
Parent Council Meeting

Tuesday, October 15, 2024

Attendees

Chantal, Rob, Laura, Donna, Marissa, Kathryn, Jennifer, Janelle, Danielle, Lara, Kelly, Kendra, Heather, Lucy, Katie, Steph B, Ena, Wendy STAFF: *Alison Mason (Teacher Rep) & Tracy Walsh (Principal)*

Agenda Items

Welcome

- ★ Meeting called to order at 6:15pm
- ★ Approval of September 2024 meeting minutes: 1st - Donna, 2nd - Katie - All in favour
- ★ Constitution Review: No questions on constitution
- ★ General Membership: Kelly, Lucy and Kathryn gave up their vote to keep the number of voting members at 19
- ★ Motion to approve constitution (no changes): 1st - Lucy, 2nd - Laura - All in favour
- ★ Volunteer Procedure: Need both Volunteer Info Packages from school & Police Vulnerable Sector in order to volunteer

Principal/Teacher Reports

- ★ Principals Report (Please see attached)
 - ★ Please do not send home items to school with students, especially sports equipment
 - ★ Grade 5 - Learning 'Thriller Dance' and maybe a performance at Halloween Dance
 - ★ DiToro/Coakwell & Bailey/Hayward (JK/SK): Counting down the days until Oct 22 field trip to the pumpkin patch at Brantwood Farm
 - ★ MacCuish (Gr 3/4): Encourage families to check the Hub
 - ★ LRT: IEP's will be going home tomorrow (Oct 16) for parents to review, comment, edit and sign
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- ★ Mason (PysEd): Working on the Reimaging Wellness Lessons for physical activation with the grades 1-3/4 classes. Cross country last week took 43 students. Everyone who raced, finished and many had their personal best time.
- ★ Purchase Request for DPA/Nutrition Break Equipment (Pg 58 Gopher): Total \$1,522.73 / 6 classes = \$254 per class

Fall Events

- ★ Meet the Educator / Book Fair: \$2689 net Sales from book fair and now have \$1300 Scholastic Dollars
- ★ Halloween Dance
 - Tons of prizes this year incl Lil' Monkey's, Bowling, DQ etc
 - 1 ticket per student for sure, 1 ticket for every \$20 raised otherwise
 - Will give the prizes out end of day this year to avoid chaos by upsetting students mid-day and prevent trading of prizes
 - Games include bowling, Plinko, and 2 bean bag toss games
 - Discussion on formal photobooth with taking pics of all students again and majority agreed NO formal photobooth and will have an area set up where some photos can be taken
- ★ Dinner & Skate: A committee with formed shortly after Halloween and will likely involve additional meeting(s)
- ★ Go For Green
 - Set for Nov 8
 - Teachers sign up for activities
 - Possibility to have Gr 4 & 5 help plan next time. Northland Nursery works with kids on planning. Can educate students on how to plan, then allow students to plan
 - Get seeds
 - Go For Green asking for \$500
- ★ Idea Committee
 - Oct 31 is the actual day for Diwali, however, suggesting Nov 4 for Diwali activities, to avoid the excitement of Halloween
 - Idea is to make Rangoli designs using items in nature

- Serve samosas and sweets

Budget Update

- ★ Set \$\$ Aside
 - \$2000 for Dinner & Skate
 - \$1000 for the Playground
 - 240.25 for Cross Country Bus
 - \$350 for Dance Prizes
 - \$1500 for Mulch
- ★ Current Balances
 - \$210 Booster Juice net
 - \$1600 Pizza net
 - \$6150 School Enhancement
 - \$409 for Trips → \$169 left after CC Bus pd
 - **\$1300 Left as Available**

Fundraising

- ★ Discussion on what Halloween Fundraiser \$\$ will go towards (Playground, DPA Equipment, other)
- ★ Discussion on which fundraiser to run pre-end of year. Agreement to run a **Purdy's Chocolatier Fundraiser**. Will be mostly online, however Donna to look into getting or printing a paper catalogue.
- ★ Continue with current food days for now. Discussion on another food day later, to possibly start in the new year

Spending

- ★ Staff to submit wants/needs and how much request in dollars
- ★ DPA Equipment: Laura motioned to spend \$1000 on DPA Equipment, 2nd - Rob, All in Favour
- ★ Katie motioned to spend \$500 on Go For Green, 2nd - Rob, All in Favour

General Discussion

- ★ Need PRO Grant ideas: If you have ideas, please share
- ★ \$1000 grant available by application, intended to be used for an activity for parents

Adjournment

- ★ Chantal motioned to Adjourn, 2nd - Rob, All in Favour

Previous eVotes

eVote - September 27, 2024

- ★ Request to spend \$240.25 to cover half of the cost of the cross country buses. Vote put forward by C.Kemp (Co-Chair) by email to 20 Council Members, 3 Staff Members (T. Walsh, A. Mason, T. Gunn)
 - Rob motioned to spend \$240.25 for Cross Country buses, 2nd - Lucy
 - Yay Votes - 14, Nay Votes 0
 - Motion Passed

eVote - October 1, 2024

- ★ Request to spend \$1500 to cover the cost of the playground mulch top-up (Fibar). Vote put forward by C.Kemp (Co-Chair) by email to 22 Council Members, 2 Staff Members (T. Walsh, A. Mason)
 - Lindsay motioned to spend \$1500 on playground mulch top-up (Fibar), 2nd - Katie
 - Yay Votes - 12, Nay Votes 0
 - Motion Passed

Next Meeting

- ★ **November 21, 2024 - 6:15pm**