

## **Marion Carson School – School Council Meeting**

**Tuesday April 15, 2025 6:30pm**

Attendance:

Kim Harding, Laura Cooper, Laura Hertz, Deb Sabey, Tracy Oh, Devon Karchut, Jenn Adams, Andrew Campbell, Amangi Jayakody, Dustin Durner, Huong Ly, Charlene May

### **General Meeting Agenda:**

1. **Introduction and Call to Order at 6:35pm** (Kim Harding)
  - a. Land Acknowledgement by Devon Karchut
  - b. Motion: Does your School Council approve the presented minutes from the March 18, 2025 meeting?
    - i. Moves: L. Cooper
    - ii. Second: L. Hertz
  - c. Motion: Does your School Council adopt the April 15, 2025 agenda as presented?
    - i. Moves: L. Cooper
    - ii. Second: L. Hertz
  - d. Charlene May introduced herself as School Trustee Representing Wards 12 & 14, noting that the role of trustee is oversight of the system and to advocate to local MLAs and councilors.
2. **Executive Update** (Kim Harding)
  - a. Introduction of School Council Executive and meeting overview
    - i. Chair: Kim Harding
    - ii. Vice Chair: Laura Hertz
    - iii. Treasurer: Laura Cooper
    - iv. Secretary: Vacant (filled in by Jenn Adams)
  - b. Executive Update (Kim Harding)
    - i. All positions will require nominations at the May 27<sup>th</sup> meeting
    - ii. Secretary and Treasurer positions need to be filled
  - c. Additions to Agenda
    - i. No additions
3. **Principal's Report** (Dustin Turner)
  - a. Staffing/Budget Update for 2025-26
    - i. Flat budget for next year (i.e. similar to this year)
    - ii. Projecting slightly less students than 2024-25
  - b. Summary of upcoming events

**4. Teacher's Educational Report (Huong Ly)**

**5. Charlene May, School Trustee Representing Ward 12 & 14 Q&A**

- a. Charlene shared a document of best practices in playground fundraising and planning (not a CBE document) from 2016
- b. Charlene will pass on contact information for organizations that have recently completed new playgrounds
- c. Charlene provided positive feedback on MCPA social media campaign
- d. Charlene noted that inclusive playgrounds are eligible for more grants
- e. Charlene responded to questions regarding
  - i. Contractor discounts
  - ii. Support from community associations
  - iii. Partnerships to revitalize playgrounds
  - iv. Funding support for playgrounds
  - v. School councils planning ahead for future playground replacements

**6. Committee Reports**

- a. Fun Run (Kim Harding)
  - i. 316 registered runners
  - ii. Especially need cheering station volunteers
- b. Fun Lunch – N/A
- c. Casino – N/A
- d. Special Events (Laura Hertz)
  - i. Spring Fling is May 22<sup>nd</sup> with 90's dance party theme including pizza, drinks, candy, etc.
  - ii. Staff appreciation potluck on June 3<sup>rd</sup>
- e. Accessible Creative Playground – N/A
- f. Book Fair – N/A
- g. Naturalization and Play Area Project – N/A
- h. Marion's Meadow Cleanup (Kim Harding)
  - i. Scheduled for Thursday April 17<sup>th</sup>
- i. Parent Education (Kim Harding)
  - i. Online presentation May 1 at 7pm "Growth Mindset"

**7. New Business – N/A**

**8. Meeting Adjournment at 7:35pm (Kim Harding)**

- a. Moves: L. Hertz
- b. Second: T. Oh

## **Marion Carson School - Parent Association Meeting**

**Tuesday April 15, 2025 7:15pm**

Attendance:

Kim Harding, Laura Cooper, Laura Hertz, Tracy Oh, Devon Karchut, Jenn Adams, Andrew Campbell, Amangi Jayakody, Dustin Durner, Huong Ly, Charlene May

### **General Meeting Agenda:**

- 1. Introduction and Call to Order at 7:44pm** (Kim Harding)
  - a. Motion: Does your Parent Association approve the presented minutes from the March 18<sup>th</sup>, 2025 meeting?
    - i. Moves: L. Cooper
    - ii. Second: L. Hertz
  - b. Motion: Does your Parent Association adopt the April 15<sup>th</sup>, 2025 agenda as presented?
    - i. Moves: L. Hertz
    - ii. Second: K. Harding
  - c. Additions to Agenda – N/A
- 2. Committee Reports**
  - a. Fundraising (Kim Harding)
    - i. Wranglers game total update to be provided at a later date
  - b. Special Events – N/A
  - c. Accessible Creative Playground – N/A
  - d. Naturalization and Play Area Project (Devon Karchut)
    - i. Awarded Building Communities Grant from Parks Foundation, which is a matching grant.
    - ii. Plan for grant is required by April 30<sup>th</sup>.
  - e. Book Fair – N/A
  - f. Parent Education Coordinator – N/A
  - g. Apparel Coordinator (Kim Harding)
    - i. Alina will be the Apparel Coordinator for 2025-26
- 3. Parent Organized Grad 6 & Mandarin Grade 4 Grad** (Kim Harding)
  - a. \$225 is available for grade 4 and \$225 is available for grade 6, however a parent representative is needed for each grade
  - b. L. Cooper will send an email to D. Turner regarding parent representatives
- 4. Treasurer Report** (Laura Cooper)
  - a. No significant changes to budget

- b. Will be writing a cheque to Variety Children's Charity for ~\$9-11k from fundraisers and donations

**5. Requests, New Business, Proposals, Additions from 1c**

- a. Music Proposal from Ms. Seto to fund bussing for choir trip ~\$661 total (Dustin Turner)
  - i. Moves to approve: L. Cooper
  - ii. Second: L. Hertz
  - iii. Motion passed

**6. Meeting Adjournment at 8:13 pm (Kim Harding)**

- a. Moves: L. Cooper
- b. Second: L. Hertz