

# Lawfield Parent Council - November 26th Meeting

Tuesday, November 26, 2019

6:00 PM

## Attendees:

Sarah N.

Justice M. - Student Council

Chris D.

Holly E.

Jeff M.

Heather A.

Lisa E.

Veronica B.

Jackie T.

Nancy N.

Kerri L.

Michael H.

Nichole R.

Eli R. - student

Chantal Lacroix – Principal

Jennifer Miscas – Vice Principal

Jessica Carpio – Teacher Rep

Tasha Reid – Umbrella Daycare Rep

## **Opening Remarks and General Updates**

Approve October Meeting Minutes

## **Parent Involvement Committee (PIC)**

No Update

## **Umbrella Daycare Program**

No Update

## **Student Council Update**

35 members (originally 55, but some dropped out)

Core is 20 students, meet weekly

335 raised for Breast Cancer Awareness

Dance went really well (donations went to Breast Cancer Awareness)

Dry dances all year - great success

Looking for money for proper DJ, used Apple iTunes membership, complaints from kids (even though they could request in advance) - have to avoid songs with swear words

DJ last year cleaned up songs (removed swear words) - might request funds to help with this in February

Kids want all dances to be donation based to support charity

Would like to do a bake sale before the holidays to raise money for student council

Awareness campaign (Movember) they are running this week (Prostate cancer & men's health)  
Acts of kindness committee - JR & Primary kids are awarded lanyards if they are seen demonstrating acts of kindness - kids are jumping on board. Great opportunity for kids to show it's cool to be kind.

Intermediates get golden ticket & can take a friend out for lunch

Trying to be inclusive with younger kids

Hopefully trying to do a spirit day on the last day of school

Intermediate kids to do card making with younger kids

Having a lot of fun!

### **Justice (Student Council President) Update**

Breast Cancer - donations for dance \$328 plus food drive

Basketball is coming soon!

Need to work on how we present sports and spread the word, in order to increase school pride and family atmosphere

Can the Weekly update be used to help spread the word (sports council?)

Justice to let Chantal know who to speak with

Scheduling of Student Roles - need to improve teamwork & balance the work

December calendar - spirit days, toy drive

Movember - learning curve for student council, mustaches cut out

Consulting, need to work together better with the committees

### **Bus Duty**

Traffic is flowing a lot more smoothly but some parents are angry, but feeling this is good as it's not so chaotic

AI (EA) at front, Nancy at Bus, Jessica at parking lot entrance

Call out for volunteers to help with piloning off the exit of the parking lot

Lisa will help!

Need to provide an extra safety vest

Working with Bi-law to set-up ability to give out fines

### **Principal's Update**

Volleyball - Jr/Sr Boys & Jr Girls moved into the semi-finals (waiting results of Sr Girls' game tonight)

As of today, office admin, DECEs (Designated Early Childhood Educators), occasional teachers are now in work to rule

Learning & safety are the priority

Everything is business as usual

PD around EQOA, Math, Reading is not happening, not submitting ministry reports

Could enter into phase II, hopeful that talks will be successful to avoid this

Field trips are still happening, extra-curricular, sports extra still happening

### **Bullying Awareness Week**

Sarah will send out full presentation deck (from Jennifer)

Staff Meeting last week & PA Day this week will focus on Bullying

Training & awareness will be ongoing, currently focusing on learning and reviewing current protocols that may not be being used as much as they should  
Staff are trained on the new form for reporting, Chantal and Jennifer are notified once submitted and the reports are tracked in excel  
Option to do more mediated talks, trying to give the kids a voice (Jessica uses her own time, parents are notified)  
Early intervention is key, knowing your students, documentation  
Posters can be put around the school - Student Council can help  
Duties are expanded to include checking in on the bathrooms when teachers are walking by

## **Fundraising**

Fundraising Plan

Bookfair, Pizza Day, Lunch Lady, Picture Day  
School Council events, gift cards, toy sales etc  
Halloween Dance, Coffee House, Dance-a-thon  
Murals in the library to make it inviting (buck a ballot) & pick a prize, kids provide input

Halloween Dance – Event Update

16 HS volunteers

\$900 profit

170 tickets

A great success! Tons of fun!

## **Ongoing Fundraising Initiatives**

Shelley has offered to book the Dance-a-thon (usually the week before March break - might want it earlier, maybe late February)

Sarah to email Shelly to confirm the date for the gym/DJ (consensus reached)

Lisa/Chris - Gift Card booklet (list of vendors) given to parents, who email their gift card order  
School Cash online, also cheque and cash (Ms Keddy has to set it up in School Cash online - will she do this with work to rule?)

Each vendor gives a different % back to the school, e.g. Best Buy 1.5%, Pizza pizza 10%, Starbucks %5

We could pair down the list

Chris will look into if there is a vendor who will accept direct orders online (cards mailed direct to buyer) and cut a cheque to cash

Need to give Ms Keddy to 3 weeks notice to load something on school cash online

Chocolate sales (winter/spring) - we have a parent volunteer (Meg S) to lead it (Lisa to confirm)

Will need some volunteers for this, and likely use school cash online

Student Council could help with promotion, sorting, etc

Next meeting January 28th, 6pm - 7:10 pm