Cedarview School council meeting September 15th, 2021

In Attendance:, Alain Brulé, Diana MacFarlane, Carlie Gervais, Cheryl Strautman, Carol Laporte, Christa Skil, Gabe Rother, Jennifer Roberts, Diane Lackey, Sarah Misseri, Sarah Steeves, Sarah Wise, Elissa Cohen, Tracy Radbourne, Elvan Kuzucuoglu, Shannon West

Agenda Item	Discussion/Decision	Action Taken/Person responsible
Welcome and introduction	The meeting was called to order at 7:06 pm.	Alain Brule
Approval of Agenda	Agenda reviewed and no additions noted	Alain Brule
Principal's Report	 Alain introduced himself and Vice Principal Diana MacFarlane. Announced that Jody Fillion will be the Teacher Rep on council this year, Reported that school opening went really well likely that students are used to the routine, had approx. 610 students first day. Parking lot was hectic first few days but then sent an email reminder and seems to have improved. Will continue to monitor. Have moved back to full school out for same recess/lunch related to capacity for yard duty teachers. So far seems to be managing well, appears to be enough space for everyone, trying to keep kids in their zones without being too strictly enforced. Have arranged the zones to correlate with pods. Comment that students are doing a good job with hand hygiene. Lockers are starting to be used without locks. Reason for no locks is to avoid congregating at lockers. Parents concerns about valuables addressed by recommending not to put any valuables in the lockers -mostly for the lockers to be used for extra outdoor clothes. Alain reporting that thefts within the school hasn't really been an issue over the years. Reporting that as the year goes on hoping to open up more activities within the school, following recommendations of OCDSB and Ottawa Public Health (OPH). Discussion about not being able to use change rooms for phys ed. This is a school board and OPH decision for elementary and middle school. Secondary school has different recommendations. Congestion in change rooms would be too high if Cedarview were to allow it. School/staff recommending that students dress comfortably for being active. Phys Ed teachers are trying to do more outside activities, less activities that involve high intensity to avoid the need for changing clothing. Extra Curriculars - will be trying to proceed with them as OCDSB gives permission. The school will move forward and inform students/parents as they know more. Hoping to start opening the lib	Alain Brulé

	 space. Library renovations are looking amazing. Bussing - challenges with bus routes are related to driver shortages. OSTA challenged to hire and retain drivers. Alain commending parents for their respectful communication even with the challenges. OSTA not sure when they will be able to reinstate some routes so are offering public transit bus tickets and Presto pass (for month of October). Alain to work with families and OC Transpo routes to determine best fit for solutions. 	
Teacher's Report	N/A – plan to have Teacher Rep at next meeting.	
Treasurer's Report	 Not much new information to share - Carole's last update was that bank account was at \$5208.67 but there are updates that need to happen from the school level. Will have more to report at next meeting. 	Carol Laporte
Other Business	New Council Elected: Chair: Carlie Gervais Vice Chair: Gabe Rother Secretary: Cheryl Strautman Treasurer: Carol Laporte OSASC rep: Sarah Steeves Members at Large: List to be sent via email - please confirm with the secretary if you wish to be added or removed from the council list and if you would prefer to have your position on council adjusted/changed. Fundraising - still to be determined - will have to wait to see what will be allowed and what funds will be needed. Music Classes - Alain reporting will not be able to proceed this year, as not able to proceed at start of year, therefore not able to start halfway through the year as the music teachers have been allocated elsewhere. Question from Tracy - will there be different recommendations from the school board for Gr. 7-8 for extra curriculars vs. elementary as there are more opportunities for Gr. 7-8 to be vaccinated. Alain reported that the hope is that they will be able to move ahead but they likely won't be able to exclude based on vaccination status. OCASC - Sarah Steeves volunteered to sit as representative this year. Dress Code - Alain understanding that there were mixed messages understood by students at start of year. Alain sent out official school board copy of dress code to both teachers and parents during first week of school. Alain had not heard any concerns to date. Discussion that the point is not to be punitive about dress code but rather to have conversations with students if situations occur. Dress code clearly states no offensive/hateful messages allowed on clothing. Orange Shirt Day - September 30, 2021 - question from Sarah Steeves if any specific plans. Alain reporting that Cedarview has booked an assembly from Q Mak and planning a couple of other things from the school and that potentially the school board will be doing something as	

	well.	
Next meeting	 Decision to hold council meetings on 3rd Wednesday of the month Next meeting - October 20, 2021 at 7pm - Alain to send meeting link 	
Adjournment	Meeting adjourned at 8:03pm	