

Strathcona Council Meeting

Date: October 17th, 2019

Attendees:

Ms. Kim Chute
Daniel Santibanez
Ms. Corrina Grohmann
Brent Wathen
Andrew Downey
Theresa Berry
Julia Lillicrop
Susan Capobiano
Cara Hindley

Extra Agenda Items: Book Fair

1. Teacher's Report

- Stream of Dreams was a success. Kids in kindergarten through to Grade 5 participated and fish are now up. Thank you Sage for fundraising for this event.
- Fire Safety Presentations for kids in kindergarten to Gr.5. Kids were asked to create 2 sided photocopy of own exit plan.
- Swim Team is underway and going well. Thanks to parent volunteers who have been walking with the kids
- The fresh air program began last week for the Gr.2/3 and GR. 4/5 Sage students.
- Terry Fox run, doubled last year's fundraising goal. Using pledge sheets helped remind students.
- Book Fair-possible dates Nov 5th-8th
- Cross Country was very successful, thank you to parents
- We now have 3 student teachers, 2 from Nipping and 1 from Brock University.

2. Principal Report

- Picture Day was on Tuesday and retakes are scheduled for November. Packages will be coming home next week

- Spirit wear forms coming home, prices are low again this year.
- School travel plan in works- Erin Fuller helped post no idle signs with Ms. Chute. Goal to reduce amount of car traffic at front of the school, for child safety and environmental concerns.
- Received clean air report, will announce shortly.
- Orange shirt day was at the end of September, we bought specific books to introduce to kids in an age appropriate way.
- Kindergarten vision screening coming soon.
- Painting was completed in front and back playgrounds, we will be ordering bean bags soon in addition.
- More yellow shirt days coming up on Feb 5th and April 22nd, trying to claim eco school status, will participate if there is enough interest.

3. SHASA Report

- Pizza, popcorn running smoothly, voting on whether to move ordering to online.
- Last movie night had a great turn out; next one is Oct 28th and will be Toys Story 4.
- There is no pizza day last week of Oct. And the next SHASA meeting will be in Nov 6th.
- Poinsettia fundraiser happening through Terra. Forms going out Nov 4th, Dec 3rd will be delivery.
- Fall Day will be last week of school for all Kindergartners. There will be 3 or 4 games and pumpkin patch, we need volunteers
- ukulele club started and will be performing at Winter Extravaganza Nov 28th
- Halloween Parade 2pm on Oct 31st, no masks allowed.

4. SAGE Report

- Budget passed \$8000 total, \$5000.00 to whole school and \$3000 to Sage enhancements.
- Art Enhancement project for whole school is Whit Pine Dancers and Global enhancements school trip to International Learning Centre.
- Stream of Dream a successful day, funds carried over from last year was used to fund project.

- Fundraising budget passed- Mind your bee's fundraiser in November, Pancake breakfast on Nov 23rd.
- Plant Sale fundraiser for whole school in May.

4. Book Fair

- Ms. Boyd has volunteered to run Book Fair this year. We are looking for volunteers.
- Setup will be on Wed after school and Thursday start, do wish list with kids. Teacher interviews will also be Thursday night. Staff to discuss the location of Book Fair this year.

5. Treasurer Report

- Carry over under \$20.00 dollars from last year, Daniel to update on budget next meeting.

Ideas put forward to discuss

- Parent education workshop- possible topics to discuss "Internet Safety" and "Literacy help" - discuss further in November.