

FMIS-School Council Meeting Minutes

December 20, 2023, at 6:00 PM

Attendees (virtual): Ms. Mehar (FMIS Principal), Dania Aftab, Wasim Ahmed, Qudsia Karimi, Ayesha Tahir, Mavvaj Hussaini, Abdul Basit, Marium Zahid, Mohammed Assaf, Kiran Khan, Syeda Sara Quadri, Zulkifil Mujahid, Sh. Abdul Rahman Murad, Zahid Latif, Abdulsalam Abdo, Suhaila Amiri, Bint Fatima, Abdul Malik, Naddar, Mohamed Ali Al-Zabidi, Tahir Yousaf, Bashir Ikharia, Oussama Kazem, Antchoue

Meeting Summary:

Agenda Item	Discussion
Muslim moment	Sister Qudsia shared the Muslim moment.
Chair updates by Br. Wasim	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Br. Wasim have created Council Google Account, which can be used for many years. The Council google account also got access to ASCA website. ERA kids' poster contest was closed on Dec 15th. Many FMIS students participated in the contest, the winners will be announced on Jan 5th, 2024. Br. Wasim requested Ms. Mehar to keep an eye on the communication from ERA. Regional Science Fair will be held on March 15, 16 2024. Which is happening earlier than their regular dates in April. Schools will have less time to conduct the science fair in school.
Principal Updates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Principal was away for a week due to sickness. Dec 18th Mr. St Dennis mom passed away and he was away as well. Special Thanks to Mr. Hurley to provide coverage during the principal and vice principal were away. Jr. High staffing: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The new teacher Ms. Warda Ishaque joined FMIS on Dec 12th. She is teaching all core subjects to Grade 7 and Social Studies and LA to Grade 8. Ms. Rage is also back to teaching grade 8, 9 Math's, Science and Options. TLIM Assembly was held on Dec 13th. Recess Clubs: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Knitting, crochet, mindful coloring, gaming club, light house and fundraising are going on. Food Drive: Special Thanks to Ms. Ellsworth for leading the food drive. It was quite successful and FMIS students donated about 8-10 boxes of food items to the food bank. Donation from Br. Bashir Ikharia: He donated \$1750 towards Eid Gifts and school sports. JH Report Cards: Report cards will go live on the parent portal in Power School on Jan 31st, 2024.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Hot Lunch: Hot lunch form is available online for the month of Jan 2024. All payments can be made online. Hot lunch is happening once a week. ● Black Belt and Green Belt: In tech and trade academy, FMIS students received black belt and another team won Green Belt. ● Winter Break: Winter break will be from Dec 22nd to Jan 5th Classes will resume on Jan 8th, 2024. Teachers and Islamic instructors will send some homework for winter break. Parents are asked to use educational apps like Mathseeds, reading Eggs, Matheletics and RazKids when kids will be home. Also this will be the best time to review Surahs with kids. ● Spelling Bee information just shared with classes. Jan 16th and 17th will be FMIS annual spelling bee. ● School Science Fair will be on March 5th and 6th. Regional Science Fair will be on March 15th and 16th. ● Extra-Curricular Activities: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Ms. Jose basketball for grade 5-6 for FMIS and Greely every Thursday from 3:20 to 4:30 PM and 3:20 to 4:30 PM and Jr. High Girls every Monday from 3:20 to 5:00 pm. ○ Br. Naseem is doing JH boys basketball every Wednesday from 3:20 to 5:00 PM. ○ Br. Brahim basketball for grade 5-6 boys for FMIS and Greely every Tuesday from 3:20 to 4:30 pm ○ Ms. Gillis and Ms. B board games every Tuesday from 3:20 to 4:30 PM ○ Ms. Aslam Dene Hand games ○ Ms. Mawahir – Tech and Trade club for Grade 4-6 every Wednesday ● Jr. High dress code: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ JH have a dress code and they are not following it properly. In the new year 2024 all JH girls are expected to wear an abaya or a long skirt and a hijab of their choice. There are no restrictions on the colors. ○ The boys will wear full sleeve shirts, full length pants and loose clothing. ● Phone Policy: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Students are not allowed to bring phones to school. If found it will be confiscated by the teacher and phone stays in principal's office. ● Parent Info Session: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ We have planned a session on ADHD for parents on Friday Jan 19th at Markaz. More information will be shared in Jan 2024.
Open discussions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● JH Clothing: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Council members and parents discussed the clothing and suggested that we should model the modest clothing.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ It was also suggested to have proper uniform for the JH. This can be planned for 2025 school year. ● It was discussed that Science Fair should be optional or mandatory for Elementary school. Ms. Mehar will get parent's opinion in Jan 2024. ● There was a question what the role of Council for could be hiring teachers or teacher assistant. Br. Wasim answered the employment is not council's role. Council can only help if there are suggestions from principal/administration. ● Br. Zulkifl asked the question from Chair about if he needs any of the executive members to join him to meet with superintendent. Chair replied that he met with the superintendent in his personal capacity and Council don't need to meet with the superintendent.
Next Meeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Next meeting will be virtual on Wednesday Jan 31st 2024 at 6:00 PM