

Dundana School Council Meeting

Thursday, September 28th, 2023

Attendees: Principal Cathy Calvano, Sara Brown, Brooke Pratt, Robyn Read, Meredith O'Flynn, Candace Bastedo, Gillian Petersen, Brian Liberty, Tori Wilson, Lisa Djakalovic, Shannon Schwetz, Leora van der Linden, Carla Dubinski, Lauren Bahrani, Lisa Beaudoin, Naomi Foster, Christina Loomis, Jill Tonini, Robin Barr, Kent Barr, Michael Weaver

Absent: Jessie Blake

Call to Order: Principal Calvano called the meeting to order at 6:15pm with the land acknowledgement, and Sara proceeded to chair the meeting.

Principal's Notes:

- The Dundana community raised more than \$3000.00 for Terry Fox
- Dundana has many volunteers signed up this year; those previously enrolled will need to submit their annual offence declaration shortly
- October 10: Cross Country meet for grades 3-5
- October 12: Meet the Teacher Night
- October 26: Swim meet for grades 3-5
- Green Venture came to work with the grade 5s to plant a mini-forest
- There will be parent-teacher interviews following progress reports this fall

General Notes and Discussion Points:

- New co-chairs voted in: Shannon Schwetz & Lisa Djakalovic
- Treasurer: Gillian Petersen to remain
- New secretary: Tori Wilson
- Number of members-at-large required: we voted to change from 11 to 15 (eight to form a quorum)
- Additional voting members-at-large: Robyn Read, Meredith O'Flynn, Candace Bastedo, Brian Liberty, Leora van der Linden, Carla Dubinski, Lauren Bahrami, Naomi Foster, Jill Tonini, Michael Weaver, Sara Brown
- School Council meetings will be held on Thursday evenings, bi-monthly, in-person preferred, we voted that the hybrid model will continue
- Fundraising sub-committee formed: Robyn, Gillian, Shannon, Lisa D, Tori, Brian, Carla, Naomi, Christina, Michael
- Dundana Facebook page: needs current information; Lisa D. & Shannon to manage
- Potentially creating an Instagram account for the school

School Council Buckets for 2023-2024 School Year:

- Community Building
 - Academics
 - Arts & Resources
 - Health & Well-being
- *We must submit our plan by October 31st, 2023

Ideas for Special Events or Needs for 2023-2024 School Year:

- Plays (Duffle Bag Theatre, Turtle Island, etc.)
- Subsidized bussing for trips
- Kinder pen needs equipment
- Movie Nights (ACF licence required)
- Valentine's Dance
- Read-a-thon – Robyn to organize
- STEM items for classrooms
- Jungle Fit
- More active outside learning
- Pizza Days
- Booster Juice Days
- Fun Fair for Spring Open House

Fundraising Ideas:

- Indigo Shopping Day (% of purchases) – Michael to set up
- Plant sales before Christmas
- Chocolates before Easter – Lisa B. to assist with set up
- Mabel's Labels (ongoing fundraiser) – need to remind-advertise
- Gift card fundraiser – Naomi to look into set up
- Do Grade 5s want to do their own fundraiser (with their teachers)

Meet the Teacher Night Plan: Thursday, October 12th, 2023

-5:30-7:00pm

- We will sell whole pizzas for families (School Cash Online)
- Cash sales of single slices day of
- Apples to be included in family bundle – Carla to purchase
- Jugs of water – reminder needed to bring reusable water bottles
- Ring Pops for sale – Gillian to purchase
- Tattoos and/or stickers – Gillian and Brian to purchase
- Music: Heather's Father to DJ?
- Volunteers needed for the event in 30 minute shifts – Christina to organize Form Genie

Upcoming Meetings: 6:30pm

- Thursday, November 9th, 2023
- Thursday, January 18th, 2024
- Thursday, March 7th, 2024
- Thursday, April 11th, 2024
- Thursday, June 13th, 2024

Fundraising Sub-Committee Meeting:

- Wednesday, October 18th, 2023 via Zoom

Meeting adjourned 8:06pm