



OBK School Council Meeting #5

Date:	Tuesday January 23rd, 2018
Time:	6:00 PM – 7:30 PM
Place:	Upper Floor in the open space of CIS OBK Campus 225 – 28 th Street SE, Calgary
Participants:	School Council Members and School Parents

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Minutes:

Meeting commenced at 6:08pm with opening dua.

PRINICIPAL'S UPDATE - Presented by OBK Vice Principal

- There is a concern being brought up from one member of the society regarding parent complaints that the morning logistics of dropping off students is causing too much traffic being backed up on 28th street.
- Majority of parents and those in charge of parking patrol during the morning feel that the current system is working the best it can. Asking parents to park and drop off their children





may only lead to a higher risk of students being injured as most parents will not walk their children into the school. There would be many children trying to cross different areas of the parking lot which would lead to greater chaos. A suggestion was made to have a survey sent out to parents regarding the process.

- The grade 5 students put together a Chocolate Milk campaign both for and against having chocolate milk offered in the school. Administration would like the School Council to read through the letters and decide how to proceed.
- Night at the Musalla Can the School Council set up a subcommittee to coordinate with Sheikh Hassan and Teacher Ouassila? School Council will coordinate to meet with them in the near future.

Agenda Items Discussed:

- Islamic Books have been purchased for the book cart. A \$1000 donation was made from an anonymous donor which will go towards the cost of these books. There is also a request to have division 2 included in the program but with the use of in class bins rather than a cart. A preliminary list was put together to begin the purchase of some of these books. Nada will continue coordinating with the Islamic Staff moving forward with this initiative.
- February 13th Information is in the process of being finalized. Shiekh Fayaz Tilly has confimed his attendance to speak during the session. A flyer should be ready prior to parent teacher interviews to allow us to hand out flyers. School Council members will coordinate to see who is available to hand out flyers on Monday and Tuesday evening.
- Night at the Musalla scheduling and timing needs to be agreed on. Some teacher and council
 members feel that it should not be a sleepover; however, other council members feel that it
 was the highlight for some students. The majority agreed to move forward with sleepover but
 need to coordinate with administration and staff first. A possible start time was suggested at
 6pm.
- Update on the Islamic Professional Development with Shiekh Musleh Khan for Feb. 20th and 21st. Flights and accommodations need to be made as soon as possible. An estimated quote for flights and 2 nights of accommodations was roughly \$770. An estimated total cost of the program will be about \$3000. A request will be made for MCC to contribute to the cost. All members voted in favor of purchasing the tickets. A general update on some possible topics for the P.D was discussed: Etiquette for teachers, being a great teacher/Muslim, compassion for students, sincerity of intention, welfare of students, tarbiyah, time of the students, service to students, practicing on knowledge. In the near future administration will be arranging a conference call with him to customize the program for their needs. Sheikh Musleh suggested having 10 hours of content to deliever with about an hour break. A good time to start would





be 8am and run until 2pm. If he needed extra time, would the staff be able to stay an extra hour? The typical staff hours run from 7:50am-3:15pm so anything during that time should be our goal. The complete program will be put together soon and an outline will be provided to the council and administration.

- Quran for children/seniors opportunity with Mohammed Armagan. Bilal spoke with him
 about his method of teaching and what he would be offering. He is willing to set up a time
 and date to begin this program. School Council members suggested limiting this opportunity
 to those children with challenges/disabilities and to adults who would like to learn a Quranic
 method of learning Arabic. It was also suggested that Thursday nights might be a good day to
 start and to confirm with him before we proceed with notifying the parents.
- Jiu Jitsu program suggestions to move the sessions during the gym schedule. It was suggested
 to arrange the program for grade 5-6 students every year so that they get 2 consecutive years
 of the program. Nadia would coordinate with administration to see if the gym schedule could
 accommodate this change.
- Sports equipment replenishment progress. Ms. Davidson has started a list of necessary and suggested purchases to be made to replenish the sports equipment. Administration will give us an update on total cost once they have completed the list.
- Account Update: Currently there is roughly \$6000 in our account. Our budgeted initiatives for the year are approximately \$8000 so we need to continue fundraising.
- Raz kids update: Program was started prior to the winter break.
- Bilal Movie opportunity. Movie will be released on Feb. 2nd and school council would like to suggest having it is a field trip opportunity for the older kids. Perhaps parents could pay a portion and school council could fund the rest?
- Food Drive Request to continue with our annual campaign with MFNS as the organization is currently extremely low on goods and is having to turn people away due to the shortage. A portion of the items could also be given to We Care as discussed with MCC Chairman. School Council members will coordinate with the society and proceed with the initiative. Current dates set up are March 5th-15th.
- Hot lunch date has been changed to a Bake sale on Feb. 2nd.

Upcoming Events/Projects:

- Right to play workshop on February 2nd during school hours
- Next OBK council meeting will be held on Feb.6th, 2018.
- Night at the Musalla for Division II will be on Feb. 17th and 18th.
- Islamic PD with Musleh Khan on Feb. 20th and 21st.
- AJ Collaboration Meeting #2 on Feb. 27th, 2018.





Closing dua @	7:35pm
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Minutes Approved by:		
Principal	 	
Raiha Idrees	Ahlam Sadden	Nada Merhi (Temporary)





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Principal Raiha Idrees Chairperson Ahlam Sadden Secretary

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