



Whitchurch Highlands Public School Council Meeting

September 14th 2017

Present:

Council Members: Brad Derry, Mary Zizakovic, Jane Vivian, Robert Carter, Amanda Van Veen Pirie, Noula Halikias-Mintsoulis, Jackie Steinmiller

Regrets: Cathlin Hennze, Therese Harris, Jen Worden, Lorie Schoenrock

Non-Council Attendees: Anna Trokova

Approval of June minutes: Approved by Jane Vivian and seconded by Robert Carter

Approval of September agenda: Approved by Jackie Steinmiller and seconded by Amanda Van Veen Pirie

Treasurer's Report – Rob Carter

- \$3000 balance in school account
- \$2000 allocated to the playground reserve fund
- \$500 Leadbetters (food deposit) for Meet the Teacher Night

Principal's Report – Brad Derry

- Staffing update
 - ✓ New permanent teachers – Staci Weinberg (ASD), Stacey Sullivan (ME classroom)
 - ✓ EA's – Martine Schneider, Shelby Milford (ASD), Bryanne Smith (ASD)
 - ✓ 2 LTO's – Mr. Soman for Mrs. Mitchell (taking on some of the band work possibly early Oct until she returns), Ms. Berry for Mrs. Horvath
 - ✓ John Storie – Kindergarten class
 - ✓ Ms. Sauve will be here till Dec and Mrs. Giannatselis will be returning from mat leave in January
- Organizational update – no changes to the organization from June – all classes are compliant
- Enrolment – currently at 248, down approx. 8 students from last year
- Brad will not be doing the monthly newsletter this year; Brad to look into whether users have the capability to import the school calendar into their own Google calendars
- Drainage basin area update – work should have been done in the summer; new delays - an engineer needs to be involved and Board approved
- Wasp problem has been addressed now

Teacher's Report – Brad Derry

- School Bus safety program – Sept 19th
- Cross Country – Mon, Wed and Fri at morning recess for grades 4 – 8; Area meet is Oct 11th
- PA Day – Sept 25th

- Lunch Programs
 - ✓ Kids Kitchen - Mon / Wed
 - ✓ Mr. Greek - Tues
 - ✓ Pizza / Subs - alternating Thurs
- Nurse Shelley - lice checks on Sept 14th - there were a couple of cases; a letter also went home to those parents who had a positive sample in their child's class
- Book Fair Sept 26th - 29th
- Safety Week Sept 25th - 29th (lockdown at some point this week)
- Grade 7 & 8 immunizations - Sept 27th
- Terry Fox Run - Sept 28th
- Meet the Teacher Night - Sept 28th
- Grade 6 Instrument Night - Oct 6th
- School Picture day - Oct 12th
- Senior Boys / Girls Volleyball starting

Meet the Teacher Night update – Jane Vivian

- Thurs Sept 28th
- Social event 5 – 6:30
- Classroom visits 6:30 – 7:30
- Leadbetters will be serving the food (to be pre-ordered through School Cash Online)
- Hot dogs, hamburgers, sausage, veggie burger, chicken fingers and fries
- High school volunteers will be needed to help set up
- Parent volunteers needed to hand out tickets to students that same day
- Water and juice to be sold the day of and not included in the packages online

Schedule for 2017/2018

Oct 5th – Elections to take place; Kristin Chaisson (Learning Resources) will presenting as well

Oct 26th – Halloween Dance

Nov 16th

Jan 25th

Mar 1st

Apr 12th

May 10th

June 4th – PA day

June 7th – Fun fair

June 14th – last Council meeting

New Business

- Jane to touch base with Kim Plato regarding Markham Fair
- Fundraising Committee – Cathlin, Lorie, Sara and Brad
- Invest in Ed will be starting the last week of September
- School Council to be advertised at Meet the Teacher night

Meeting adjourned – 8:00 pm