

CROSSROADS PUBLIC SCHOOL

School Council Minutes

Tuesday, September 28, 2021 at 7:00 pm

[TEAMS Meeting](#)

1. **Welcome and Call to Order** - Sophia Vollmer - Amanda motioned to open the meeting, Magdalena seconded
 - Confirmation of Quorum
 - Role of the School Council - provide meaningful input in school life. Express opinions, observations. Great link between school and community.
2. **Review and Approval of Previous Meetings' Minutes** - approved by Carrie, seconded by Amanda.
3. **Chair's Report** - Sophia Vollmer
 - Meeting schedule and times - fourth Tuesday of each month, excluding Dec, March, and June.
 - Member List - Email Melora if you would like to be a voting member at melora.brewster@dsbn.org. As a voting member, you are required to attend five of the seven meetings throughout the year. Anyone is welcome to attend the meetings without being a voting member.
4. **Elections**
 - Review of Council Executive Structure
 - Election of:
 - Chair - Sophia Vollmer
 - Co-Chair - Carrie Plaskett
 - Treasurer - Magdalena Bator
 - Secretary - Melissa Saxton
5. **Principal's Report** - Kate Fish - Crossroads has 435 students in-person, only 12 students online this year. No COVID cases yet during the pandemic. Reminders to socially distance, wash hands, keep masks on.
 - New staff: Roz Pagendam (contract teacher). Danielle Smith (LTO for Jenny Stewart-Teighgraf), Lida Ruller (half-time LTO until Dec for Nancy Romanowich), Mrs. Moretton (LTO for Tracey Kent). We are focusing on our commitments during PD days - making sure we are creating caring conditions. Creating conditions where students feel comfortable and take risks. Teacher commitments - collaboration, creativity, curriculum, community, compassion, character. Sept has been focused on community - creating a school environment. Getting to know each learner, and what their needs are through IST blitz, BAS assessments.
 - Terry Fox - Crossroads Crosses Canada, everything is collaborative, how much we can do as a school together. Every child matters, everyone will have a hand

on the board. Teachers are focusing on as much social and emotional learning in classrooms as possible. Youth counsellor is running programs in every classroom focusing on building resiliency and self-regulation skills. Mindfulness resources have been purchased in order to help manage stress and anxiety.

- We received a donation from a family last year and have started building Coyote Zen Den. Furniture, plants, books, fish tank, colouring books, pencil crayons, yoga mats, safe place for a break.
- Next week is Fire Prevention week, swag bags coming from volunteer firefighters. Terry Fox Walk next week, Assembly on Friday, Rowan's Law Day on Wednesday, National Day for Truth and Reconciliation on Thursday. Hallowe'en is to be determined. Cerebral Palsy Day is next week. IEPs will go home in October. Oct 20 is Take Me Outside Day - kits from board, at least one hour outside that day. Picture Day is Nov 12. Cross-country is still being hammered out, starting soon, permission forms going home tomorrow. Intermediate soccer will be offered. World Teacher Day on Oct 5 - Council voted to spend \$500 from School Council budget on a gift for each classroom - perhaps a resource to go along with social-emotional learning at school.

6. Treasurer's Report

- Kate Fish will report School Council current finance report - account balance is \$12 790.44.

7. **Other** - Amy - Fundraising Committee is always looking for new parents to join, contact Amy if interested. The possibility of being involved in the Santa Claus Parade was discussed.

8. Looking Ahead to our Next Meeting on October 26th, 2021 at 7:00pm

9. **Adjournment** - adjourned by Gina, seconded by Magda

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