

St. Teresa's | *École Ste-Thérèse* School Council Meeting Minutes Tuesday 12 December 2017, 6:00pm

In attendance: Kyran Dwyer, Jarrett Morgan, Kelley Bromley-Britts, Beverley Bailey, Barb Hennessey, Jason Shaw, Joanne Saunders, Kim Devlin.

Minutes by: Kim Devlin

Approve last month's minutes: Jason and Barb

KYRAN'S REPORT

School Development:

- Plan isn't with Kyran yet. He will get it soon.
- 69 families responded last year to the School Development Survey – www.gov.ca
- ATIPP went out to someone in the school community through the school board.
- There are things that are going on in the school that are making some kids feel unsafe. The school is struggling to cope with various behaviours.
- Surveys are directed at : parents, staff – both instructional and non-instructional, grades 3–6. They change the grades each year. That info will be online in the next few days from the latest survey.

Parent-teacher conferences:

- Some parents are just not coming to the conferences. The school really wants to encourage these parents to come in. Some of them may have had poor school experiences themselves, so they don't want to come in for their children.

KES Breakfast Club:

- 8:00–8:55am – Looking for volunteers. People don't even have to come for the full hour. *Any* amount of volunteer time helps.
- Nothing gets thrown out at Breakfast Club now. Cups are washed! The Earth rejoices!

Fine Arts Concert:

- The children performed so well. Acting and band. Fantastic turnout, too.

Choir Performance at the Sheraton:

- Great feedback. The elementary choir performed.

Field trips:

- Lots of field trips happening in various grades. The Kindergarteners went on their first field trip to the Fluvarium.

AED:

- Automated External Defibrillator has been installed. There will be a learning run-through. Sherry Healey from the Heart and Stroke Foundation will be the instructor.

EPI pens:

- We should have extra ones in the office, but they're given by prescription. Might be done by weight, the dosage. Each child with life-threatening allergies needs to have two EPI pens, but they're expensive (\$75–80) and they expire every two years.

Movie Night:

- Dec. 19th with popcorn!

Pancake breakfast:

- Last day of school at breakfast – Dec. 22. Closed at 1pm. Serving the students in their classrooms.

Behavioural issues:

- Kyran is having a hard time with behavioural issues with some children. He wants to try and communicate more with them, particularly at the beginning of the day. He wants to help the kids manage their behaviour, be aware of their behaviour, get connected with their emotions, etc.
- Some kids are blowing up at school. Some are hitting, punching, kicking others, including teachers.

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- <http://www.pathstraining.com/>
- West coast program. It's (unfortunately) expensive. Through the Dept. of Education. Five or six schools in Corner Brook. Teaching kids about social and emotional learning.

Next meeting: Tuesday, Jan. 16, 2018 at 6pm

Motion to adjourn: Kelley and Kim