

Minesing Central Public School Council

October 12, 2016

Members Present: Jody DeGrechie, Sara vanKolschoten, Sarah Carisse, Diana Smith, Carol Clemens, Jen Fraser, Angela Hilts, Tara Sutton,

Staff: Jeff Dunlop (Teacher rep), Sonia Kadela (Principal), Carol Timpano (VP)

Guests: Lindsay Muir, Cathy Shaw (Grade 8 parent rep), Curtis (Hewitt's Farm)

1. Welcome: Tara Sutton

2. Hewitt's farm: Welcome Curtis to introduce fundraising program
 - a. 4 years mostly in Orillia, desserts, meat pies, entrees, meat
 - b. Grocery and "Thanksgiving" order forms.
 - c. Sort and process orders at Hewitts; can handle orders and payment if we want; p/u at school or p/u at farm;
 - d. 20-30% profit
 - e. Angela will coordinate; can run any time in the year; turnaround 5-6 weeks for product delivery
 - f. revisit in January - consider lunch program timing and March break; Easter delivery (April 15)

3. Council minutes from previous meetings
 - a. June 1, 2016 meeting: Vote to approve addendum for bike rodeo: unanimous
 - b. Sept 14, 2016: vote to adopt minutes from Sept, Angela moved, Jody seconded

4. Principal/Teacher report:
 - a. Great fast turnaround day; smooth, 52 children moved; continue to inform about combined classes... teacher teach to child, not just to curriculum, children can be 2 years above or 2 years below "grade"
 - b. 2 teachers left - Scharf and Barrowman - hiring, hope to start Monday or by Friday next week
 - c. Events:
 - i. CTV in for grade 3 transforming learning spaces (cannot accept donations - need to go through tender process at board);
 - ii. 7-8s at Fort Willow (making it a national part) - well done!
 - iii. Terry Fox run - colour house t-shirts for all
 - iv. meet the teacher night great event

- v. Elmvale fall fair - great review (1-6) - first year, request for Minesing to attend again (entry cost reported wrong - \$10 not \$5)
- vi. Sports up and running; x-country, flag football volleyball, basketball;
- vii. ProGrant: Wed Mar 1, STEAM night (instead of March meeting); parent/child evening; Ms. Timpano creating committee for organizing event; STEAM - approach to learning that uses science, tech, engineering, arts, math; 6C's of education. What do we want our STEAM evening to look like, and how to explain to parents what it is, and how to engage parents (robotics), student leaders; initial meeting within a couple of weeks
- vii. Money:
 - a. Basketball poles and nets - \$3800 from school enhancement account, \$2000 left in that account
 - b. School beautification \$3000 in account - use \$5000 from this and from school enhancement for new curtains (current curtains are not to code - not fireproof), curtains must meet requirements for safety. Vote on using funds, unanimous
 - c. Will need to consider fundraising for school beautification
 - d. Technology: Big Box cards fundraising - chromebooks bought already; would like to have tubs of 6 chromebooks in each of the 5 portables; \$5500 on chromebooks, \$1200 on document cameras (5 on order)
 - e. \$1700 left in technology account - would like to use on screen for auditorium (old one removed - safety concerns with old one) - use \$1500 from school generated technology account and add \$1500 from this year's fundraising plan; voted unanimously to approve fund allocation
- ix. Camp Kitchi cancelled - cannot guarantee sufficient supervision to prevent issues (high school students in cabin as opposed to trained volunteers); Kandalore has trained supervisors - Grade 6s; Grade 4s will not be doing an overnight trip - need to find some other trips - teachers

5. Council Projects:

- a. Pizza Q; good results, hand out pizza from 5:30 to 6 (shorter); need to have order forms on hand to confirm who had ordered... would have run out if everyone had picked up their orders; have extra on hand to sell; all volunteers were amazing
- b. Fundraiser ideas for 2016-2017:
 - i. Colts went out, orders not yet due (what seats - up in one of four corners)

- ii. Snow Valley coupon booklet - Tara will look after again this year, try to run before Christmas for stocking stuffers;
- iii. QSP due Monday, but magazines run all year (online) - send out reminders during year for magazine and at Christmas for online orders
- c. Lunch orders - volunteers needed
 - i. Pizza - Lori Adams needs training; Jen Burns will come in
 - ii. Mucho, Nicholson, Pita Pit need volunteers
 - *reminder that parents with young children can bring the children in*
 - iii. Carrie can call volunteer binder, need to go through forms and see who can support lunches

6. Grade 8 fundraising:

- a. Limited to 5 fundraisers
- b. Ideas, silent auction, bake sales (4 total), popcorn (can sell all year), Hot dogs, Applebee's
- c. Last year raised 50% of the cost of the trip (max that can be raised)
- d. All fundraising must be done by end of April.
- e. \$630 per student last year, will be more this year since 2 buses are required instead of 1 last year.
- f. E-mail list of grade 8 parents needed.

7. New business - none.

8. Meeting adjourned at 8pm.