

Uxbridge Public School
School Community Council Meeting Minutes
Virtual Meeting –March 18, 2021

Chairperson: Sarah Pratt

Vice-Chairperson: Nicole Zambri - resigned

Treasurer: Hayley Flear

Secretary: Kelly Dalby (absent)

Volunteer Coordinator: Rayna Davies

Voting Members in Attendance: Sarah Pratt, , Heather Stover, Rayna Davies, Cynthia Kennedy, Phillip Daly, Bonnie Daly, Sara Bibb, Kelly Fitz, Rachael Harrison, Nathalie Crewes, Selena Tandon

Non Voting members: D. Burrige, T Watt, Melissa Briggs

Other Members in Attendance: Laura Boire (CUPE Rep)

Administration (non voting): Debbie Sansford (Principal), Sarah Perry (Vice Principal)

Absent: Kelly Dalby.

Meeting Minutes

1. Sarah Pratt called the meeting to order at 7.05pm
2. Land Acknowledgement – read by Debbie Sansford
3. Opening messages from the chair - Sarah Pratt
 - a. Welcome and thank you for everyone's patience - it has been a long time since our last meeting. Please add scc305@scc.ddsbc.ca to your email to avoid messages from this account going into your spam folder.
 - b. After our last meeting we made a call out for donations of recreation items for cohort friendly recess activities. Many items were donated and we sincerely thank all the families who supplied games, balls etc. In addition to these donations we also need to recognise Colleen Andreassen who stepped up in a big way. Her company, McKenzie RV Trailers, together with the support of Pat Higgins of Canadian Tire came forward with an RV Trailer stocked with toys, games, balls, chalk and snow paints. A very special thank you for your support!
 - c. UPS had another successful year at the Annual Fantasy of Lights display. Thanks to Heather Stover for taking the lead on the UPS display - This was the busiest year for the display at Elgin Park and it was great to see the school represented so beautifully.
 - d. General Liability Insurance has been paid - Thank you Laura Boire for taking care of that.

- e. On a sadder note - Nicole Zambri has decided to resign from the position of Vice Chair.
- f. Laura Lee has been called back to her DDSB board position and will no longer be the teacher rep
- g. A google form was posted on UPS PARENTS Facebook group and distributed via email in order to gather any questions, feedback, areas of concern from our school community and be addressed as part of our SCC meetings. We hope this allows for a broader outreach and that these meeting minutes can then be read online and accessed by all.

4. Admin Report

- a. Welcome Sarah Parry as our Vice Principal. Sarah is French Speaking and is helping with updating library content and the introduction of the MATHOLOGIE series in french for our students
- b. Meeting Minutes will now be posted online - Thanks to Sarah Parry for working with IT to get this problem resolved
- c. Thanks given for feedback from google forms - these items have been included as part of admin report.
the questions received were as follows:

What would you like to hear more about in the Principal's Message?
How racism, anti-Black racism, anti-Indigenous racism transphobia and homophobia are being dismantled (what is happening and what can we expect to see in classes, what professional development, what monitoring, hiring)
Thank you for the tremendous staff effort required through the pandemic to keep students safe at school! Educators have had to take on a health & safety education and enforcement role, and we are so grateful to all of you. I would be interested to know what will happen to ensure high standards continue as we now enter the 3rd wave? For example: Are students (especially intermediates that are allowed more freedom with increased self responsibility) being as diligent about independently hand sanitizing? Is everyone still wearing their masks securely at recess while exerting/exercising? Wearing a mask properly, even when playing sports, shows respect for others. The 3 "pillars" of pandemic protection (distancing, masks, and clean hands) will be so important this Spring with the more highly contagious variants of concern in the community. The actions of each individual help to create a safer school environment for all. We want to continue to feel like school is as safe as possible. Thank you.
Re: Recess activities. My daughter says she doesn't have toys, balls or games to play at recess. What happened to the donations?
Are there any updates on Grad? I can let you know what the parent Grad committee is up to.

- d. Admin report added to meeting minutes as a link to presentation doc:
https://docs.google.com/document/d/1ohJus2beVkamVxnFVg_t6tncAGYyJJglvyePW8vQYuM/edit?usp=sharing

5. Teacher Report - N/A
6. CUPE Rep report - Laura Boire
No new report this month
7. Treasurer Report - Hayley Flear
General Insurance Paid. No other financial items to report
8. Closing notes - Sarah Pratt
 - a) We will continue to send out a google form/call for questions 1 week prior to each SCC meeting as a way to increase our outreach and provide a reliable way to improve our communication within our community
 - b) Questions regarding Grade 8 Graduation can stay online after scc meeting.
Public Health to provide guidance re: gatherings/grad ceremony/ photographs
School will provide "Class of 2021" Hoodies
 - c) Fundraising idea to be distributed to scc voting members. will vote on using fundraising dollars to replace consumable recess items such as sidewalk chalk, replace balls and perhaps permanent painted games such as hopscotch, snakes and ladders etc on paved play area

Next Meetings scheduled for;
7pm Tuesday 20th April , 2021
7pm Tuesday 11th May, 2021

Meeting Adjourned at 8.02pm - Sarah Pratt