

Minesing Central Public

School Council Meeting Wed. April 6 2016

Present: Jenn Burns, Wanda Maw-Chapman, R. Meraska, S. Kadela, Tara Sutton, Lori Philips, Carol Timpano, Jennifer Aistrop, Angela Hilts, Carol Clemens, Jen Fraser, Jeff Dunlop, Robert Harower (YMCA), Corry Van Nispen, Sara Van Kolfschoten

Recorder: Sara Van Kolfschoten

1. Welcome – completed by Lori Philips
2. Review of Minutes – Adopted by Angela Hilts, Seconded by Jenn Burns
3. School Cash User Fees – Mr. Cory Van Nispen (Controller, SCDSB) present to discuss.
 - There is an annual fee based on 0.7% of usage
 - Board decided that this should be a user cost as they cover many other costs. They felt the HST rebate would cover the annual cost (schools get back 12 out of 13% charged)
 - Credit card usual is an additional fee and is 1.6/1.8% of the transaction – this comes out of council fundraising money
 - The annual fee is billed Oct 1 based on last year. School advised to plan for this fee one year at a time – not hold money for multiple years for this
 - Parents should be notified that if paying by credit card that the school council will pay the fees out of fundraising
 - This is not currently noted on the website
4. Principal/Teacher(s) Report – Ms. Sonia Kadela, Mr. Rick Meraska, Mr. Jeff Dunlop
 - a. Math Busking – March 2, not as well attended but all enjoyed it
 - Suggest different type of night next year
 - Parent council corner
 - b. Carnival – occurred before March break. Thanks to council for the hot chocolate.
 - c. World Autism Day – celebrated this week in school
 - d. International Day of Pink – April 13, related to all types of bullying.
 - Leadership team will be decorating storefronts downtown Barrie as part of Paint the Town Pink April 8 2016. Angie's Outdoor/Bravo Fine Lingerie/Trek Bicycle Store/Boon Burger/Metzgers
 - e. April 27 is our Wellness evening – committee met earlier tonight
 - 18 organizations for the evening
 - Set up and take down help needed
 - Will run 630-830pm
 - 730-830 wellness activity, 3 20min sessions including yoga and make a button
 - Grade 8 will do digital citizenship presentation – proper use of technology, safety
 - Advertised on community board on George Johnston, FB pages, Rock 95 news, twitter and email
 - Council to be present as Welcome at Front Door

- Passport may be beneficial
- Grade 8s may have popcorn
- PDF of flyer to be sent out for council to post as appropriate to social media
- f. May 4 will be book fair. Art Showcase as well that day. Council meeting that night will be in Staff Room
- g. Many school trips – Kings Wharf (3-6), Georgian College Theatre (K-2), Stratford (7), Camp Kitchi (4), Rounds Ranch (5), Quebec (8)
- h. After school numeracy – teacher suggested which children to attend
 - 1.5hr on Tuesdays with Mrs. Kowalyk and Mrs. Hall
 - Funded from Ministry to Board to School
 - 22 kids, 2 sessions
 - Targeting certain issues/skills
 - Snacks provided from the snack program
- i. EQAO May 24-27 for grade 6, May 24-June 1 Grade 3.
 - Collaboration with Forest Hill teachers to share marking of booklets in practice
 - Kids will get popsicles and outside time at end of day
 - System not classroom check in
- j. Basketball Nets – once warmer the poles will go to Barrie Welding to redo and then put into ground. 4 nets. Funding from Jump Rope and School Beautification Fund
- k. Septic should be fixed this summer, may be getting a new portable. If so will be placed by Mr. Flood's.
- l. 20 homerooms allocated for next year – no change from this year. Noted that we are a growing area. Possible mention of 2 school room addition in a board report. Continue to deny all out of area requests.
- m. School Board presentation April 19 5-7pm with Forrest Willett

5. Update on Council Projects

- a. Pro Grant – next year application due May 29. There is a list of other school activities we can review. STEAM would be a good focus. Bring ideas to May meeting.
- b. Bike Rodeo – Carol, Jen and Diane.
 - June 8 date 5-7pm confirmed with Police Committee, pavilion booked, skate board park to be confirmed but Janine Peck indicated yes.
 - wondering if should hold raffle (gaming licence needed). Should it be fundraising night or just for fun. Decided by council to be just for fun, a community building event.
 - Query bouncy castle again this year. Bring all ideas via email prior to May meeting. Sign up at May meeting for duties.

C Grade 8 Grad update – met April 4th. 4 Committees (food, décor, clean up, reception). Split among Grade 7 and Grade 8's. 7s will contribute food. Décor – try and reuse. \$500 budget from council. Families decided to charge \$10/grad which brings their budget to \$1000.

- D. Big Box Fundraiser – estimated to bring in \$1000, actually brought in \$8000
- helps with fundraising shortfall this year
 - 465 boxes remain to be sorted and picked up. Volunteers to be contacted to help on Monday to sort (Sara to join Jen and Angela), Pick up will be Tues/Wed and Lori and Wanda will come 330-530. Jenn B. and Angela to f/u with those who have not yet picked up on Thursday.

6. Grade 8 Fundraising

- \$14202 to date plus still have a Bake Sale April 26, Apple Bee Breakfast and Popcorn
- Ends in May
- Suggested by Jen A. that there be less Grade 8 fundraising next year

7. New Business

- a. Ukulele music (pay) program – afterschool
- Should our school offer these types of programs?
 - Questions for parents
 - Will forward this flyer via email to council so we can review next month as we ran out of time to fully discuss.

Meeting adjourned 8:10pm.