

## **Galbraith School Council Agenda**

April 12, 2022– 6:30 pm Chair of Council – Marlaina D. Vice Chair – Kira K.

In person – Art Room (1<sup>st</sup> floor room 3)

TEAMS link: https://teams.microsoft.com/l/meetup-

join/19%3ameeting\_ZWE4OTE4NTEtMzZmOS00Zjk1LWJiOTktOTNjZmQ2ZmQyN2Iz

%40thread.v2/0?context=%7b%22Tid%22%3a%223c0e8b63-e64e-4c8d-a40f-

1d213b670472%22%2c%22Oid%22%3a%229b5ac099-f019-4325-ad82-

1af9443363bf%22%7d

- 1. Adoption of Agenda Nicole Court, Michelle Tyslau
- 2. Minutes of March 2022 School Council meeting Nicole Garlock, Cheryl Lyons
- 3. Business arising from the minutes none
- 4. School Trustee's Report Christine Light was unable to attend, has attached report
- Coffee and Conversation at the YMCA 8:30-10:00am you can bring your kids to the playspace
- Nicole will attach report from Christine
- 5. District School Council Report Marlaina is absent, Kira shared a few highlights
- Kira attended the meeting last week. She was disappointed with the conversation around bell times.
- \$500 engagement fund ideas were shared one idea was a psychologist who came to see them, tech person to discuss apps available for kids
- Kira will ask Marlaina to sum up the information
- 6. Staff Members' Reports:
  - 6.1 Staff Report- Karen
- thanks for the hot lunches
- Mark Heshka (PSIII intern in Grade 5) shared his internship project using animation (Powtoon) in literacy projects
- staff have been discussing the things we miss, the things we can let go of, post-pandemic (grouping kids together was missed, field trips)
- Grade 5s are going to the Calgary Zoo in June
- other Grades are going on different field trips closer to home
- gymnastics equipment will be set up soon in the gym

# 6.3 Principal's Report – Nicole Court

- Outdoor Classroom update Nicole shared
  - Kira asked if girl guides/scouts could possibly use this space with the joint use agreement. Nicole will check into this.
  - Discussed the community foundation grant (have applied, waiting to see if we were successful), WWF grant (\$1000 for outdoor classroom), Grade 1 butterfly path – these will all support the development of our outdoor classroom

## Family Engagement Evening

- Thursday May 26 from 6:30 to 7:30 families can come and look at the old history, photos, have a snack
- o Steve Keenan will be our musical guest
- o could we use some of the \$1200 for snacks and drinks for this evening?
- Kira will look into having enough people for quorum so that we can vote on supporting this event with money for snacks and drinks

#### 8. Other items

- 8.1 Provincial Grant for School Council Engagement (\$500)
- had discussed drum circle, but this might be better pushed towards Family Fun Nights in the next school year
- Associates Counselling Dylan Tate was the psychologist who came to a different school. Kira thought he was a good option.
- Discussing online safety, social media, games and apps was another option.
- Tracy wondered about doing this during the day would this be something that would bring in more parents?
- this event could be online or in-person
- Kira will look into the online safety presentation, and let the school know if she would like to book it

### 8.2 Succession Planning

- Growing School Council talk to the hot lunch volunteers, they could vote on specific items at hot lunch and have a quick meeting
- Open positions Secretary

### 8.3 Discussion re: Bell Times for 2022-2023

- Kira says that parents are feeling upset about the changes in bell times
- Kids will still need to get up early with going to work, dropping off other kids, then there will be a long amount of time until our school start time
- Extending the day for younger children until 4pm will be hard for kids who lose stamina in the afternoon
- This was talked about at Division School Council superintendent said that finances and contracted services were the reason for the bell time changes.
  Parents asked questions about possibly doing a fee for bussing, changing high school times. Some parents felt like the cost of before and after school care will

- be higher than charging fees for bussing. Worry about getting to community extracurricular activities on time when school ends close to 4pm.
- Tracy and Nicole Encourage parents to talk to board members about their concerns regarding bussing and bell times. This could be done tomorrow morning at the coffee chat at the YMCA
- 9. School Council Adjournment at 7:37pm

Next meeting: May 10, 2021 @ 6:30pm



## Galbraith School Council Society Agenda

April 12, 2022– 6:30 pm Chair of Council – Kira K. Vice Chair – Marlaina D.

In person – Art Room (1<sup>st</sup> floor room 3)

TEAMS link: https://teams.microsoft.com/l/meetup-

join/19%3ameeting ZWE4OTE4NTEtMzZmOS00Zjk1LWJiOTktOTNjZmQ2ZmQyN2Iz

%40thread.v2/0?context=%7b%22Tid%22%3a%223c0e8b63-e64e-4c8d-a40f-

1d213b670472%22%2c%22Oid%22%3a%229b5ac099-f019-4325-ad82-

1af9443363bf%22%7d

- 1. Adoption of Agenda Michelle, Karen
- 2. Minutes of March 2022 School Council Society meeting Nicole, Karen
- 3. Treasurer's Report C.L
- report shared
- closing balance: 3485.29
- money assigned: Kona Ice (\$800), Grade 5 farewell (\$800)
- Kira will talk to Sara Townsend about the Kona Ice event
- 4. Business arising from the minutes
- 5. New Business
  - 5.1 Year End BBQ
  - chips donated from Frito-Lay 400 bags
  - M and M meats \$3.50 per burger, \$3 per hot dog
  - Nicole will buy juice boxes using the school VISA
  - 5.2 Westminster Pool Day tentatively booked for the school just solidifying which dates. Grade 1 and 2 will go one day, Grade 3-5 will go a different day. This would be cost around \$600
  - 5.3 March Madness Jen Samayoa and Kristy Nelson requested support for the literacy March Madness school-wide event. Would like to have students/classes receive the books that were finalists in their draw. Kira think that it would be possible to split the cost of providing the top three books to each classroom approximately \$600 with the school.
- 6. Other items
  - 6.1 Succession Planning New Society Members required
    - Secretary

- Would be good to have a "How To" book with responsibilities, tips on council
- 7. School Council Society Adjournment 8:02pm

Next meeting: May 10, 2021 @ 6:30pm