# High Park School Council Meeting Minutes October 27, 2021

### 1. Welcome and Introductions, Attendees:

- Garette Tebay School Principle
- Catrin Thomson Secretary
- Pam Russ
- Leanne Refuse
- Kaylie Dumont
- Jennifer Reed
- Claire
- 2. Trustee Report:
  - Trustee will rejoin School Council Meetings in November when the Municipal Elections are complete.

## 3. Principles Report:

 Currently working on the school development plan. The principal will look at the annual education report as well as a survey that goes out to all the parents / students/ teaching staff of grades 4 and 7. Data was then compiled and compared to determine the path forward with any improvements or changes required. 3 recommendations came from the data.

1. Be more consistent in the wording and programs we use when teaching children so that students can focus more on learning the new required skills and not the language used to teach the skill. This is especially important regarding literacy and numeracy skills.

2. Make sure students feel they belong at school and have pride in attending. It is important that they feel there is a place for them at school.

3. Make sure teachers are doing alright.

• Teachers have been split into task forces in order to focus on the recommendations as they come forward. On PD days teachers meet to work on the task force recommendations. This helps organize the needs for the teachers and the school.

#### 4. AP's Report:

• Special Education Documents are now online in Powerschool.

#### 5. Council of School Council Report:

- To be presented in November.
- 6. Open Discussions:
  - There is a lot of concern from parents regarding COVID but these concerns are addressed by the teachers on a class by class basis.

#### 7. Information from the PAL Meeting:

- The Hot lunch program is starting in December.
- PAL is looking for members for its fundraising committee.
- 8. Vote to Adjourn:
- 9. Next meeting:
  - November 17, 2021 at 7pm.

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