

Sharon Public School - Council Meeting Minutes

Tuesday September 29thm 2020 7 pm Virtual Meeting

Present: Cortney Cassidy, Sally Denomy, Darlene Nagy, Ken Arnott (Principal) and Jennifer May (VP).

1. Reviewed minutes from May 20th, 2020 meeting.
2. Current council balance is ~\$26k. How should we spend it?

Ideas:

- > paint asphalt. Jennifer May said she would send off an email to see what the process is to get this done. Cortney mentioned that this could be done by volunteers, as well.
- > buy new equipment for each class. Jennifer/Ken to send an email to survey the classroom teachers to see what each class need. Get the list to Sally/Cortney in ~2-weeks and we will purchase items ASAP. This was APPROVED last school year, so will move forward right away.
- > What is the plan for music this year? Do we need to purchase any percussion instruments? School already has 'boom whackers'... they are easy to disinfect - yeah! Darlene has confirmed that she has made some drum sticks, but there may be need in the year to purchase a few other items. Ken/Jennifer to let Mrs. Jenkins know that there is \$\$\$ ear marked from last year for music programming... council would like to know if she needs/wants any council funds to support her program for the 2020/2021 school year. Present to Council at next meeting, so we can move quickly to support.

3. Covid Safety

- > Students are moving more slowly everywhere
- > Lines have been added - in and out
- > Students have adapted well
- > Scheduled bio breaks, hand sanitizers everywhere (touchless)

- > Physical distancing going ok
- > Split recess and lunch into 2 groups; working well. Kids in each cohort working/playing well together
- > Staff are wearing medical grade masks and shields. Grades 4 and up all wearing masks. Encouraging the rest to wear as well. Many wearing them at recess too (where it isn't mandatory)
- > Equipment being sanitized each time it is used. Good habits forming.
- > Isolation room has been created for kids who are not feeling well
- > Public health nurse has been assigned to our school

Q. From Cortney - what has the Board said around fundraising for school? We are wondering if we can do some type of 'Elf Day' / 'Market'... something modified?

A. At this time it is not likely possible based on current covid numbers rising. Can do fundraising, just NOT events at this time that get large groups together.

Q. We have the greeting cards (fundraiser) already at the school. Can we send them home?

Jennifer / Ken to figure out if we can run this fundraiser and when.

4. Snack Program

> Taylor Miller offered to volunteer for this program. Jennifer/Ken to reach out to her to see if we can move forward and get something running.

5. Next meeting date? Will need a vote for new council members.

> Proposing Mon Oct 19th, Nov 9th, Dec 7th, Feb 8, Apr 6, May 3 (the 1st Monday of each month).

Adjournment