



AGM COUNCIL MINUTES

Foundations for the Future – North Middle School

Date | time 5/24/2017 7:00 PM – 08:00 PM

In Attendance

Council

Lisa Chin, Secretary
Faruq Suleman, Chair
Sharon Zerk, Vice-Chair
Rhonda Rempel, Community Coordinator
Susan Hendry, NMS Partnership Coordinator

Staff

John Deines, Principal
Shawna Drummond, Associate Principal

Board

Wayne Weinheimer

Guests

Natalie Powell
Linda Bratrud

Absent

Erica Oseen, Community Coordinator
Alka Chandiramani, Hot Lunch Representative
Raj Sandhu, Hot Lunch Representative
Sukhmeet Dhillon, NMS Partnership Coordinator
Jennifer Cheah (Mei Yoong Cheah), Treasurer
Candace Kraushaar, Teacher
Danny Williamson, Teacher

Meeting called to order at 7:05 pm

Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve May 24, 2017 agenda as distributed.

- Motion – Sharon Zerk
- Second – Faruq Suleman
 - Motion to approve May agenda was passed at 7:07 pm

Chairs report

Solid year with a decent financial position. Council has had 8 meetings this year (not including this AGM). Our transition meeting is on June 12, 2017. The council has worked diligently with community and building partnerships with student leadership council, supporting teacher led learning initiatives, facilitating the acquisition of equipment including some pieces for the library. Providing a token of thanks for the teachers and staff for all that they do for our children. We did the welcome back breakfast, winter festival (thanks for the associate principal and her support staff for this). Sharon helped with that quite a bit as well. Pink Shirt day it was nice to contribute with something tangible for the kids to walk away from. We will be supporting the grade 8 grad. Teacher conference meals and a year-end gifts. The parents in our school and the parents on council we are appreciative of. The children do like having us around even though they may not show it always. On behalf of the NMS, Faruq was honored to serve this year and thank you for the support. Special thanks: none of this would be possible without YOU, the PARENTS, who give of your TIME and FINANCIAL generosity. WE could not do it without you! Thank you-we haven't forgotten it and while your kids may not always acknowledge it, they remember and are always pleased when their parents come out to a school function, show up to a field trip for any other number of ways you make a difference. In closing, on behalf of the NMS Council for the 2016/2017, Faruq wanted to thank you for all coming out this year and helping us to make this school a better place for our students, our teachers, and our Administration.

Board Update

Wayne said on behalf of the board thank you to everyone for your time and dedication. Your work is appreciated from all of the FFCA stakeholders. Thank you for all of the time we have put in. Moving into their last year as a board, there will be elections. They have had a parental partnership survey and passing parental partnership and the uniform survey will be coming out. The board meetings have been moved to the campuses, they love it and the campuses love it as well. They want to include all of FFCA's stakeholders even more so starting to put out calls for committees with specific skills, calls on by-laws committee. There will be other committees coming up ie: Nomination committee, audit committee. We have a wide range of skills in our parent committee and this is a great way to pull from those skill sets. Reiteration that the purchase of the building has been approved starting in July 1st or maybe June (Rita would know for sure the closing date) for the head office. Faruq looks forward to a September opening.

John Deines Update

- There is a thread of food that council seems to be helping with. This is a good thing, teacher appreciation, welcome back breakfast, conference time they see the fellowship at their best and there is comfort in and that is a natural fit for what council does (not seen as our only role but it is a great cornerstone). From an administrative role they are grateful for our contributions. The pink shirt day and grad and the support on the library plays a lasting important role that we should all be proud of especially us on the board to take these initiatives. Especially their connection with the parents.

John Deines (Nominations for School Council)

- Chair-

- Vice-Chair-Sharon Zerk nominates herself
- Treasurer-Jennifer Ho (Cheah)
- Secretary-
- Parental Partnership Coordinator-Susan Hendry (Faruq nominated)
- Community Service Coordinator-
- Fundraising-
- Hot Lunch Coordinator-Shannon Middlemiss and Terri Sartori (Sharon nominated, they both had emailed their interest in this role)
- Member at large-Rhonda Rempel (added in this role as Rhonda didn't want to commit to a specific assignment but wanted to do something)
 - John wanted to confirm that those that have been nominated that are not present sent something in writing that they would like these positions. According to the by-laws we need it in writing. Sharon did receive this from Shannon and Terri (Co-sharing these positions)
 - If there are any questions on what the roles are on any of these 8 positions let John know and he can review it.
 - Second Call, nobody second called
 - Any questions of the nominees present. Shawna felt that the volunteer appreciation tea (June 8th) this would be a good time to show what is open.
 - Third call for nominations, nobody third called. Anyone that has been nominated and is the sole nominee becomes acclaimed into that position. The co-hosting with Hot lunch would be acclaimed.

Next Meeting

Transiition Meeting Set for June 12s, 2017

Meeting Adjourned: 7:27 pm

Goals of Parent Council...

**To increase Parental Partnership involvement and have all families feel welcomed.
To make sure that our students are number one in all our decision making.**