

Parent Council Minutes for October 17, 2017

Present: Trina Boymook, Adrienne Drebert, Heidi Peters, Kimberly Teeuwsen, Devon Marshall, Melinda Biel, Elaine Reed, Andrea Breitzkreuz, Darlene Janzen, Francis Poole

Special Guests: Jill Adams, Director – Foundation for His Ministry and Esther Torres, Leader – Education Center

Absent: Shannon Anderson

Motion to accept previous minutes made by Adrienne, seconded by Kim and approved by Parent Council.

Reporting:

1. Budget – Adrienne
Account Balance: \$25,685.14, \$3,697.53 designated for missions, \$21,987.61 available to Parent Council. Next meeting to pre-approve expenses for the year.
2. COSC – Devon
 - a. September's Mix and Mingle saw the largest turnout for a COSC Meeting
 - b. EIPS met with Minister Eggen
 - i. There is some micro-managing going on, which is felt has the potential to add unnecessary administration fees
 - ii. School Calendar Survey coming out to parents later this month – encouraged to request to see two years at a time if there is space to do this.
 - iii. Future Topics that may be discussed at COSC Meetings: EIPS Philosophy and big picture for where Education is headed, Updates on Curriculum Development, Resource Fair (What EIPS offers), BYODevice Discussion, Budget, Results Review, Role of School Councils, Future Plan for Rural Ed. Let Devon know if you're interested in any of these!
 - iv. Act to reduce school fees discussion happen at our Nov. council meeting.
3. EIPS Trustee Report – Trina
 - a. Survey for 2018/19 Calendar at the end of the month. Public has two weeks to respond. Feedback to guide the building of the calendar options the board will decide on at the Dec. Board meeting.
 - b. Junior High students to have digital access to their report cards.
 - c. Consultation with Minister Eggen discussed common age of entry, age of access, 2.4km service limit (conversation is for French Immersion regarding transportation fees.) It is noted that Minister Eggen took \$10M from high school revenue to fund eliminating the school fees – there will always be tradeoffs, what are you willing to trade?
 - d. School Councils to have discussion on School Fees and Devon to report on these conversations at the COSC meeting in Jan.
 - i. As it relates to fees:
 1. What makes up your fees?
 2. Are you in favor of fees?
 3. What would you be willing to pay or give up?
 - ii. As it relates to field trips:
 1. How many field trips is enough?
 2. Should there be a minimum and maximum?
 3. Can families afford to pay for these?

Action Items:

1. PAT Results – Jaime

		SCA	EIPS
LA 6	Acceptable	100%	92.2%
	Excellence	55.3%	24.1%
Math 6	Acceptable	95.3%	80%
	Excellence	40%	17.8%
Science 6	Acceptable	97.6%	88.4%
	Excellence	69.4%	42%
Social Studies 6	Acceptable	98.8%	85.3%
	Excellence	52%	32.3%

Another strong showing for the students! They have worked hard and are assisted by strong teachers, supportive families and a good curriculum.

Note: This is the year of MATH!

2. Bible Memory Program: Continue to work on the Big 5 and Psalm 23:1-6
3. FFHM Education Center Presentation – Jill Adams and Ester Torres
Shared some stories of how God is changing the lives of Mexican people through the work of the mission.

Next Meeting: Nov. 8 @ 7:15 – 9:00 pm