

Holbrook School Council Minutes: November 12th, 2014

In attendance: Non-members-Barb, Members-Joanne Robar, Mike Palma, Katherine Burch, Cathie Lemmond, Ira Henderson (chair)

- Welcome and call to order - **7:05**
 - Approve the agenda - **Items added-acclamation of teacher rep, Crock A Doodle - consensus**
 - Approve October 8th meeting minutes – **consensus**
 - Council Member – **Joanne Robar was acclaimed to council as a teacher rep**
 - Principal's Report
- 1. Curriculum:**
- Primary – “Class Act” for students that need extra support, Leveled Literacy Intervention groups, Empower Reading program
 - Juniors – guided practice – literacy groups- LRT support – **3 groups currently at Holbrook**
 - Raz Kids – Joanne – **online literacy tool to foster partnership between parents/teachers/students**
 - Focus on inquiry based learning and teacher/school practice – linked to Social Studies new document
 - Math – Numeracy –Proportional Reasoning – staff professional learning happening at the school level and Gr. 3/6 inservicing
 - Enrichment Centre – school involvement week of December 15
 - Progress Reports come home Tuesday, Nov. 18th
 - Parent Teacher conferences – Thursday evening or Friday – an opportunity to review the strengths and “next steps” in the report
 - Trips: Gr. 2/3 Gr. 3 / 4 Dundas Museum – what was life like in the 1800s? November 14th / Gr. 1/2 Children's International Centre – celebrations around the world December 10th – **visit will be tweaked to Holbrook student interests**
- 2. Environment:**
- Halloween parade – a wonderful sight
 - Bulldogs Game – loud! great time for kids
 - Swim Meet – great sportsmanship - did well
 - Remembrance Day assembly – wreaths to Idlewhyld
 - Lockdown – November 26 – school liaison officer Sara
- 3. Fundraising**
- Music program – shown to staff tomorrow at Staff meeting – Thank you!! Excited about using it
 - Projectors – still need 2 – Rm 8 and Rm 9/10 \$700 each – **adjusted to 1 projector needed**
 - Survey staff for classroom/school needs
 - Chocolate bar assembly – Nov. 17 Kick off
- 4. Volunteers**
- Nutrition program – going well – Enrichment Centre using it too

- Nursing students – 2 this year – looking to involve themselves in other ways to provide healthy active living opportunities for students
- Peace Breakfast – 3 volunteers with more to come

- Treasurer's Report

Holbrook Financial Statement 08/1/2014 to 11/10/2014				
Council Opening Balance (Nevada \$540.63)		2,615.73		
<u>Income</u>				
Fundraising Campaigns				
Magazines	805.00			
Total Fundraising Campaign Income		805.00		
Other				
Spirit Wear	65.00			
Treat Days	325.00		Profit \$34.80	
Meet the Teacher BBQ	379.50			
Total Other Income		769.50		
Total Income		<u>1,574.50</u>		
<u>Expenses</u>				
Student Classroom Support				
Agendas (\$538.13 paid from Nevada)	710.01		Tax rebate lowered the cost from \$785.35	
MusicPlay	1,434.68		Grant for \$500 lowered the cost	
Total Student Classroom Support Expenses		2,144.69		
Activities				
Treat Days	290.20			
Meet the Teacher BBQ	268.98			
Total Activities Expenses		559.18		
Flex Money				
Nevada	2.50			
Swim Caps	48.12			
Council Insurance	141.86			
Total Flex Money Expenses		192.48		
Total Expenses		<u>2,896.35</u>		
Total Income Less Total Expenses		-1,321.85		
Council Balance as of November 10th		1,293.88		

- New Business

Events

- Split the Parent Engagement Grant between the four family events (movie, game, dance, talent)? – ***Ira inquired about using some of the money towards free food for the event, Cathie suggested confirming acceptable use of grant with Aaron Puley, Ira will check and inform council at the next meeting.***
- Game night: December 11th

Activities

- Peace breakfast: December 11th – ***Ira suggested the idea of muffins, but instead muffins will be provided by the healthy snack program, along with milk, on December 15th for Monday Milk Muffin Day. If You Give a Moose a Muffin will be read. Pancakes will still be served, a request for volunteers will go home, Heather will be asked to be in charge the day of, Ira will organize supplies and setup, Cathie will make berry sauce, clementines will be given to each student and Santa will attend likely with candy canes***
- Crock A Doodle – ***Ira motioned that council will cover up to \$125 of cost if participant numbers aren't reached – approved***
- Social Media Zombies-January 12th

Purchases

- Recess bins
- Apple TV – ***Cathie is surveying teachers and asking for their top 3 suggestions of items they feel would help the students, Cathie's list includes 1 projector \$700 and 2 Apple TV \$130 each***

By-Laws

- Official signing – ***Mike and Ira signed the by-laws***
- Dates of next council meetings: ***Jan 21st***(changed from Feb 4th), April 8th, June 3rd, 6:00 p.m. – ***Family event dates confirmed: dance Feb 27th, move April 17th, talent show first week of May***
- Adjournment – ***7:20***