

William Cook Parent Advisory Council

Meeting Held on Tuesday, December 7, 2021

At 6:30pm, Conducted via Zoom

Minutes

Welcome and Introductions: Mr. Chan, Mr. Kibblewhite, Laura Margolin, Jody Kovacs, Ms. Nicole Widdess (Guest)

School Administrator Report – Mr. Chan/Mr. Kibblewhite

- Mr. Chan reported that Cook Elementary is currently fully staffed. Cook was short staffed until recently. Now there are 13 EAs, 2 helping staff and 4 noon hour supervisors currently employed at Cook.
- Winter Break is from December 18, 2021 until January 3, 2022. Upon returning to school in the new year, Mr. Chan and Mr. Kibblewhite will be replaced with Ms. Widdess and Ms. Sood.
- Ms. Tan from Division 14, teaching grade 2/3, will be replaced with Ms. Chieu while Ms. Tan will be away on maternity leave.
- Mr. Chan will be promoted to principal at Walter Lee Elementary and Mr. Kibblewhite will return to his retirement. Thank you Mr. Chan And Mr. Kibblewhite for the positive impact you made at Cook Elementary, you will both be missed.

Mr. Chan then reported on 3 disturbing events that have taken place at Cook while school was not in session. The RCMP have been involved in all 3 events.

- First Event:

A portable was broken into

- Second Event:

Entry was gained into the main school via the roof. The alarm was set off. Damage was done to one of the water bottle fill stations. No teachers reported anything missing.

- Third Event:

Inappropriate Graffiti was written on the side of the school near the basketball court. This is considered Vandalism and the RCMP were called. Two individuals were detained by the RCMP.

The RMCP have been requested to be around Cook Elementary more on the weekends and during the evening. The administrative staff want to ensure Cook is safe to each student each day. The RCMP have recommended to have extra lighting around the dark spots at the school. The staff have been teaching the students 'see something, say something' as it fits in with the moto at the school.

Chair Report – Laura

- Laura reported that the gaming grant has been received for \$9,960.
- The profit from the holiday cookie kit is \$690. The general account is currently \$13,567.96 and the gaming account is \$3,209.52.
- Laura asked Mr. Chan to consult with the teachers regarding their 'wish list'. There have been many staff talking about new outside equipment for the students.

Mr. Chan and Mr. Kibblewhite thanked the PAC for the work that they do through the year. The PAC thanked Mr. Chan and Mr. Kibblewhite for their contributions they have made to Cook Elementary.

- Next PAC meeting is Tuesday, February 8
- Laura adjourned the meeting at 7:05pm.