

Deer Park Public School - School Council Meeting

Monday January 16, 2023

Call to order: 7:00 p.m.

Present: Cindy, Kristine, Tyler, Aimee, Laura, Shawna, Nicole, Kevin, Kim, Sarah

Mail/Email sharing update – nil

Budget update – nil

Principal updates

- Discussed YRDSB Anaphylaxis the YRDSB *Best Practices for Avoiding Anaphylactic Reactions* (<https://staffweb-yrdsb.msapproxy.net/boarddocs/Documents/BP-anaphylaxis-avoidingreactions.pdf>) .
- We are taking a layered approach to protecting our students and staff. Board policy includes initiatives required regular reminders to families through school letters and discussions with parent council, education of staff and students, etc.
- Two students have anaphylactic reactions to a variety of allergens.
- School lunch program guidelines & permitted vendors are being reviewed (so far just for the affected classes, with the potential to make the changes school wide).
- School Council Forum: February 13th, 2023. Volunteers: Shawna

Fundraising Plan Follow-up

School Council has received a request from the Principal for the following:

- STEM Minds Coding Workshop visit for Grades 1-8 will cost \$1,625 (includes a discount of \$1,150). They are planning on coming at the end of February.
- Outdoor recess materials: \$200.
- Grade 8 Graduation Subsidy: \$350
- Classroom items not normally covered by Ministry funding: \$900
- Council approved the above four expenditures for a total of: \$3,075.
- This will leave us with just over \$2,400.
- Board has given the school \$900 subsidy for buses. Each bus is between \$700-800, and very difficult to book in the North.

Lunchbox update

Currently we are not allowed to use Lunchbox Vendors. If a school had already begun the program this year, their participation has been grandfathered so as to continue. Deer Park did not begin at the outset of the year, thus we cannot begin it. School Council is investigating.

Tuck shop

- We will be reviewing the vendors we are using to ensure we minimize the risk.

Grade 8 Fundraising Update

Donations for silent auction include: mobile cleaning gift certificate, jewellery, games, etc. We are seeking other donations.

Tickets have all been sent home.

Happenings around the school

- PA Day Friday, January 20th, 2023.
- Staff are planning for mid-February family event (Family Literacy &/or Maths).
- Spirit wear sales will happen again soon.
- New EOAA starting January 30th, 2013.

Adjourned at 8:25 p.m.