

Yorkview School Council Meeting Minutes

Tuesday September 30, 2014

In Attendance: Karen Henderson (Principal), Tammy Lombardo, Kirsten Blain (Fundraising), Julie York (Fundraising), Cathy Maga-Turner (Secretary), Andrea Gardner, Laura Ingles, Trina Baird, Leigh Tutt, Janine Klyn-Hesselink, Melanie Walter,

Regrets: Jocelyn Strutt.

SCHOOL COUNCIL POSITIONS:

- A warm welcome is extended to all Yorkview Parents to attend School Council Meetings on the third Tuesday of the Month at 6:30 pm at the school.
- Tammy Lombardo and Cathy Maga are stepping down from their positions as Chair and Secretary, respectively.
- Kirsten Blain and Julie York have stepped up to perform the duties of the Fundraising position. Leigh Tutt will take over as Treasurer and Volunteer Coordinator, Laura Ingles will be the Secretary, and Tammy Lombardo will fill the Newsletter role.
- ***The following position needs to be filled: Chair (possible Co-Chair option).***

PRINCIPAL REPORT: (Karen Henderson)

- **Creative Playground Area:** The Creative Play Area does not currently meet the updated Board standards of safety with respect to the structure and ground cover. The most reasonable quote for the upgrades was approximately \$2000.00, which includes repair of metal parts to prevent 'head entrapment' and 23 cubic yards of engineered wood mulch product for the base. Council has secured enough funds for the immediate purchase of the bark mulch for the base and repairs.
Action Required: Mrs. Henderson is to go ahead with the bark mulch order and request a service appointment for the structure.
- **Classroom:** Unfortunately, the school did not have the numbers to support a third Kindergarten class, and Staff and Students were shuffled. Class sizes for the remaining Kindergarten rooms are smaller than last year. Students are settling in to their new routines.

TREASURER:

- A Detailed Category Summary (Aug 1-Sept 30/14) was provided.
- Council would like to itemize a list of the fixed expenses for the year. (i.e. Teacher allowances, bussing costs, participant ribbons/awards, etc.)
- Mrs. Vandyk requested \$60.00 to go toward the bussing fee for the Grade 5 field trip. Council approved this expense. Council will cover the cost of the bus for the upcoming Cross Country Meet.

FUNDRAISING REPORT: (Julie York/Kirsten Blain)

- **Bake Sale:** A very successful bake sale was held during "Meet the Teacher Night" and \$1700.00 profit was made from the sale of sweet treats and generous donations from Yorkview families. Many thanks go to all the parents who donated baked goods and helped with the sale.
- **Pizza:** The new system requires pre-ordering. No "day of" orders allowed. This requires less work for both the volunteers and the teachers. 120 out of 185 students are taking advantage of Pizza Days.

- **Spirit Day:** The Tuesday after Thanksgiving will be the next Spirit Day. “Pajama Day” is the theme! We are looking to award Gift Cards from local businesses in a draw. November Spirit Day theme may be related to Canadian Spirit and Remembrance.
- **Grade 5 Classroom Fundraiser:** Mrs. Vandyk will be holding a Pumpkin Carving Contest to raise funds for her classroom. There is a possible donor of pumpkins and corn stalks to be used to raise funds.
- **Yorkview Clothing Sales:** Blue and Yellow T-shirts, Hoodies and Ball Caps were suggested for Clothing sale items with an updated school logo. This fundraising activity will likely happen in December.
- **City of Hamilton Water Bottle Fundraiser:** Another possible upcoming fundraising activity through the City of Hamilton includes the sale of stainless steel water bottles with the school logo on one side.

OTHER BUSINESS/PARENTAL CONCERNS:

- None at this time.

NEXT MEETING: Scheduled for Tuesday October 21, 2014 at 6:30 p.m. at the school.