***Iroquois Jr. P.S.
Parent School Council Meeting
Meeting Minutes 2 – December 2021***

***Date: Tuesday, December 7, 2021
Time: 6:30 P.M. to 7:35 P.M.
Location: Videoconference***

1. **Call to order**

School principal, Ms. Morgan, called to order the second School Council Meeting for the 2021-2022 school year.

1. **Roll call**

The following people were present at the meeting via videoconference:

* Ms. Audra Morgan, Principal
* Ms. Alia Erlich, POR, Special Education Teacher
* Ms. Jane Li, Co-Chair
* Ms. Anna Sin, Co-Chair
* Ms. Tamiko Winter, Treasurer
* Ms. Nina Chau, Secretary
* Ms. Grace Tam, Parent
* Ms. Sarah Juman-Yassin, Parent
* Mr. Terrence Lai, Parent
* Ms. Sue Mizumoto, Parent
* Mr. Raymond Shyr, Parent

All attendees provided a brief self-introduction. New parents, Ms. Mizumoto and Mr. Shyr, were welcomed.

1. **PROGrant**
	1. Ms. Li provided a summary of the PROGrant application, that was submitted on behalf of School Council.
	2. An amount of up to $1500 is available to School Council.
	3. Of the $1500, $300 would be retained for printing costs, with the remaining to be distributed as prizes for each class.
	4. The idea is for students to submit projects online, linking to the school website. One prize will be awarded to one student from each class.
	5. Discussed media release, etc.
	6. Ms. Li to put together student submission criteria for Ms. Morgan to review.
	7. Ms. Morgan suggested that this initiative to proceed regardless of grant approval, even though the likelihood of receiving the grant is high. Current School Budget has $300 allocated for School Council to use if needed.
2. **Holiday Support**
	1. A food drive is being planned for Iroquois. Students will be requested to bring non-perishable items starting on Monday, December 13. Items can be dropped off at the front of the school, in a decorated cart. A separate envelope will be provided for gift card drop off.
	2. Agincourt Community Services Association (ACSA), will pick up the donations on Friday, December 17, in the afternoon. Ms. Morgan requests help from parent at the end of Friday.
	3. Discussed spreading the message out: include in upcoming newsletter, posting on social media, print pamphlet and Google classroom notices.
3. **Vaccine Presentation with TPH**
	1. Ms. Judy Soon is the Public Health Nurse for Iroquois. A webinar for parents has been suggested. This would be about vaccine for children between ages 5 and 11.
	2. Council agreed that it would be too difficult to schedule a webinar before the end of the year. The webinar to be on hold until next year.
4. **Parent Council Follow Ups – Financial Reports**
	1. The School Generation Plan report is required to be submitted from School Council. The report is to identify how money will be spent.
	2. MS. Morgan reported that the School Council only has a budget of approximately $300 carried over from last year, plus $300 from the School Budget. Low funds due to lack of fund-raising activities last year because of the pandemic.
	3. In the interest of time, Ms. Morgan will draft the report and issue it to the School Council for review, including parent representatives. All agreed to this process.
5. **Principal’s Update**
	1. Mr. Tranter was one of two Person of Responsibility (POR) but has now left the school. A request for hire has been issued. Ms. Erlich is the currently the other POR.
	2. A new kindergarten teacher request for hire has been issued today and interviews anticipated next week.
	3. Switch over between in-person and virtual learning will occur on February 22nd, 2022. Possible reorganization may be required.
	4. Butterfly Garden – An Indigenous speaker came to the school to talk about the importance of the medicine wheel. No further work planned until April, when an ecologist will come to help students set up the medicine wheel
	5. Equity PD day was conducted at school and focused on anti-Asian racism, culture revelation and responsiveness.
	6. Results of Student Survey discussed. Majority of students feel that they belong and feel safe.
6. **Open Questions and Answers**
	1. No teachers have been lost due to vaccine mandate
	2. Gifting for teachers is permitted. Teachers will follow protocol for safe handling.
7. **Next Meeting**
	1. Scheduled for Tuesday, January 18, 2021 at 6:30 PM.
8. **Adjournment**

Meeting was adjourned approximately at 7:35 PM.

Minutes submitted by: N. Chau

Minutes approved by: