on how to create one community of the various diverse student populations.

Vice Principal - Andrew Brash

Football team won the divisional championship. Senior girls volley ball made it to semi finals.

Basket ball starts December 2nd. Please come to support team

Cprl Bosniak as guest speaker at Remembrance day. This veteran made a very impactful speech and spoke about sacrifices for your country.

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Indigenous learning day for staff went well. New land acknowledgement were reviewed and practiced.

Bus issues continue but 2 new busses for Red Stone. And a new 753 bus route bus for Evanston.

Committee Reports

Council Chair: Monique Gibbs -

No official report

Vice Chair: Kelly M

No official report

Secretary: Joan Macdonald

No official report

Treasurer: Jeff Schroeder

No official report

Casino Chair:

Vacant.

Key Communicator – Jennifer Beeler

Jennifer attended a meeting – Council of Communication for Parent Councils. See attached document.

Council of School Councils value the role of parent councils in CBE schools. Large increase of students with all schools at or over capacity. Looking more funding from the province due to the increase. There is a petition letter circulating to ask the government for more money. Schools are old and need capital for refurbishment. Invite your school trustee to your school council meeting to learn more about you.

Unfinished Business

New Business:

Althea suggests announcing a topic for the Parent Council meeting. Eg: Student safety etc. May encourage parents to attend meetings. Maybe next meeting we could brainstorm some meeting topics.

Motion to adjourn: Monique

Seconded: Jennifer

Adjourned: pm

Next Hybrid Meeting: Thursday Dec 5 , 2024, at 6:30