**McAdam Avenue School**

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**Home & School Association**

**Meeting Minutes**

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| Date: 17 February 2022 |
| In attendance: Amanda Knight, Ashley Murray, Becky Dubay, Dave Burrell, Gillian Allison, Terri MacDonald, Stacey Willis |
| This meeting was called to order □ In person X Virtual (via TEAMS) |
| Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes: Will begin at the next meeting |
| Co-Chairs’ Report: Will begin at the next meeting |
| Treasurer’s Report: Will begin at the next meeting |
| Principal’s Report: Will begin at the next meeting |
| Old Business: |
| New Business: Discussion about Home & School Association guidelines and Executive roles. Determined that there should be Co-Chair(s), Secretary, and Treasurer. Agreed to three signing officers. Agreed that same roles would be reflected in the PSSC.  After discussion by the membership, agreed that Ashley Murray and Becky Dubay would Co-Chair. Amanda Knight would be Treasurer. Stacey Willis would be Secretary. Co-Chairs and Treasurer would be signing officers.  **Amanda, Dave, and Roxy will meet to sort out bank account, tracking, cheques, etc.**  Dave shared there is approximately $3600 in the bank account. He also shared the staff were very pleased and appreciative of their lunch from Street Greek.  Agreed that the guidelines would provide a good framework for Home & School and could be used to encourage other parents to join. Agreed that set roles and responsibilities would improve the effectiveness of the Association. Agreed to meeting fourth Thursday of the month at 6:30PM.  Agreed to send minutes to Dave to have published on the school website.  Anticipated to be moving to Covid Level 1 restrictions. Discussed having a breakfast for the students. Students would have to sit in their bubbles to eat but could have breakfast served in the gym. Kiwanis willing to help. **Date to be determined.**  Winter Festival Week is usually held the week before March Break (March 7-11). Staff have decided it is best to wait until after report cards go home, week of April 19th. Home & School would like to help plan some events for the students.  There are six grade five students graduating this year. The Home & School membership approved purchasing grad sweaters for those six students. **Dave to get the cost and order for the students.**  Every year, on March 21st, people all around the world come together to celebrate World Down Syndrome Day by wearing brightly colored, mismatched socks. For WDSD 2021, the theme is “CONNECT”. The message of the theme is to find new ways for people with Down syndrome to connect with others equally. Gillian shared there is a book called “The Abilities in Me Down Syndrome” by Gemma Keir. There is also one for Diabetes. Dave said he would like to purchase these books for the classroom. The Home & School agreed it would be fun to celebrate this day by purchasing enough socks for all the students in the school, putting them in a big bucket, and having the kids pick out their own mismatched pair of socks to wear that day and to take home. The teachers could read the Abilities in Me book in conjunction with the fun little event. **Gillian agreed to purchase the socks. Dave agreed to purchase the books.** |
| Meeting Adjourned: 7:21PM |
| Next Meeting: Thursday, March 24th at 6:30PM |
| Minutes by: Stacey Willis |