

### ACES Meeting Minutes November 20, 2018, CCHS, 7pm

In Attendance: Nick, Amy T, Lexi, Lindsey, Maureen  
 Ronna at 7:17  
 Melanie at 7:36

Item	Topic	Discussion /Action	Follow Up By Who/ When
1	<b>Call to order 7:04 pm</b>	Motioned by Lexi Seconded by Lindsey	
2	<b>Approve Agenda</b>	Motioned by Lindsey Seconded by Nick	
3	<b>Approve October 16, 2018 Minutes</b>	Motioned by Lindsey Seconded by Lexi	
4	<b>Calendar Updates and Upcoming Events</b>	Winterfest craft night for 5/6 tonight Winterfest craft night for K-4 next week, same night as parent council meeting Monica's presentation tomorrow night Winterfest December 1 <sup>st</sup> Playground committee meeting on Thursday of this week Christmas concert on December 18 <sup>th</sup> Solstice spiral on December 20 <sup>th</sup>	ACES meeting to be moved to the 11 <sup>th</sup> of December to avoid Christmas concert night
5	<b>President</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Reflections on Diane's talk: ACES' answers to survey questions demonstrated that we have a good sense of Waldorf approaches; head, heart and hands theme to be reinforced between ACES and admin and hopefully throughout the school; was good to reinforce the Waldorf approaches (reminder of key themes); Diane did a great job of presenting; attendance was good; good and appropriate links between the nature and the Waldorf component; the need for sleep and human contact is really important, now more than ever.</li> <li>2. History doc: Everyone good with vision, mission, and pillars of the program.             <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. History - Soften language around "they were turned down" instead "it didn't work for a variety of reasons." Add "which created the opportunity for the advocates to think big about what the best school would be (combining the</li> </ol> </li> </ol>	<p>Consider what parts of these documents need to be reflected in the Parent Handbook.</p> <p>Essence document to be reviewed in December meeting.</p> <p>All - Reminder to review and sign off on any content from the minutes that relate to your contribution to past meetings.</p> <p><b>Maureen</b> to amend report template to allow ACES members to easily capture action items.</p> <p><b>Lexi</b> to provide guidance to Jolene on content/key messages for CRPS council of council meeting.</p>

		<p>nature element with the Waldorf.” Regarding “the program was designed to match the natural stages of human development” – ACES will have a conversation with admin about how we can do a better job of achieving this (right now it is aspirational). We hope to draw on a mentor as a resource to help inform this.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>b. The school today – Update to the school “has” grown to grade 6. Do we need to be prescriptive about the number of lessons outside per day? Also, classes are not always outside on Fridays. Andrea can provide guidance on what appropriate goals are for integrating lessons in the outdoors.</li> <li>c. Reference to Forest Kindergarten – what does this mean? What defines a Forest Kindergarten? Dave or Heather could provide guidance on what this means and how, or to what extent, we can integrate this into the K class and what supports would be needed to enable it to happen.</li> <li>d. Waldorf-inspired nature education – Reference to curriculum may be an issue. We have to deliver the Alberta curriculum and we want to deliver the Waldorf approach to educate the whole child.</li> <li>e. Festivals and celebrations – Refer to Alpenglow community rather than Waldorf curriculum. Reference to building community through festivals and volunteering.</li> <li>f. Nature integration and immersion – Reference to Friday’s outside needs to be changed. Update the realities of what we do for our outdoor program. Without lowering standards, adjust to reflect appropriate approaches. Andrea can advise on this.</li> <li>g. Last paragraph – some aspects may be integrated in above text.</li> </ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>3. CRPS Strategic Plan: Are there opportunities to share resources (e.g. speaker series) across the board? Increase french, EA support and learning support at Alpenglow – link to “Improve Student Learning Opportunities and Resources,” item #5 in CRPS Strategic Plan Document.</li> <li>4. Reporting on Meeting Minutes Action Items: See Lexi’s report for template on how to capture action items in monthly report.</li> <li>5. Meeting Minutes Approvals: Reminder to review and sign off on any content from the minutes that relate to your contribution to past meetings.</li> <li>6. Board Report: No questions regarding Lexi’s board report.</li> </ul>	
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6	<b>Vice President</b>	No questions regarding Lindsey's board report	<p><b>Lindsey and Lexi</b> to seek meeting with Chris M before Christmas.</p> <p><b>All</b> - Reminder to cc Lindsey on communication with teachers as the ACES liaison with the teachers.</p>
7	<b>Fundraising</b>	Not present	<p><b>Maureen</b> – put call out to parent community to identify a coordinator for the raffle (Jolene is picking up donated items). Tasks = ticket printed, ticket distribution, ticket collection.</p>
8	<b>Treasurer</b>	No questions on board report	
9	<b>Festivals</b>	<p>Winterfest – -Photo booth - Discussion around whether we should purchase a printer so we can print photos on site for the photobooth. This can be absorbed within the Winterfest budget. -Marketing – Banner needs to be put up at the Barracks. Posters have been printed. ACES to distribute on social media.</p>	<p><b>Melanie and Maureen</b> to debrief with teachers on Martinmas evening to get feedback for next year. <b>Maureen</b> to coordinate the meeting and bring treats for teachers.</p> <p><b>Melanie</b> – future conversation about the expectations of parents around volunteering at Winterfest and how that shifts over the grades (e.g. lower grade families can sign up for a lesser volunteer commitment, mid-grade families sign up for a greater volunteer commitment, upper grades students are volunteers too). Melanie will bring this to January meeting.</p> <p><b>Maureen</b> to print up outstanding Winterfest volunteer positions for Lexi and Lindsey to take to meeting with Hans and Chris. Hans and Chris will approach leadership group students at high school to fill outstanding positions.</p> <p><b>Maureen</b> to print more Winterfest posters and send electronic version to ACES as an attachment to email.</p> <p><b>Ronna</b> will distribute printed Winterfest posters around Canmore.</p> <p><b>Maureen</b> to look into free community event listings (radio, newspapers).</p>
10	<b>Director at Large</b>	\$1,000 budget for library purchases for this year.	<p><b>Ronna</b> will upgrade her zoom account so she can record Monica's talk tomorrow night to make it available for the parent community.</p> <p><b>Ronna</b> to let Renee know the budget for library purchases.</p> <p><b>Ronna</b> to map out speakers for January to June so we can check against other commitment.</p>

11	<b>Admin</b>	Website has been updated but there are outstanding items that should be updated. Kindergarten, in particular, needs to be updated.	<b>Maureen and Lindsey</b> to meet to review and update website by January 2019.
12	<b>Playground Update</b>	<p>MOTION – Motion to establish a playground committee by Ronna, seconded by Lexi, no one opposed, all in favour.</p> <p>MOTION – Motion to appoint members of playground committee Jolene, Karen, Shannon and Vincent by Ronna, seconded by Lexi, no one opposed, all in favour.</p> <p>MOTION – Motion to allocate \$75,000 to support construction of playground structure by Lexi, seconded by Lindsey, no one opposed, all in favour.</p>	<b>ACES</b> needs to establish a terms of reference for the playground committee. This should establish timeline (November 2018 to November 2019), maximum budget, priority component (natural play structure) and delivery date (September 2019).
13	<b>In Camera</b>		
14	<b>Meeting Adjournment 9:46pm</b>	<p>MOTION – Motion to adjourn by Lindsey Seconded by Ronna</p>	