AGENDA – November 18th, 2024
ANNIE GALE SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING

Attendees: Anisha Premji, Megha Sakhuja, Prital, Gemedi, Muhammed, Ebenezer Odufowora, Gurpreet Brring, Laurel, Tammy, Rumina, Kal, YMCA (Shelina Bata, Jennifer Obeng), Morgan, Daniel,

1. Chair's opening remarks

The meeting started at 6:05 pm
Rumina introduced everyone, including the members of the YMCA (**Shelina Bata and Jennifer Obeng)**.

Jennifer Obeng (Supervisor at YMCA) presented information regarding Youth Outreach Programs. The summary of the presentation was how to engage the youth, connect with them, keep them out of trouble, etc. The program was determined to be needed as it was identified in NE Calgary that youth were disengaged, and they were usually outside of school during school hours, etc.
Outreach program: For ages 12 – 25
The program includes leadership, sports, art, and other activities for the youth
The second presenter was Shelina Bata. The presentations were completed at 6:35 pm.

2. Review of minutes from the last meeting

Rumina passed the motion for the last meeting minutes.
Laurel advised that clarifications were needed on the sentence on how the casino money is spent (will need to correct)
Laurel seconded after the update, All in favor.

3. Principal's Report

Tammy provided the following summary report:

- New staff: Miko Nakamura (2 days a week) supporting EAL learners and students with math and literacy needs – Wednesdays and Thursdays for the rest of the year
- Basketball playoffs starting this week
- Smart Board in band room being installed on Wednesday! Thank you! The teacher told me that last Friday she was holding up her computer for her students to see the screen.
- P/T conferences coming up next week. We are wondering if families still want a blended format (Thursday in person, Friday online or via phone).
    - New process for interpreter services over phone
- Recent HR focus on using the COURAGE model to focus on digital citizenship

- New report card expectations from CBE for comments – you will see some changes on the next report card
- SWAT committee: Student Well-being Action Team. 8 members will be chosen to attend the symposium and work together to increase student well-being at Annie Gale

4. Treasurer's Report

Kal provided updates on the current amount at ATB - $908.56
Fun lunch money will come next

4. Old Business

- ### Bylaws –

  Rumina – will keep the same bylaws. Message will be sent during AGM
  Laurel – asked if voting is only in person.
  Rumina confirmed that voting for the executive roles on the council will only be in person.

- ### Fill the vacant secretary position

  Unless someone shows any interest, we will keep Yeshi for this school year.
  All agreed

  Meeting on Sept 17 (next year) – Paul Davis presentation with kids during the day and with parents at night. May keep the meet teacher's day the same day, but Tammy will check and let us know.

5. New Business

Rumina – fun lunch Nov 21 (A&W (Cristal and Kal will be there)
Dec 12 (Halal) Yeshi, and Laurel will be there

Nisha (one of the parents in the meeting) has a coworker who owns a restaurant, with halal, and will try to get the number and pass it to us. She also suggested checking the fun lunch page, as she could not order some for her kids last time.

Key communicator – Morgan

Morgan provided updates after attending the first in-person meeting since COVID-19:

1. Roman update, 143k students increased from last year and 40k were registered as ESL. Additional resources have been deployed.
2. 30% of schools are full.
3. A desperate need for new schools and modernization.
4. 56% of schools are 50 years old. CBE has 13 school sites ready due to this fund.
5. 5 schools for major modernization, nothing affecting Annie Gale to accommodate more students

6. Schools are 97% full citywide
7. Morgan suggested inviting Trustees to council meetings.
   Laurel – there is a process to invite them. Tammy may need to do the invite.
   Kal mentioned that some came to CJM school in the past and it is possible to include Trustees in Council Meeting
   Morgan also advised that the school funding level hasn't changed since before COVID, but expenses have risen over 30%. A letter has been sent to the Board of Trustees, but not sure when the issue will be addressed as Canada Post is on strike and not sure when the letter will be delivered.

Next, the following was discussed:

- Laurel's update from AGLC on the List of approved expenses

- Kal's update for painting on the Tarmac
- Tammy's renewed list of requests for casino funds

6. Next meeting date and time

January 21 at 6 pm Tuesday

7. Motion to Adjourn

Kal passed a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:11 pm
Morgan seconded.