

APE des Grands-cedres

Minutes 14 Septembre 2020

Members present:

Marie-Pascale Addison
Stephanie Belle Coulson
Elizabeth Platz
Angela Harvey
Brian Callender
Chris Harper

Vanessa Gagnon
Gavin Hastings
Crystal Taylor
Erin Koszegi
Jodie Frank

1. Zoom meeting 645 3054 4922 called to order at 6:35pm. Welcome & adoption of June 3rd minutes as read.
2. Additions to the September meeting agenda – none. Adoption of meeting agenda.
3. Principal's report – Marie-Pascale Addison
 - a. Welcome to all new parents & families at ECG
 - b. Teaching staff for this year, welcoming Mme Sophie Cote in 2/3 and Mme Hannah Lou Montrice. Plus, welcome back to Mme Eve-Lyne in K-1, M. Xavier in 4/5, Mme Andreanne in 6/7, Mme Evelyne Gomes-Vachon in PE/English & Orthopedagogie. Mme Chantal and M William our EAs and Mme Arianne our school secretary.
 - c. ECG Numbers – 65 students enrolled. K/1 – 17 (11 K's and 6 Gr1), 2/3 – 22 (12 Gr 2 and 10 Gr 3), 4/5 – 14 (6 Gr 4 and 8 Gr 5), 6/7 – 12 (7 Gr 6 and 5 Gr 7) Plus 6 students doing the online distance learning.
 - d. Back to school went well. Routines are being established and students are doing well with the learning groups
 - e. New, additional space for English classes has been established upstairs in the sanctuary mezzanine
 - f. ECG began choir lessons in place of the usual dance classes with the help of Pastor Dan and Mme Hannah Lou. Lessons conducted in the music room upstairs
 - g. Events this month:
 - Terry Fox Run – Friday September 18. More info to come home on Wednesday
 - Orange Shirt Day – September 30. Organizing a special guest speaker, more information to come.
 - h. Hot lunches:
 - i. Can be served at ECG this year provided they are prepared and served by someone with their Food Safe certification\
 1. Vanessa Gagnon has this, Crystal Taylor willing to look into it and help out as well

- i. Reminder the school will be closed on Monday September 21
- j. Daycare & future school plans:
 - i. Before and after school program
 - 1. Looking to establish soon. We would need a teacher or aide to run the program, would be run inside the school for the moment
 - ii. Franc Depart – Strong Start program
 - iii. Possibility of finding another school to grow into
 - 1. Adding a grade 8 class next year – 2021 and a grade 9 class in 2022
- k. Meeting with the CSF Treasurer Monday September 28 (postponed from 21st)
- 4. Treasurer's Report – Angela Harvey
 - a. Bank Balance @ August 31 - \$3030.26
 - b. Gaming account - \$2075.59
 - c. Cash on hand - \$365.55
 - d. Quebec 2022 – 1823.89
 - e. Preschool project - \$850.00
 - f. Expecting gaming grant of around \$1000.00 by the end of September
 - i. Can keep the gaming account amount for one more year and then needs to be used up (can be kept for 3 years)
 - g. Motion to adopt report as read: Motioned by Angie, Seconded by Erin. All in favour & carried.
- 5. Vanessa Gagnon – Poinsettia Fundraiser
 - a. Register now to fundraise, till November with delivery in December
 - b. Split proceeds between Quebec trip & preschool project
 - c. Vanessa will organize and need a few parents to help out on the delivery day\
 - d. Liz Platz motioned to accept and go forward with this fundraiser
- 6. Janine Dame raised idea about having a covered outdoor space to shelter from the weather as we work to have the kids outside more
 - a. All agreed that it's a good idea and a removable shelter makes more sense than a built in one
 - b. Steph Coulson has a 10x10 tent previously used as a farmer's market booth that she will loan to the school to try out, perhaps later on if it's a success the school could purchase its own
- 7. Committees to Form:
 - a. Franc Depart program
 - i. Steph Coulson & Crystal Taylor will help with this
 - b. Quebec 2022
 - c. Mme Marie-Pascale will email parents to ask for volunteers to help with the new committees
- 8. Movie Night:
 - a. On hold due to Covid
 - b. Will revisit in January
- 9. Pizza Fundraiser:
 - a. Liz Platz ran one in the summer that was very successful

- b. She will arrange to run another on for the end of September or early October
 - c. Vanessa volunteered to help out
10. Claudia is running a bottle drive
11. Playground drainage:
- a. This is an ongoing problem in the area between the concrete play area and the playground, it becomes a very slippery, muddy mess. The rainy weather is coming
 - b. Mme Marie-Pascale will check with the Church to see if they will help at all
 - c. Ideas to either border a walkway between the play spaces and build it up with wood chips or pallets
 - d. Brian Callender & Jodie Frank to look into places to get woodchips from and possible costs

Meeting adjourned @ 7:24pm.

Next APE Meeting is October 7th at 6:30pm via Zoom
Mme Marie-Pascale will send out a Zoom invite closer to the time.