Lord Tennyson Elementary School

PAC General Meeting

May 25, 2020

via Microsoft Teams

Meeting called to order at 7:15pm

Approval of previous meeting minutes

Approval of April General Meeting Minutes - Barbara Arenson and Karen Davies

Principal's Report - Doug Roch

* Seismic update - project delay due to Covid - anticipated move is now fall instead of summer, most likely Oct/Nov
* staffing update-18 enrolling class room classrooms next year same as this year.
* 422 currently 437 next year
* wait list in most grades
* if you know you're moving please let us know ASAP
* non enrolling pocket is also status quo

Treasurers Report-Nasser Esfahani

* Budget for next year to be voted on at AGM in June
* Nasser went through proposed budget line by line
* E-transfer has been set up to refund Noon Hour Program and Hot Lunch money

Key Topics

* 2020 Graduation - Quebec trip was cancelled, $42,000 was fundraised, group looking to do a trip with the kids before August that would cost $10-$12K, if allowed
* Estimated then $20-$30K would go back to the PAC
* Of this they would like to request $3900 ($100/child) to host some sort of graduation celebration - would include the cost of the yearbook and an appropriate virtual graduation
* Motion to OK above request, that $3900 be given to the grade 7 class for their graduation - Moved by Karen Davies, Seconded by Jennifer Elliott - approved unanimously

Preparation for next month's AGM

* PAC budget will be put forward as per Nasser's presentation
* Elections for PAC executive will occur
* Idea proposed to change some of the names of the positions, kindergarten rep, primary rep, intermediate rep - will discuss further at AGM

Return to School June 1 2020 - discussion led by Doug Roch

* the Province is now in Stage 3 of the Pandemic
* more information will be sent to families on Thurs if you have chosen to send your child back to school
* thanks to families for answering questionnaires sent to them by the school
* we have about 70% of kids saying they'd like to come back (approx 300 kids)
* we also have 85 children of essential service workers
* grades K-5 are allowed to go to school 2 days a week
* grades 6-7 are allowed 1 day a week
* school density target - K-5 = 50% density, 6-7 = 20% density
* this makes scheduling very difficult and complicated
* trying to have siblings attend on the same day
* suggest you say "yes" even if you're on the fence about returning
* trying to return kids to their current teacher, but not always going to be possible
* there are some teachers that can't teach at this time
* you can change you mind if you said yes, and then decide not to send your child
* communication coming on Thurs will include guidelines regarding health and safety
* work with your kids so they understand that school will be very different
* drop off and pick up times will be staggered
* trying to maximize distancing and minimize contact between kids
* stairways will be restricted to certain divisions
* stickers will be on the ground for walking directions
* yellow lanes on floors
* school will take photos and send home in advance so kids can see how it will look
* masks - wear if you want, not mandatory, personal choice
* school building is closed to parents, must drop kids off outside with teacher
* sharing items is discouraged
* things that can't be sanitized in the classroom have been put away
* furniture has been arranged to encourage distancing
* no carpets
* deep cleaning will happen daily
* high touch surfaces will be cleaned 2x daily
* gym and library will be closed unless needed for enrolling classrooms
* not sure if playground will be open - has yet to be decided
* frequent handwashing required
* hand sanitizer for classrooms that don't have sinks
* staggered recess and lunch
* eating in classrooms at own tables
* student items will need to be labelled to reduce sharing
* if child is sick he/she must stay home
* each school has an isolation area
* there won't be any health checks at school, do a self assessment with your child before they arrive
* TOSS and YMCA will be open
* plumbers have come in to inspect sinks - every second sink has been closed off - faucets have been changed to provide a steady stream of water
* SEL - Social and Emotional Learning - will be emphasized
* at home learning will be different because teaches will be teaching in class as well - up to teachers how they handle both
* encouraged to ask questions if you have any

**Next meeting Mon June 15** Meeting Adjourned at 8:35