

Percy Centennial School Council- Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, January 10th, 2023

Chair: Tiffany Klein

Attendance: Peter Cain, Tiffany Klein, Shawna Buttar, Catherine Huestis, Katie Laver, Claudia Brenton, Jessica Chapman, Samantha Skinner, Shannon Lackey, and Stephanie Franklin-Allen

1. Meeting called to order at 6:37pm

- Land acknowledgement

2. Minutes of last meeting from Tuesday, December 13th, 2022

- Approved by Stephanie, seconded by Samantha

3. Principal's Report

- Many families and friends of Percy attended the afternoon and evening Winter Concert, and enjoyed the hot chocolate and treats. A second concert will be held in the spring due to the capacity limits in the gymnasium.
- Spirit Week went well (the week before the winter break) despite an inclement weather day cancelling pancake breakfast and P.J day (on the Friday). Pancake breakfast and P.J day has been rescheduled to this Friday (Friday, January 13th).
- Educators are continuing to integrate Indigenous Education into their programming as a way to honour National Truth and Reconciliation. This month, Indigenous Education is being integrated into their literacy programming. Each month Indigenous Education has a specific focus.

4. Teacher's Report

- The Percy Student Leadership team was informed that they are welcome to join school council meetings. Students are interested in attending if school council members have an active role with a specific purpose (e.g., needing their assistance during a strawberry social). The Percy Student Leadership team continues to support all students of Percy as the members manage a variety of fun activities and experiences such as the School Teams Activity days.
- Educators really appreciate the financial support School Council has provided each class.
- Mr. Cain has shown educators a visual representation of what the outdoor learning/ shade shelter will look like. Educators were pleased to hear that there will be one in the future, and understand that the shelter will be located on the junior and intermediate yard; however, all students will have access to it during instructional time.

5. Treasurer's Report

- Current balance in account is \$14 212. This does not include funds from the Apple or Poinsettia fundraiser.

6. Chocolate Fundraiser Update

- Students will be selling Laura Secord chocolate bars for a two week duration (Monday Jan. 30th- Mon. Feb. 13th). There are 30 chocolate bars in a box, and the cost is \$3.00/ chocolate bar (\$90/ box). All families will receive a notice about the fundraiser informing them that the money will be going towards the outdoor learning/ shade shelter, and to provide them with an opportunity to opt out. Families will pick up their box(s) on Monday Jan. 30th, and the money is due Monday, Feb. 13th.

7. Council Roles Video

- Reviewed where School Council videos can be found on the KPR website, and watched the following videos;
 - School Council Chairperson Part 1
 - School Council Secretary
 - Role of the School Council Treasurer

8. Yard and Maintenance

- School yard maintenance is primarily the responsibility of the school board (except for the willow structures, the flower beds in front of the school, and the raised garden beds in front of the school). The facilities department of KPR will further investigate how to manage areas on the school yard where burdock plants invade during the summer months (causing burrs to become an issue for students in the fall- getting on clothing and in hair).
- The front flower beds and the raised garden beds need to be maintained by volunteers. Tiffany Klein has volunteered to educate Percy students (whole class or as a club) about gardening and harvesting. Shawna Buttar will discuss this opportunity with educators.

9. New Business

- No meeting in February as the second Tuesday of the month is Valentine's Day.
- A committee needs to be created for the Dance-A-Thon (in the spring). If members of School Council are interested in joining this committee, they are to let Tiffany know as soon as possible. Stephanie Franklin-Allen confirmed that she will join the committee.
- Percy has received a request to begin the milk program again. The program has not been active since all nutrition programs were ceased due to Covid. Concerns were discussed regarding the milk program previously being managed by the school secretary (it is an extensive responsibility which takes time away from the secretary's pre-existing

responsibilities). Since the nutrition program currently offers milk during breakfast club, the milk program will be considered for the next school year.

10. Meeting adjourned at 8:20pm

11. Next meeting Tuesday, March 7th, 2023 at 6:30pm