

Crestwood School Advisory Council Minutes

Crestwood's STEM-centered programming fosters an inclusive approach to learning, nurturing collaboration, communication, critical thinking, and creativity. We inspire students and staff to embrace themselves as innovators and problem solvers for the challenges they face, cultivating a mindset for lifelong learning and success.

Time: 9:15am – 9:45am

Date: November 12, 2024

Place: Crestwood School

Attendance: Amy Leprieur, Stephanie Toews, Janice Beswick, Xiuying Huo, Marc Theriault, Yvonne Sissons, Michele Frey, Richelle Thomas, Mike Momodu, Ashley Bainbridge, Nicole Earle

1. Adoption of minutes/Errors or omissions

Marc Theriault moved to accept the minutes as printed. Stephanie Toews seconded, and all were in favor.

2. New Business

- a. Communication & Reporting – Report cards will be coming out on December 6. To learn more about the assessment plan check out the Crestwood STEM School website, under the Assurance tab along the top. You will also find results of recent surveys and PAT scores in this same location.
- b. Calendar of Events – Upcoming events include: November 28 – Exhibition of Learning, December 4&5 – Kindergarten Parent Teacher Interviews, December 6 – Report Cards, December 12 – Family Movie Night, December 20 – Early Dismissal (11:30am) for Christmas break. Upcoming field trips (sponsored by the Parent Council) include: November 14 – Grade 4's to Veteran Memorial Park, November 20 – Grade 3's to Medalta, November 22 – Kindergarten's to Hit The Floor Dance Studio, December 12 – Grade 2's to the Esplanade, and December 20 – Skate-A-Thon for those who wish to participate.
- c. Cold Weather Extracurricular Clubs – Mrs. Thomas provided a calendar of the clubs that will be happening over the lunch break

throughout the winter. Some clubs include: student leadership, digital art, kindness, choir, crafts, intramurals, building, garden club.

- d. Council of Councils – Topics discussed at the most recent Council of Councils were a review of operational procedures, potential changes to the personal device policy, this years ASCA grant, and the Education Foundation is looking for a parent representative to join. If you'd like more information on this meeting check out the MHPSD website under the Resources tab.
- e. Christmas Baskets – The Parent Council would once again like to put together 2 baskets to give to school families in need this Christmas. A sign-up sheet will be sent out shortly for those that would like to donate.
- f. Hot Lunch Update – November 15 – Subway, November 29 – Papa Johns, December 6 – Boston Pizza, December 19 – Papa Johns
- g. Google Form Winner – Congratulations to Emily Nakamarua for winning a free hot lunch for filling out the volunteer google form sent out at the beginning of the year!
- h. Executive Open Positions – There is still a Vice-Chair position open on the Parent Council Executive for anyone that is interested in being a part of the Council. This position typically moves into the Chair position the following year. Please join us for a Parent Council meeting if you would like to learn more!
- i. Supporting Literacy at Home: Virtual Session –
<https://www.mhpsd.ca/event/online-parent-session-teaching-parents-how-to-support-their-kids-with-reading-and-spelling-at-home-20241018145028>

3. Old Business

- a. Halloween Activities – Thank you to Sharah Kershaw for organizing this year, and to all the volunteers who came out to help make this a success for our kids. The event went very well, the kids all had a great time!

Next Agenda Meeting: December 3, 2024

Next Council Meeting: December 10, 2024

We welcome your input – Amy Leprieur (Chairperson)

Crestwood School Parent Advisory Council Minutes

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Agenda

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2. Treasurer's Report

- a. Bingo Treasurer Report/Financial Statement – Balance of \$48,761.26. Adopted by Nicole Earle, seconded by Marc Theriault and all were in favor.
- b. Parent Council Treasurer Report – Balance of \$20,225.25. Adopted by Nicole Earle, seconded by Marc Theriault and all were in favor.
- c. Casino Treasurer – Balance of \$22,969.26. Adopted by Nicole Earle, seconded by Marc Theriault and all were in favor.

3. Committee Report

- a. Bingo Report – Thank you to everyone that helped at the November bingo! Our last bingo of 2024 is on December 12 from 5 – 10pm. Please follow the link on Edsby to sign up if you can!

4. New Business

- a. Mavericks Tickets – We will be selling tickets for the Mavericks very soon. They will be \$12 and can be used for any regular season game. Keep an eye on Edsby for when they will go on sale. They make great stocking stuffers!

- b.** ASCA Grant – Last years ASCA grant was used for a presentation from Madison Cameron on digital safety for kids. We will soon be receiving this year’s grant and are looking for ideas on how to spend it. The ASCA grant can be used to support parent involvement and engagement activities. If anyone has any suggestions, please come to a parent council meeting or speak with any member of the parent council!
- c.** Family STEM Night Prizes – This is happening on January 23, 2025 from 6 – 8pm. Mrs. Thomas has asked for the Parent Council’s support in providing prizes for this event. Stephanie Toews made a motion to spend up to \$120 for prizes, Xiuying Huo seconded, and all were in favor. These funds will come from the Parent Council account.

5. Old Business

- a.** Brewmaster Fundraiser – We raised \$322.85 from this fundraiser. Thank you to all who ordered!
- b.** Papa John’s Fundraiser – We do not yet have the total amount raised; an update will come at next meeting.
- c.** McBride’s Fundraiser – McBride’s raised \$2,586.80 for us through their donut fundraiser. This allows us to purchase a new table for the outdoor learning space. Thank you to McBride’s for this generous event and thank you to all the parent volunteers who helped in the bakery!

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We welcome your input.

Amy Leprieur – Chairperson

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