

## **October 14th, 2014 Parent Council Meeting Minutes**

Attendance: Sheri Getz, Terri-Lyn McEvoy, Oana Ledermann, Mariah Gordon, Jennifer Graham, Wendy Trayner, Carrie Bryan, Steph Richardson, Leslie Claxton, Lesley Wollenschlager, Caroline Inkpen, Trish Felker, Kyra Streight, Natasha Luff, Joanne Gawthrop, Suna Russell, Lea Doxey, Alicia Purcell, Candace Sceviour-Hay, Hollie MacDonald

### **1. Welcome - call to order at 6:38**

- Kirsty had to step down from her position as chair
- Two options: nominate vice chair to chair, or have another full blown election process (involves sending notices out as a Council)
- Motion put forward for Stephanie to become chair - by Jennifer Graham, seconded by Terri-Lynn. Everyone in favour, motion passed.
- Would like to appoint Mariah and Candace for the Fundraising Committee
- Motion to move teacher presentation up, after acceptance of minutes

### **2. Additions and Acceptance of Meeting Agenda**

- Kyra - fundraising idea
- Trish - addition to new business
- Caroline - popcorn fundraiser

### **3. Acceptance of September 9th minutes**

- Terry-Lynn and seconded by Jennifer Graham

### **4. Nominations and Election of New Chair and Fundraising Coordinator**

- Done at beginning of meeting

### **5. Administration Report**

- Walk a thon coming up this week
- Fire Safety week - practising drills
- Will be doing some of the code drills (hold and secure and lock down). Staff will be reviewing in kid friendly language to review requirements, and then drill will be held
- Positive reviews with Calendar only newsletter (has PC news on front). Will do quarterly "big" newsletter
- Mr. Stone is still not back at school. Ms. Leclair is still in the classroom. Formal hiring has not taken place
- The new Mrs. Lynch has moved to KPS, so Meghan McNaughton (EA) is currently in there
- IEPs go home on Wednesday - lots of frustration with new IEP program. Once bugs are out, these IEPs will be better.
- Remembrance Day ceremony - parents are invited to watch
- EQOA results are out. Primaries are down a little, but this was expected. Doing a corrected reading program. Our results are significantly different from EQAO. Juniors are up.

### **6. Teacher's Report**

- Reviewed activities of JKs to Grade 6s
- new curriculum in French 4- 6s
- Remembrance Day performances - starting to practice
- Cross Country has been taking place
- Me to We has started

- We Scare Hunger is a part of above campaign
- Soccer, hockey team, Pal program up and running, Go Girls started today, Game On will be starting later in the fall
- Everyone participated in Luv to Groove - and loved it

#### 7. Treasurer's Report & Financial Requests - Trish

- Having difficulties receiving reports via email - so nothing to show us
- We did have a fairly decent lunch order. Want to take a closer look at the chicken tenders. Another order due in this week.
- \$3900.00 available funds
- Two funding requests - Gymnasium items from Joanne O'Connor - comes out to \$3700, we had discussed around \$3000 for sound system
- Two new speakers for back of gym, four tall stands, four boundary mics, two condenser mics, all new stands for mic, all necessary cords, box to help connect laptop and mixer.
- Another fundraising request \$626.59 from Mrs. Kay and Mr. Hackett to pay for busses to take two teams to hockey tournament. Funding required in December
- Raise a motion to fund both - motion by Leslie, seconded by Alicia. Motion passed for hockey. More information to come for sound system - vote will take place via email.
- Parent Council has, in the past, provided funding for busses (for end of year school trip)
- \$400 per class - what we have given in the past. \$6800 approx.
- \$5000 to technology upgrades in past years
- Additions to outdoor classroom - \$1800 left for this project.
- Motion put forward by Sheri for bussing and technology. Seconded by Suna. Motion passed.

#### 8. Discussion Topics

##### a. Fundraising Discussion

- proposal of projects for the year
  - Mabel's Labels update - ongoing project.
  - Spirit Wear - Lisa not here to present. Trish brought samples from Sew Kool - what we have purchased in the past. Not really a fundraiser, as we keep them cost effective. Can look at opening this up to other people, companies to be fair. Candace and Mariah will coordinate this.
  - Christmas Shop and Drop. Kerri looked after this last year. Will need someone to oversee this for this. Alicia will help coordinate that.
- reminder that anyone who needs a float - please see Trish
  - yearbook update. Suna sent information to Corrie. Still need more information about this project. Suna will get more information about this.
  - Plant and Bake Sale (Jennifer Graham) - anyone want to take over or shadow Jennifer? Last year we made over \$3000.00. Idea of renting tables for crafters or personal businesses. Kyra willing to help out with overseeing table rentals. Seeds were picked up at this event.
  - Another fundraising idea brought forward by Kyra for steeped tea. School makes 40% off of sales.
  - Another fundraising idea - Leslie for chocolate sales. Different options for chocolate. Hoping to run in near future for delivery in mid November. Not necessarily nut free.
  - Popcorn fundraiser (Caroline) Poppa Jacks - different flavours. Tiny bags - 50 cents, sell for 1.00, bigger bags 1.00, sell for 2.00. No delivery charge, just a minimum of 10 cases.
  - Scentsy (Terri-Lyn) - would donate 20% of commission back to school. Would be based on teacher order. Would like to do this before November 30th.
  - Comment from last year that there are a lot of fundraisers

- Look at picking fundraisers for the school year and then send out correspondence to families as to what the fundraisers will be for the year
- Will discuss this over email.

#### b. Scientist in the School Update

- Only four spots left in k - 3
- Less interest in 4- 6 (only 10 in), but today was only day of collecting

#### c. Lunch Program & Book Swap updates

- Lunch program is going well. No negative feedback from chicken fingers
- Book Swap - next Tuesday. October 21st. Will be looking for volunteers to help with this.
- Joanna - has had a few emails regarding milk - when kids get it. Kids complaining about no ketchup. Ketchup will be added to classrooms.
- Person who looked after our program - no longer doing so. Trying to get a program up and running.

#### d. Bulletin Board for the Lobby (Trish)

- Looking for way to get more information out regarding Parent Council.
- Consideration for larger bulletin board. They have to be specially sourced.
- Need to look into pricing for a larger board

### 8. New Business

- Movie Night (Trish) - Mrs. Matheson runs movie nights - money goes towards purchasing technology. Trish approached her about movie night sponsors to cover cost of popcorn and juice, etc. O'Farrell Financial Services - sponsor of first night. \$100 to sponsor. Will have kids do up posters thank sponsors.
- Other fundraisers - pancake dinner, make it snow, maple syrup
- BBQ is a possibility - BBQ, face painting, etc.

### 9. Next Meeting - November 11th

### 10. Adjournment of Meeting at 8:30 pm. Motion to adjourn - Trish.