School Council Minutes

October 13, 2015

7:00pm

School Library

Attendance taken

1. Welcome

Housekeeping note:

* when sending Allison requests to be on the agenda please give time allotment.
1. Review and Approval of Agenda:  Cara and Fiona
2. Approval of September Minutes:  Yo, Jen W

B.  Principal’s Report

* tomorow is picture day.  Students only, no class pictures.  Class pictures to happen during re-take
* teachers on work to rule
* caretakers/suppert staff on work to rule; not cleaning hallways;  if safety issue (ie:spill) can be asked, will not be moving furniture \*\* Fright Night\*\*
* Nancy Niessan to ask whether teachers can clear rooms for Fright Night
* Secretaries are not answering the door, Principal and VP will be answering doors and calling children from class if they are being picked up early, no handling of money and no e-mails
* updates on work to rule status will be posted on the school website.
* there will be no parade to Aberdeen Gardens for Halloween( Oct 30).  Instead will happen inside the school and we have invited Aberdeen Gardens here.
* Fiona:  Can school council do something to support the teachers?  Idea was proposed that a letter would be drafted, made available for parents/guardians to sign.  Nothing can be put through Home and School or School Council as this would be a conflict of interest.  Fiona will draft and take a leadership role.  Possibly to occur at Fright Night.
* Can we look at getting Class Lists with contact info for parents who would like to us it to arrange playdates, etc?? Class list would help with communication.

C.  Staff Report- Jen M

* Cross Country meet postponed to a later date.
* Staff thank parents for being so flexible with date changes.
* Nutrition Program:  leftovers contribute to the mouse problem, everything needs to be sealed and contained.  Can we make it a class/ teacher managed task? Current system requires too much monitoring, need to choose items that will not spoil: no milk, no cheese. Possibly need a volunteer in every room to suppor
* Teachers questioning whether we need it at EK.  Intent is not necessarily to provide food for children in need, but getting kids to try different things.

D.  New Business

* Playground sub-committee update from Christi:  submitted proposal to Evergreen for trees and shrubs.  Please update committee, if you want to join or want to be removed please let Christi know.

E.  Kindergarten Dismissal

* gate is extremely overcrowded.  No snow yet.  Could we have a class be dismissed from the front??
* cars are a concern
* potential to have a contained space on the playground
* Richelle to check policy

Action Item:  Kindergarten Dismissal

School Council meeting adjourned 7:40

Next meeting to be held Tuesday November 10, 2015 at 8:00pm

Home and School Meeting Minutes

October 13, 2015

7:45

1. Nutrition Program:  key points: we dont have to provide a serving for each child in the school, just needs to be provided.  Instead move towards a grab and go format.  Kids would get a snack from a cart:  all three food groups on a cart, volunteer to monitor cart.  Takes out of teachers hands.  As well have a non-parishable food item in the classroom.  option to not include kindergarten.  rotation on a monthly basis and parents will know in advance (allergies, diabetics)

-Kernels Popcorn:  $2, will make a $1 a bag to go to the Nutrition Program.  Will start to advertise at Fright Night.

Christi proposed “Neighbourhood matching grant” through the city of Hamilton.

Fright Night Fundraising:            $8,000.00 (Last year)

* 10,000 for the playground
* 2,000 for grade 5 grad
* 1,000  for subsidy such as Home Reading Program

Fright Night Details:

* Friday Night 6-9 p.m. volunteer table and child care available
* minors need to be with parent

-permit for Saturday 12-11 p.m.  Bake table and silent auction donations to come in

-please sign up on the bringit.

TOYS:

-old toys for prizes

-new toys for raffle

HAUNTED HOUSE:

Bridgette

CREEPY CREATIONS:

Kelly

TOY RAFFLE

Rosie Kott

need donations

FREAKY FOTOS

Koop and Annondale

CAKE SHOP of DIY decor Horrors:

-Wizard of Oz theme

-40 cakes

-supplement with homemade Halloween decorations

WITCHES KITCHEN- Devin and Natacha

VAMPIRE VINYARD- ANNE

* PLEASE DONATE WINE

DECORATIONS:

* hallway decorator
* go through bins to re-organize it.
* Allison, Anne, Laura, Hannah to clean out wednesday, thursday.

Milk and Pizza:

-lots of subsidy $2500.00

-ready to go for Friday

- sorting out cooler bags

* meeting ended at 8:50 p.m.

Action:  Nutrition Program