

## **MAPS School Council Minutes**

Wednesday, February 8, 2017 – 7pm

*Present:* Michelle Vestergaard, Will de Villiers, Dan Iantria, Heather Vaz, Jeremy Heinze, Earl Liverance

*Regrets:* Rhonda Forno, Alison Roberts, Jennifer Mackey

*Guest:* Elaine Hunter

### **Adoption of minutes from last meeting**

- Minutes were adopted
  - o Motioned from Michelle Vestergaard
  - o Adopted Unanimously

### **Caring and Safe Schools program with John Shep – presented by Elaine Hunter – Co-Chair from Robert Munsch PS**

- Program covers Cyber bullying, sexting, phones, screen time etc. and is meant to educate students AND parents
- How can we help parents help young people?
- John is willing to come and speak with both councils and principals on working on prevention. It is beneficial to work with both schools as students from MAPS and RMPS will both be going to Huron Heights SS in the future.
- They are looking for a couple dates that we can meet with John (both councils) together
- Elaine has requested that John work with both parents and the students
- Suggesting March 22<sup>nd</sup> for a joint meeting as MAPS council is on this day and incoming principal of MAPS (Susan) will be attending

### **Treasurers Report**

- Balance Forward: \$8,762.79
- Expenses: \$19,408.27
- Revenue: \$20,305.44
- Floating Balance: \$9,659.96
- \$7,000 outstanding that has not been transferred
  - o \$1,500 - Music
  - o \$5,000 – Wish List
  - o \$500 - Playground
- Council has typically provided \$10 per child for graduation
- Hot lunch should cover the outstanding balance and there should not be a need for any additional fundraising
- Basket fundraiser raised \$1,731
- If we are looking for a new fundraiser for the spring, it was suggested that another Basket Fundraiser would be fairly easy to run and is popular with the children

## **Admin Report**

- Received cards from partner school (Lakeside) and parents as thank you for 12 days of Christmas
- Both basketball teams won regionals and finished within one point of top 4 for the Province
- Scientist in School has started and is very popular with the students
- Grade 8 Huron Heights presentation was last week and went over very well
- MADD has come in the past couple years. They will again be coming in on Monday Feb 13<sup>th</sup> for Grade 7 and 8 presentation
- Intermural Basket-Ball Girls and Boys are on February 13<sup>th</sup>
- Values Influences and Peers – Grade 7 and 8
- Electives are beging held February 23<sup>rd</sup> and March 2<sup>nd</sup> - students are looking forward to this
- March 29<sup>th</sup> – Parent Voice Matters symposium
  - o Asked what parents may like to see as topics for that symposium
    - Math assessment strategies
    - Cyber safety
    - Helping children cope with stress
- February 16<sup>th</sup> – report cards will be distributed
- Earl will put together a flyer regarding the social justice day (March 30<sup>th</sup>)
  - o Example of items needed - socks; PJ bottoms; toothpaste; toothbrush; soap; shampoo

## **Kidney Foundation Clothing program**

- Last year this was held in April
- Determined that Friday, April 28<sup>th</sup> would be day for pickup
- People can drop off donations the week of April 24<sup>th</sup> through the 28<sup>th</sup>
- Put out Flyer the week of April 3<sup>rd</sup>; Heather will ask Alison to advertise in Bulletin for April; It will be posted on Facebook

## **Review of constitution**

- Treasurer position
  - o Earl has been advised that it is up to council and the principal on whether the position should remain, or if the responsibilities (much reduced this year) should be worked into the other positions
- Duties to carry over
  - o Deliver Financial report
- Consensus
  - o Motioned by Dan Iantria; Seconded by Michelle Vestergaard; Passed Unanimously
    - As noted in the October 2016 minutes, council has determined that there is no longer a need to continue the position of Treasurer.
    - Effective immediately, the Treasurer position is no longer required.
    - Council reviewed all stated duties (as per 2016 Constitution) and it was determined that they were no longer required due to changes in the handling of finances within the school. The only duty required to carry forward was the delivery of the financial report.
    - The duty of “Deliver Financial Report” will be transferred to the Secretary role.

## **New Business**

- *Suggestion* – Consider sending letter home with Grade 3 children (from RMPS) with information on MAPS council
- *Suggestion* – Create letter to be sent home with Grade 3 children (from RMPS) with details on purchasing MAPS Spirit Wear and merchandise. Payment for spirit wear would most likely need to be cash.
  - Heather will add this to the March 2017 agenda for further discussion
- *Suggestion* – Create letter to go out with MAPS students with reminder that there are many MAPS water bottles available for purchase.