

Weds Nov 27 2013

Approval of Minutes

- Minutes from previous meeting were approved by Heather Patterson, seconded by Susan Prizeman.

Treasurer's report:

- No major changes to announce. \$1275 of cash available moving forward.
- Includes pizza revenue from first term.

Principal report:

- Basketball and Volleyball are off to a great start. Junior basketball to start in New Year.
- Camp Muskoka meeting to occur on Weds. Nov 27 to inform parents on the upcoming trip.
- Family Math night Weds. Feb 26 (same as council meeting – need to reschedule council mtg for Feb). Going to get events set up for the intermediates. K-8. Event will be early in the evening 6:30pm start. Interactive for parents with Math apps, games you can do at home, shopping games, and board games. Action item: council exec to determine alternate time for Feb council meeting
- Suggestion to invite some of the Older kids that may struggle with Math to mentor young kids with the boards on Math Night to help build the confidence in the older kids.
- Kelli identified that Peer mentor program to be set up with the older students to help solve conflicts outside during recess and breaks.
- Ms. Jestin's student book fair January 22nd. Books for Breakfast Jan 27. Volunteers will be required. Action item: Kelli/Susan to confirm where parents who are unable to stay for the Books for Breakfast event can drop off food ahead of time?
- Girls can run. Is a go and no cost to students!
- Holiday Food Drive. Starts week of December 1st
- Helping Hands for the Philippines to get started this Friday.
- A couple of request for funding: Ms. Sama requests for 3 science kits for the Grade 5 classes. \$49.99/kit. Heather tabled a vote for kits. . Majority vote in favour.
- Kindergarten play for pen area. Kelli would like a long term plan and short term. Michelle made suggestion made of natural garden area. Can we ask for fundraising? TD Evergreen grant? Also toys for the spring. A subcommittee was started by Kelli and includes William to further look into the topic.
- Irover. Kelli would like them for the jk/sk classes. Action item: Kelli to document wish list and associated cost for adding technology into Ms. Kennedy's kindergarten class including irover

Review New Parking Rules & Enforcement Plan

- Parking issue. Lots of complains about parents who want to park in the lot, but we cannot let just a few parents in. Most schools, parents cannot park in the lot. Ramer Wood is an eco-school which is intended for parents and kids walking to school. Teachers on duty outside are to

wear markers to identify themselves as such. Parent has brought up issue with the court as drop off spot and to see what other options if possible.

- Student Ambassadors. Good turn out and hand selected and very proud. Grade 6's since grade 8s are so busy. They start at 8:30am and they have to contact a friend to fill the spot if they will be absent for any reason on their assigned day.
- Walking school bus program run by Mr. Morrison to be started again in Spring.

Sub-Committee Update

- Heather to chair sub-committee for Dance-a-thon. We need to vote on how much money to allocate to prizes. Free prizes that can be offered from the school such as gym time. Council agreed to fund standard class prizes (eg. Pizza & ice cream party for 1st place, movie & popcorn party for 2nd place)
- Pizza day letters to be sent out soon for winter term.
- Lego group to be started for Grades 1-3. Will be asking for donations of Lego.
- Put the form online for logo wear clothing purchases. Amanda suggested to Order a size larger to account for shrinkage.

Questions/New Ideas

- No meeting scheduled for December .
- Teacher Ms. Dranfield requested help for the clothes drive.
- Resend notes on Investment in Education fund. Include with January Newsletter. QSP \$4000, 37% commission. Renewal codes. **Action item: Kelly to include itemized list of gym equipment purchased on January newsletter along with fundraising goals (eg.e.g. What are we working toward – kindergarten play area, etc).**
- Any teachers volunteer for ski trips for 4-8 to Dogmar. Trip requires one teacher for trip and we need to confirm. Can parents be the supervisors?
- Grade 3 doing swimming in the Spring
- Mr. Morrison doing a day and night time performance. Dec 17 Date will be included in the newsletter.

Adjournment

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