

## Kingswood Elementary

## School Advisory Council

Minutes for October 18, 2022

Present: Andrea Briand, Carrie McBay, Martha Walsh, Kelli Crocker, Claudia Turner, Vanessa Valentini,

Jennifer Cooper, Keely Hollis, Joanne Treen, Alexis Lister (via phone)

Regrets: Rhonda Izzard

#	Topic	Discussion	Decision/Action
1	Call to Order/Approval of Agenda	Meeting called to order at 5:35pm	
2	Approval of Last Meeting's Minutes	1 <sup>st</sup> Vanessa Valentini 2 <sup>nd</sup> Martha Walsh	
3	Business Arising from the Minutes	None	
4	Reports	Principal's Report	
		<ol> <li>School update         Enrollment down slightly (808 students).         Some families have moved out of area.         There are 33 classrooms at Cap. Preprimary enrollment is stable at 73 students (4 classes in 4 big classrooms). The preprimaries have access to a gym and lots of outdoor play at parks.</li> <li>Still having issues with bussing. Afternoons have improved, all busses now arrive at the school by 3:15pm. Mornings remain a challenge with bussing arriving late, between 8:45 am - 8:55 am. The late arriving morning buses are having an impact on attendance, music, and physical education. It likely won't improve with the onset of bad weather or road construction.</li> <li>What's Happened         Terry Fox Run was held on September 28, 2022. The younger grades ran around the bus loop while the older grades ran around the field.</li> </ol>	

Curriculum Night/Open house was also held on September 28, 2022.

Orange Shirt Day was held on September 29, 2022. All classes received age - appropriate information about residential schools.

Truth and Reconciliation Day was observed on September 29, 2022.

School Photos were taken by Adams photography on October 11, 12, 13. Retakes are scheduled for November 18, with the photos (hopefully) returned before Christmas.

Second fire drill was held, it went ok. Not quite as fast as the first.

Lockdown Drill was a success.

Class Trips grade 5 and 6 classes went to the Milk Sport Fair. 4 classes (McLeod, Treen, Power, Mitten) went apple picking. Lots of criminal record checks and child abuse registry forms have been submitted. Forms can be up to 3 months old and will be held for three years. Someone could have a criminal record, and still attend field trips, it would depend on the offence.

Grade 6 students were assessed on reading, writing (last week) and math assessments (today). May's grade 3 assessments came back today. Overall students were above the provincial average. English students wrote LA and Math, FI students wrote the math.

## 3. What's Coming Up

Elementary Road Safety meeting: There is still grant money to be spent. There are either cost too much money or the city objects. Bike Rally in the spring with bikes, helmets, and arm bands.

Line painted in the bus loop to keep kids out, bike racks. Transportation issues have shifted since the peak of COVID. Issues with navigating to the school for student who walk and bike. The numbers of older kids who walk and bike have changed, many go Rocky Lake. We acknowledged Dwarfism Awareness Day by wearing green. Family Halloween Movie Night: Looks like the students may have voted for Hotel Transylvania. Standing room in gym is 874. The space is capped at 400 people. Over 200 tickets sold. \$2.50/ person. Some folks have paid for additional tickets that will be made available to families who might not be able to afford tickets. Movie is 1 h 30 mins. Conference Day is a no school day for students. Teachers get together for PD throughout the Province. Photo re-take day is November 18, 2022. Assessment and Evaluation Day is November 21, 2022 Report Cards go home on November 30, 2022 Holiday Concerts for P-2 students (still roughly 300-400 kids) on December 13-14 and a potential weather day. A spring concert will be held for grades 2/3-6 4. SSP Continue to track literacy and math. Focus on P-3 Literacy and 4-6 Math Fluency Facts **New Business** Discussion: Holding an open house or curriculum night ahead of the start of school. At KES (especially), there is some last-minute shifting of class arrangements. This year, every parent who

		wanted to come into the school was able to do that.  Paying Staples for school supplies: issues, everything matched, people who didn't want to participate, wanted to opt out. Something to consider for future.  November 1st is a date being floated for some news related to the Broad St school boundary review. There should be some form of consultation but uncertain what that might look like.	
6	Next Meeting Date and Adjournment	Next meeting set for November 22, 2022 Meeting Adjourned at 6:30 pm	