

June 13, 2023 – Parent Council Meeting Minutes

Meeting Called to Order at 6:30pm by Laura Zonta

Attendance: Katie, Laura, Wendy, Heather, Lindsay, Jenn, Kirsten, Donna, Marissa, Ms. Mochrie, Kelly

Approval of March Minutes – 1st – Lindsay , 2nd - Donna

Principal's Report -

- Students created a Thank You board at front of school for all of the school volunteers this year. Gratitude for pizza days/lunches, book fairs, classroom enhancement, dinner and skate, junglesport, book swap, Go for Green, open house and class trips.
- Student Leadership – partnership with Good Sheppard and City Kids. Thank you for the gold fish and granola bars. June is preparing a backpack for a student with school supplies. HWDSB donated canvas bags and each classroom will fill a bag.
- Assembly in September. Leaders in Grade 3 this year will be leading as they go into Grade 4.
- Report Cards June 27th
- School starts next year on Wednesday Sept 6th, not the Tuesday after Labour Day.
- Meet the Teacher will be October 3rd.
- Open House next year will be May 7th
- Children can find out their class and next year's teacher on August 28th on Parent Portal
- Culture of High Expectations – respect, manners, patience, volume – having kids pick up in September where we've left off this year.

Teacher Report – Alison Mason

Mrs Bailey/Mrs. Hayward – FDK –Celebrating last days of school. Kinder picnic June 24th from 1:45-2:45. Families are welcome to bring a nut free treat to share.

Mrs. DiToro/Mrs. Coakwell – FDK –Celebrating last days of school. Tie-Dying shirts!

Mrs. Frizell – Grade 1 – Science working on Structures. Excited for class trip to learn about animal structures. Math finishing fractions, probability and coding. Language working on applying phonics skills to write more.

Mrs. May – Garde ½ - In Math working on coding and probability. In science, building and racing cars, structures and simple machines. Tambo's mom to teach about animal structures. Rockton Fair entries.

Mr. Kimmerly – Grade 2/3 –Language letter writing and peer editing. Reviewing 3 digit adding and subtracting and 2 digit multiplying and dividing. In science researching forces on Earth. In music soundscapes and tempo.

Mrs. Dahmer – Grade 3 –Crawford Lake trip was a great success. Students did a fantastic job preparing for EQAO and completing it. Getting back to routine.

Mrs Leach – Grade 4 –Rockies Repeat Film Screening. Indigenous artists capture how climate change is affecting future of glacial environment in Canadian Rockies. Created instruments out of recycled materials and performed in front of Ms. Bailey’s class. In Health growth and development has been taught.

Mrs. Nedelko – Grade 5 – Field trip to McMaster was great! Fractions in math. Science project presentations (an organ in the body and related illnesses). First Nations and Europeans in New France and in Early Canada. Health puberty.

Mrs. MacCuish – French – Wrapping up book study Pauvre Michel and Super Bibittes (bugs). Preparing Rockton Fair entries and end of year review.

Mrs. MacCuish – LRT – Empower is done. Post assessments happening for Lexia and Empower. Parent calls June 19th. IEPs going home June 21 to be returned before end of school year.

Mrs. Mason – Physical Education/Dance – FDKs doing relays, waiting their turn is so much better! Grades 1-3 doing outdoor skills with new equipment, comet tails, fling rings and foam discs. Jump Rope for Heart trying again on June 16th. Track and Field – 50 Millgrove students going on June 15th. Getting outside and playing.

Mr. Ellis – Learning Commons – Robotics Club is winding down, thank you to all club members. Please return all library books by end of June. New books have arrived for September.

Budget – iPads, speakers have come out of account. Some items for June still need to come out like Pita, Subs and Pizza (approx. \$3100)

Anticipated costs are \$500 for grad, \$100 for agendas, \$1456 for mulch for fall, \$1900 for Jungle Sport for February (total approx. \$5256 allotted for carry over to next year)

Balance is \$2357.57

Vote to spend \$129.50 on a bus for Track and Field. Donna 1st, Marissa 2nd – All in Favour

Fundraising –

For next year keep Pizza Days, Halloween Dance (money to Jungle Sport), Little Caesars, Cobbs, Subs and Movie Night.

Fundscript – gift card fundraiser. Hit it different times during the year such as November for Christmas gifts and May for end of year gifts.

Big Box of Cards - \$30 for 30 cards. School makes \$11 per box. 2-4 weeks of selling. Birthday Box is suggested rather than all occasions. Thinking of doing it in Spring with online sales.

Lunches – 2 days a week ideal instead of three. Subs and Pizza only. Maybe a monthly smoothie special rather than weekly. Check into Booster Juice for a special smoothie day.

Pizza – should we add pepperoni. After vote, most in favour of keeping cheese option only.

Go For Green – Event went really well. Next year have black garbae bags for invasive species that are labelled. Thank you for volunteers. Lunch from teachers was great. Adopt a Garden to continue over

summer. Now have water at front of school. Nathan will be here over summer and can give the key for hose to anyone needing to water gardens.

Play Day – Monday May 26 – hotdogs for all students at 2nd nutrition break. Volunteers: Donna, Kirsten, Laura, Katie, Heather.

Movie Night – Cancelled due to heat. Movie night committee had met with ideas to make movie nights more successful including handouts and reminders ahead of time of movie theatre etiquette, no running in halls, volunteer watching hallway, stamps to limit number of certain candy items, and Wendy back in gym for popcorn.

September – Pizza days to start earlier. Set up School Cash Online for 2nd or 3rd week of school.

Media consent form online ahead of school.

Halloween Dance Planning to start first thing in September.

First meeting in September will be Tuesday the 19th.

Parent Engagement Survey -

- Got 75 returned
- 7 don't know about school website, 35 never check website, 18 haven't subscribed
- only 7 aren't on FB group. Facebook group for updates will be key.
- Weekly email from Tara with key dates is amazing. Keep that up.
- Only 9 don't check agendas daily.

Calendar – Develop a calendar for fall with key dates, fundraisers, City Kids initiatives, pink shirt days etc to provide more notice for families. Laura, Jenn and Chantal will follow up.

Motion to Adjourn – Everyone! Have a good evening!

HAVE A GREAT SUMMER!