

Clarke H.S. School & Community Council

Thursday, Oct 19, 20223

7:00 pm

In Person After Parent/Teacher Night

Agenda

1. Call to order and welcome.

In Attendance:

Chris Scott
Vikki Ernst
Trevor Stone
Arnold Mostert
Josh Mostert
Ms Elchyson
Cassandra Pearson

Regrets:

Maya Wade
Kym Sorgenfrei

2. Approval of last meeting's minutes. Motion Passed Arnold 1st, Trevor 2nd
3. Hear reports from:
 - A. Administration: Trip to Toronto Zoo, Hosted Volleyball Tournament, Pines Invited to Tournament as part of exposure to Clarke, Cross Country Running, School Improvement Planning will be focus on PA Day in Nov. Mental Health rolled out to Grade 9's then possible to rest of school: Focus on Exams & Anxiety how to reduce. Terry Fox Run went well, done with Pines.
 - B. Staff: N/A
 - C. Student Council: Preparation for Halloween Spirit Days and Dance.
 - D. SCC Executive members: N/A
 - E. Regional Council: First meeting Date set for Oct 25, Lydia Trulls Public School. Chair to send out dates of future meetings to group. Added Note: Oct 30 @ 5 pm Pines Parent Council meeting. Will be attending and Vikki and Josh will try to attend as well to answer questions about Clarke.
4. Parent questions and new business
 - a. Ms. Elchyson (Guidance) Important Post-Secondary Deadlines for Grade 12's: Presentation to Sr Grades on Dates and provided info at Parent/teacher night on deadlines for University and College applications. Explained the process and those who are interested to speak to guidance about various grants/scholarships.

- b. Music Counts Application Update: Admin/School portion of funding and inventory forwarded to Vikki Ernst for her and Mr Mills to complete. Wont make the Early Bird Deadline but working on Grant. Based on lack of School band part of grant application to be modified.
- c. Parent Outreach Grant Topics to be discussed: Host Movie Night, Parent Council Information Sessions (How to apply to Post Secondary, Mental Health, Co-op Programs etc): Based on Discussion with Ms. Elchyson develop dates and plan to request funding/grant to educate parents and promote: Specialist High Skills Major (SHSM) and Co-op programs from Clark. Target will be Grade 10 parents and the Pines to have them learn more about opportunities at Clarke.
- d. Discussion on Possible Fundraising – Goal of Fundraising: School Colours Event Tent and/or School Mascot. Looking at cost for next meeting to set \$ Goal. Then create fundraising campaign.
- e. Creation of Parent Council Page on Edsby?: Looks like it may be possible and have automatic enrolment for parents. This will be a year long project no rush to create.
- f. Other new business?? None.

5. Next meeting: Nov 30, 2023 (Virtual)

Up Coming Dates:

Annual Parent Conference

Save the date – KPR's Annual Parent Conference is returning the morning of **Saturday, October 21** as a virtual event, featuring keynote speaker Dr. Jean Clinton!

Through the context of building resilience and healthy relationships, Dr. Clinton will share practical strategies to empower parents and caregivers to support their children during important transitions and create conditions to help them thrive throughout their educational journey and beyond!

Thursday, October 26th - **Picture Retake Day**

Wednesday, November 1 - **Grade 9 Take Our Kids To Work Day 2023/2024**

6. Meeting adjourned