

DMC School Council- Annual General Meeting Agenda

Date: Thursday, September 10, 2026

Time: 6:00pm

Location: DMC School

Present: Wayne, Keely, Stephanie, Sheree, Kim, Anna, Melanie, Sasha, Frankie, Jason, Darcy, Ms. V

1. Welcome & Call to Order

- Call to order @ 6:01pm

2. Approval of Agenda

- Approved by Anna, second Kim

3. Approval of Previous AGM Minutes (Council)

- Approved by Anna, second Stephanie

4. Reports

○ Principal's Reports

- Welcome back, another year
- Jenna V – grade 6 learning leader
 - New to LL Team
 - Transition has been pretty smooth
 - Grade 6s starting to do leadership; getting their feet wet, creating a curriculum for self being
 - Kids are jumping into it, making posters and helping grade 8s and 9s
 - Leadership events have been sent out and everybody knows what's going on and can participate
 - Cool things happening
 - Tried to go to word fest at the library but the author is coming to them instead; David Roberston, author of The Barren Grounds (all grade 6s and 7s reading it) – October 16th
 - Doing a coding project
 - Doing Riveredge camp
 - Big push for leadership across the board, all grades
 - All the students will be exposed to the fun stuff
 - No questions from council for Jenna
- Jason's Report
 - Pretty smooth start overall
 - In the spring they put out a request for classroom placement, it's frustrating to get them still in the fall

- Everyone thinks their kid has anxiety, we have to allow our kids to experience anxiety, because if they don't experience it they won't learn how to push through it. They try to push back to the parents, kids need to build resiliency
- Circle time is still on Fridays – time to talk with the kids, talk about a variety of things, i.e. issues, team building, talking about various things, bigger topics. Have done this for 5-6 years now.
- Chimera time: intervention time. Month of September is diagnostic to see where the kids are at. During that block all kids will be put into groups based on where they are, they will get enrichment or intervention for 30 minutes a day. Can hopefully start to close the gaps. There's never been a specific time, now it will be a block of time. Starting immediately. Diagnostics will continue throughout the year, every 6 weeks will cycle through and see where they are at.
- They love looking at the Ninja course, excited to be on it. Hopefully that will be done soon. The fence around the other part will be up all year for the grass to take.
- Playground aside:
 - Will need a watering schedule for the grass
 - The playground build was started on city property'
 - The city has to inspect the grass after it has been restored to its previous condition
 - If it gets hot, we will need to come over and water
 - The fences were supposed to come down on the 8th, hopefully they will be done soon
 - Good news, we have a beautiful playground on school property
 - The gaga pit has been relocated, there is a new spot for it
 - We lost one tree
- Jason continued:
- Made the difficult decision to get rid of the garden
- One of two potential item requests: pickle ball court or a 9 square, waiting for permission. Will have an ask to society for this. 9 square is there preference.
 - Pickle ball is \$22k
 - 9 square is \$30k ish
- Anna: during the playground debacle, she chatted with Pam from the city and mentioned an electronic sign project. Pam said "please for the love of good, don't". City permissions are a nightmare. Bright signs will be a fraction of the cost. Anna wants to get a couple of significant capital projects that we can spend casino money on, leave continuity for future boards. Anna asked them to have some thoughts for bigger projects
- Class sizes are pretty good this year, all below the 30 mark, lowest in a long time. They got more money this year, so it worked well for them to lower class sizes. Helps a lot with options, 8 home rooms, 9 options during that time
- Grade 6s have phys ed every day, their options are half of home room size

- STP results around literacy and wellness, down a little bit, the strike was at play because of the things they had to cancel (colour wars)
- Have most of their wish list ready to go with costs
- Paul Davis:
 - Out of Ontario, he saw a real need around educating about dangers of online world. He's a hard messenger, he doesn't sugarcoat. He's great. DMC will bring him in October, for 7-9s for sure (maybe grade 6s). will ask us to pay for that.
 - Anna: could we consider using our annoying CBE money?
 - Steph: only if there's a parent portion for the event
 - Jason: if parents go to Mountain Park, whether or not we want to do a parent night
- Asks for this year:
 - Bussing
- Questions:
 - Kim: are you going to sell the garden boxes?
 - Jason: they're not ours to sell
 - Because of the playground, do you have to get rezoned? The age restricts them for rezoning and the playground is too far from the street to get rezoned.

5. Elections

- Chair (up for re-election)
 - Anna is happy to stay on as chair unless there are objections (no objections)
 - First – Steph Second – Kim
- Vice Chair
 - Wayne is staying on for his second year
- Secretary
 - Sasha is staying on for her second year
- Treasurer for council, optional, leave it empty

6. Other Business

- None

7. Adjournment

- 6:28pm