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### **Coalbanks Elementary School Council**

Agenda – April 19th, 2023 On Teams

- 1) **Call to Order and Land Acknowledgement:** Sarah Janke (Vice Chair) - **Good**
- 2) **Review of Agenda:** Sarah Janke - **Good**
- 3) **Approval of Previous Minutes:** Sarah Janke - **Good**
- 4) **School Admin Reports:** Joey Gentile
  - i. Slow Your Roll Campaign – In memory of Charles Douglas McIntyre
    - Morning of Friday, May the 26<sup>th</sup>
    - Spirit Day – Slow your role. Green Day. Wear green of some sort.
    - 11:30-11:45 early dismissal
    - Cody Hall – teacher at Wilson wrote a song “Slow your role”
    - More info coming, Public Image – signs and shirts. All proceeds donated to fund at Y.
  - ii. Celebration of Learning – 88% attendance
    - How did the format work?
    - Any suggested changes for next year?
      - Allowing for multiple times to go and spread out during the course of the afternoon
      - Great feedback, seeing kids in their environment.
      - Wasn't exactly sure what to anticipate prior to going.
      - Allow A little more time. Have teachers email or update parents for next year to know what to plan.
  - iii. Year end BBQ update – June 13<sup>th</sup> initial evening with the 14<sup>th</sup> as a backup.
    - Bring chairs, blankets, same set up as last year.
    - Trying to combine the Spanish night and year end BBQ.
    - 1200 burgers cooked last year, expecting more this year.
    - Lots of donations coming in.

- Free of charge to all families.
- iv.** Year-End Sports Day – Scheduled for May 24<sup>th</sup> and backup date of May 31<sup>st</sup>. Weather permitting.
- Same day, in case of weather. Trying to see if this works for future events.
  - A number of stations, and people.
  - Request has been made to use park across the street since construction has taken some space.
- v.** Parking and Traffic Concerns
- vi.** May Election – Coalbanks gymnasium May 29th
- Details to be figured out with blast and after school.
- vii.** Classlists – ready the last week of August –
- Won't don't accept request for specific rooms/teachers
- viii.** **viii.** Year-end Assembly – June 27<sup>th</sup> in the pm .
- 2 separate assemblies to accommodate gym capacity and allow parents to be part of this assembly.
  - Tuesday, 27<sup>th</sup> in the afternoon. In order to accommodate, we will have division 1 and division 2
  - k-3 and 4-5.
  - Closer to dismissal time so parents can take their kids and they will be accounted for.
- ix.** Welcoming and Safe Places for All
- Policy 400.1.1 “ Sexual Orientation, Gender Identity and Gender Expression” - [link](#)
  - Safe & welcoming environment for everyone that enters our school and classrooms
  - Welcome Diversity
  - Communicating with your child’s teacher regarding programming.
  - It is not part of our curriculum, more about awareness, less about teaching. Want to be welcoming. Informed

consent. Inform your child's teacher as we approach the month of June. Please let the teacher know if you want them to be excluded from a specific activity.

- Will there be a pride day at the school? No. It will be the entire month. Staff can show support throughout the entire month. In regards to specific classrooms – for example grade 3 – the discussion of families comes up and how they can look different. Teacher specific
  - Sogi guidelines? Work in progress, more of a guideline rather than a curriculum.
  - Better place today than we were last year as far as everyone being on the same page.
  - Books in the Library that are patrolled, no win situation. Some parents want their kids to have access, some don't. There may be books that may be geared towards middle school?
  - Let your child's teacher know if you are or are not ok with these books.
  - Will teachers email parents to let them know what pride month looks like for their classroom – “Informed Consent”. Yes.
  - QUESTIONS – Contact your kids teachers! Let them know if you do not want your child to participate in a specific activity.
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- parents can access SORA which helps them to see the entire collection. This may be a way to help families look at what is available and open conversation with their children

What's the protocol for the teacher when they have a parent who wants these topics discussed and other parents who do not want it discussed. How do you keep both sets of parents happy? We are flying the plane and building it in the sky, we are working and asking families for the flexibility and support and understanding that we are trying to make everyone happy. Conversations that families look different. Balancing act. Personal opinions.

1. education act
2. division policy
3. Curriculum

No pride parade scheduled for the school. Maybe in the future, but not this year.

Now starting all meetings with the land acknowledgment, baby steps, evolving.

**a. School Council Reports:**

- i. Treasurer: Dina Mustedanagic. - No changes - \$6,192.52

**5) Old Business**

**i. Hot Lunch Update: Standing Item**

- Popeyes is next! 5/6 different options. Became available today until May 3<sup>rd</sup>. May 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>. Thanks for our volunteers on delivering the lunch!
- Feedback – last month not a great success, less orders. Probably a vendor we will not use moving forward. Not organized, lots of last minute extra work.

**6) New Business**

**i. AGM Date: June 14<sup>th</sup> or 21<sup>st</sup> 2023**

- Two potential dates. Busy month.
- We do need to advertise these dates to parents, in case someone wants to run for a position.
- 14<sup>th</sup> is the second day for our year end BBQ.
- 21<sup>st</sup> AGM 6:30-7:30PM!
- If you want to run, please mark the dates.
- Dina will be leaving, we will need a new treasurer!

**7) Adjournment**

1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Dina and Kaylee

**Next Meeting: June 21<sup>st</sup> (for AGM) in Commons area**