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Meeting Minutes Agenda items

November Meeting Minutes Approved – December 4, 2023 Moved by Paul, Seconded by Carrie

- I. Meeting called to order at 6:34pm.
- II. Opening Prayer
- III. Approval of Agenda

Additions of:

- Summary of school council conference
- Cameras in school

Moved by: Joy

Seconded by: Jacqueline

All in favour – Motion carried.

IV. Approval of October Meeting Minutes:

Motion: Minutes be approved

Moved by: Joy **Seconded by:** Jacqueline

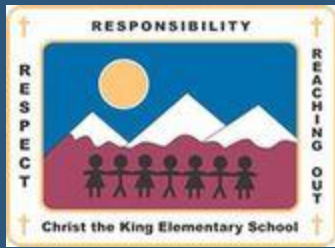
All in favour – Motion carried.

V. Principal's Report

- Reviewed and approved

VI. Cameras in school

- This issue was raised again as a result of the fire incident.
- Currently there are no cameras in school.
- Contemplating adding three cameras to the school; one in the front foyer and two in the hallways.
- Dept of Education has a policy on cameras – adding them to the school may require the support of school council.



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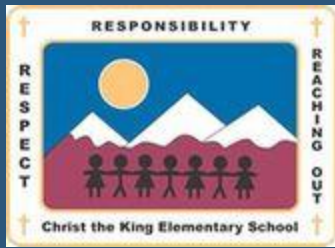
- Council is supportive of proceeding with the request but would like to review the Department's policy before final approval.

VII. Summary of School council Conference – Jacqueline

- Presentation on Territorial Youth Strategy, Communities Building Youth Futures
 - mental health & wellness, youth safety or education, youth wish to be engaged and want to be part of making positive change in schools and communities.
 - discussed youth safety, mental health, youth housing and feeling safe.
- Student Wellness specialists – 5-year term – duties include focusing on student learning and well being, better wellness and connection to culture.
- Panel Discussion on Student Wellness
 - Learned about the work of organizations in support of Yukon Youth in our Schools and beyond. A breakout session was held to discuss the role of school councils and what can be done in support of this important work.
- School Capital Planning
 - - Department of Education and Department of Highways & Public Works
 - In March, the Yukon Government launched a public engagement regarding the future of school facilities to how we upgrade and manage school facilities in Whitehorse.
 - CKES is not currently on the list. Twice a year they visit schools to check on maintenance.
- Promoting skilled trades to youth
- AYSC – presented strategic plan, discussed Teachers on Call and school staffing issues.

VIII. Facilities Condition and Assessment – Paul

- Paul and Melissa met with Dept of Education (DOE) Deputy Minister, Cassandra Kelly, Chris Hanlin, Christine Carruthers
- Council acknowledges a lot of good work has been done – small project upgrades, fixes throughout the building and the parking lot upgrade.
- Council is willing to work in collaboration with DOE.



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- Council would like a building condition assessment completed on the school. This study would help council/school develop a list of priorities and a bigger picture plan.
- Next steps – council would like a commitment/ investment in school assessing the needs of existing buildings and school population.
- Nils Clarke – requested council write a letter to him with the request.
Action Item – Paul to draft letter ad will reach out to HPW DM

IX. Parent Concern - Recess

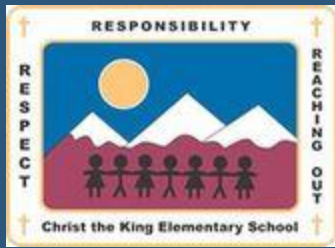
- Parent reached out to council regarding the amount of recess in school day and the limited number of breaks for students.
- The school is not able to lengthen the school day as the school is part of the school system and bus schedule etc.
- Discussed at school council – there are a number of opportunities in the day for students to have brain breaks, exercise in classrooms.
Action Item – Carrie to draft letter to parent.

X. Finance/Fundraising

- No update

Round Table updates

- Food for Learning
 - Rotation/stock up is going well.
 - No update on standing POs yet
- CEAY
 - Spoke with school council liaison – CKES council is in compliance with AGM requirements.
 - Melissa was nominated as second school council representative through email.
 - Administrative clerk position
 - Societies Act – new bylaw changed titles.
 - Each director to review communication strategy with council and follow up with feedback.
- Truth & Reconciliation



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- Commissioner Webber – Melissa reached out and she would be happy to come to CKES and speak with students and staff.
- Plan for mid-January – PD in January
- Will look at week of January 22, 2024 – priority will be to have her speak with students.
- Monique will reach out to Chief Smith to attend school
- The school is taking part in roc your mocs and orange folders given to staff.

CKES Christmas concert will take place Tuesday December 19th – Matinee and evening performances.

Meeting adjourned at 8:33pm

Next meeting – December 4, 2023
