

Minutes of Meeting
Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Council
Tuesday November 21, 2017
6:15pm

Council Attendance

Kate Witmer, Sandy Koudys, Natasha Ivetic, Michele Foster, Lezlie Laroche, Judy Kloosterman, , Theresa Anderson-Wong, Mark Cunningham, Katie Jozsa, Ericka Matkovich, Chad Collins, Terri-Jo Taylor, Dianne Barlow, Jodi Madore

Opening of Meeting

- Attendance
- Acceptance of previous minutes

Davis Creek Community Planning Team

- "Locker" is going strong. The Davis Creek Youth Community (ages 12-21) publishes. Copies of Davis Creek Locker at Avondale, Doughboy and various other spots.
- Davis Creek meetings are the 2nd Tuesday of every month at 350 Quigley Road from 6-8pm
- **Chad Collins** - informed the new Food Centre will be at 625 Greenhill (temporary) – 2 units being renovated. One for the Food Bank and 1 for cooking classes. Donated food collected at our Haunted House is being held at St. Matthews and will be brought to the food bank once opened. Food Centre has been in the works since 2012. Funding from City for 3 years in partnership with St. Matthews. Looking at the permanent home to be somewhere near Eastgate Mall. Fresh food, non-perishables, personal hygiene products.
- Davis Creek cookbook is out and all recipes are from Davis Creek residents.
- "Right on Target" is setup in the old Target store at Centre Mall. Events take place there, i.e., roller skating, haunted house, night market, kids area
- First Ontario free skate December 2
- Code Red – 10 high priority communities for development. City Hall's annual report indicates what areas have been done.

Umbrella Child Care Services (Jodi Madore)

- Nothing new
- JK/SK staff member resigned. A new face will be at the daycare soon
- All spots full – a little space in the JK/SK but not much
- Christmas break is full
- Event in February for families

New Business/Chair Report

- Chad Collins indicated that there will be 211 new housing units on the old Bishop Ryan property. Construction will start in the spring.
- Bagshaw will be closing and SWL will undergo an add-on to our school. School catchment boundaries will change.
- Terri-Jo, Erika and Katie are now all voting members
- Need to renew a movie licence. Will the school split the cost? Dianne will discuss with Deb. Criterion is Pixar \$282.10 and ACF is Disney \$429.40. Lezlie to send e-mail to us by end of week.
- Poinsettia sales for Christmas fundraiser, 4 inch or 6 inch available. No minimum, need volunteers to receive and organize orders. Kate, Erika, TJ, Theresa and Michele. Can it be same day as MacMillan?
- Christmas concert booked for same day as Macmillan delivery – need to verify Mrs. Watson room available and big enough.
- Chocolate bar sales – tabled until January meeting
- Gift Card sales as possible fundraiser which runs throughout the year – Kate to look into more.
- Need a subcommittee in January to start the planning process for Carnival
- Vote passed to retain Chris for school photos.

- **Student Report**
- N/A

Non-Teacher Report (Lezlie)

- Lezlie informed of a fundraiser "Humour for Hunger" being held for SWL breakfast program. 279 King Street E – December 14th at 10pm

Teacher Report (Mrs. Anderson Wong)

- Personal note – Thank you to Michele for various outdoor play equipment – kids are enjoying them
- Wooden planks – safety requirements? Board funding? Looking into

Principal's Report

- Dianne Barlow (VP) is enjoying being at SWL, everyone has been welcoming, great students,
- A reminder that council should be united, working together at helping our school. Concerns should be brought to the school
- Annual school plan. See at least 75% of grade 1 student achieve a level B in reading
- See 65% of students in all grades at or above provincial level math
- Every teacher is focused on Math and reading
- Question asked about school policy for students with phones – Dianne indicated devices are allowed, used to access information, used wisely/responsibly, teacher supervision/approval, iPads available to those students who do not have a device
- Concern voiced about administrative presence is important to students and parents/guardians

Nutrition Report

- A larger nutrition would be appreciated with the new additions to the school – increase in students means more supplies will be needed and we cramped for space as all nutrition and council paper work is conducted in our small room.

Treasurer's Report

- Report given – around \$3,170.93 in account.
- New spreadsheet created to make things easier to see where funding is used.
- Additional funds available – more available to teachers \$5/per child + \$amount to each teacher?
- Maybe a teacher survey to see what their thoughts are? More discussion needed

Next Meeting

Tuesday January 23rd at 6:15pm