



School Council Meeting Minutes
January 24, 2018

Meeting Attendees: Sherry Rissling, Ashleigh Murray, Graeme Dennis, Danielle Pluth, Myrna Bushell, Julie Smyth, Cindy Arnott, Karen Murray, Joanne Mcquarie, Tammy Brugevitz

Item	Topic	Discussion	Person
1.0	Call to Order: 6:43pm		Ashleigh M
2.0	Approval of Oct Minutes	Tammy approved minutes and Karen second.	
3.0	Review of Agenda	Danielle approved agenda and Karen second.	
4.0	Report Updates		
4.1	Principal/ Vice Principal	<p>Sherry reviewed her report, see attached.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Sherry notes retirement for Mrs. Arnott went really well. -Mrs. Davies and Mr. Resch helping with athletic coordination has been helpful. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Tammy noted concerns with basketball uniforms, Sherry to look into. -Makerspace volunteer forms sent home. Changing to Tuesdays. -Swim lessons reviewed – YMCA doesn't look like it is going to work out for a variety of reasons. Sherry suggests going back to the Leisure center and since it is late in the year, perhaps doing it in September would be a better option (gr. 5's would be included then). At the Leisure center they can have free swim while the other kids are doing lessons. Tabled to financial meeting. -PAT dates set by school, Sherry asked for feedback. Everyone done by June 27th in time for June 28th last day of school -Science Fair – March 9th PM – gr 4-9 optional -Playground sign – PRSD looking to see how want it mounted – free standing \$1500.00, or outside of gym wall, less expensive – decided on free standing outside of the fence facing the street -Accountability Pillar survey – can survey more than just Gr. 4-9 but have to do during school wide event. -K registration, nothing to report yet -Gr. 6 scheduling – Junior high want Gr. 6 schedule to line up with Jr. High as recess is disruptive – may try it and see if there is an increase of behaviours etc. with having less recess time. -Bathroom renovations: looking to make the bathrooms by the office into open concept bathrooms. -Admin highlights – cost savings – perhaps leasing Chrome books every 3 years rather than replenishing a whole computer lab. Eventually want computers into kid's hands where they are using it. If 1 breaks down, more cost effective to replace. Will start with about a 1:4 ratio, teachers would sign out just like the lab etc. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Google suite training for staff the 2 days before school starts. -November 11th weekend will have an SI day attached next year. -Literacy Fair timeline for other kids viewing reviewed – Jan 26th 	Sherry R.
4.2	Chair/Vice Chair	Nothing to report	Angela
4.3	Trustee	See attached report	Graeme

		-Foremost School – did presentation regarding robotics and farming. -Budget cuts, not specific of where and when the cuts will take place to help with new initiatives.	
4.4	Secretary	Nothing to report	Danielle P
5.0	Old Business	None noted	
6.0	New Business	Stars and Wishes – Stars – 1. Christmas market was very successful Wish Mrs. Arnott feedback from previous meeting: some screen surveys handed in.	
7.0	Discussion Topic	Screen Time - -Sherry notes that lunchtime and obesity stats discussed with staff and there should no longer be a concern of children watching shows while eating, if it is, parents can chat with the specific teacher to further explore. -Parents in attendance: -would like extra screen time that is not for educational purposes reduced as technology in school increases. -voiced concerns about amount of screen time children are getting as it impacts attention, self-regulation, behaviours, upper body strength etc. as per available research -don't want screen time used to manage children's behaviours as it inadvertently causes other issues (usually more behaviours). -don't want it used to fill time ("children are done") or as a babysitter -are fine with screen time being used as a reward a few times a year but would prefer other reward options being given especially to the younger children. -would prefer class parties to not include screen time especially if several parents are there to help out with activities. -Danielle Pluth suggested Heavywork be considered for movement breaks to help attention i.e. criss cross push-ups, wall pushes, etc.	
8.0	Meeting Adjourned:	7:51pm	Ashleigh M

Meeting B: Finance/Fundraising Committee Meeting

Item	Topic	Discussion	Person
1.0	Call to Order: 7:50pm		Tam
2.0	Finance Report Update	Balances: General \$44 144.12 Casino: \$13 852.09	Ashleigh

3.0	Old Spending General Account		Ashleigh
4.0	Casino Money	Swim Lessons for 2017 – still to be paid, Krista to do same as checks just came in.	Ashleigh
5.0	New Money	Hot Lunch - \$185.00 Hot Lunch for Friday – Beef on a bun	Ashleigh
6.0	New Spending	<p>Sound system rented for Christmas Concert but still didn't work well. Al's audio to give a quote for sound system upgrade.</p> <p>Tammy discussed a Barn Dance fund raiser – supper and dance</p> <p>Mrs. Dion requested \$100 for cubes. Ashleigh Murray made motion to approve same, Julie Smyth second.</p> <p>Gr. 9 requested their field trip money of \$1000 early prior to the end of the year. Ashleigh Murray made motion to approve, Myrna Buscholl second.</p> <p>Discussed teaming up with Early Coalition for some events. Ashleigh Murray made motion to set up Lee and Sandy Palecy with Coalition, Danielle Pluth second. Funding a presentation for Gr. 4-9 to be explored.</p> <p>Movie Night – sound system still not working, maybe wait. Ashleigh to follow-up with movie night organizer to propose doing a bingo instead. Community hall has all the bingo supplies.</p> <p>Swimming – book for Spring of 2019 March/April</p> <p>Casino booked for June 16th and 17th – 5 volunteers per night needed.</p>	Ashleigh
7.0	Meeting Adjourned: 9:26pm		

Future Meeting Dates: March 7th 9am, April 18th 6:30pm, June 6th 6:30pm

