

Credit Meadows Elementary School-Council Meeting Minutes

Meeting #8-June 9, 2014.

The meeting of the Credit Meadows School Council was called to order at 3:25pm on June 9 in the library at Credit Meadows by Barb White.

Present:

Executive

Barb White-Chair
Lorrie Wren-Treasurer
Krystal Martin-Secretary

Voting Members

Nancy Turner
Kim Beck
Karen Brown-Furey
Kim Beck

Others in Attendance

Janice Dampier
Vicky Crandall

A) Minutes

-Motion to approve the May meeting minutes by Barb W. Seconded by Karen. Carried.

B) Treasurer's Report

-The May report is not balanced.

-There are still expenses coming out in June and the thought is there will not be \$6000 to put aside for playground maintenance. Motion by Lorrie to allocate excess council funds up to \$6000 to remain in a GIC for playground maintenance and further excess in a separate GIC. Seconded by Nancy. Carried.

-There is a teacher request for a Smart Board and another Smart Board will be required for the new school year. There was a discussion on whether projectors only would be sufficient.

-Some parents thought that council had too many fundraisers and perhaps council should think of providing a greater field trip subsidy instead of more items for the school.

-Thank you to Lorrie for all her work this past year.

-Motion to accept the financial statement as presented by Lorrie. Seconded by Karen. Carried.

C) Old Business

-There will be 'learn about council' info sessions on June 11, one at 2:15 and one at 7pm.

-The new popcorn machine works beautifully and pops faster therefore saving time.

-Track & Field day is scheduled for June 12. A fun day at school will run for those who are not participating in Track & Field.

-Vicky has not heard back on the cost to refurbish the track. The intermediate soccer goal post will be replaced.

D) Principal's Report

-Vicky provided a staffing update. Some teachers will be leaving and we will be getting new teachers. There is an opening for a 0.1.

-Plans are underway to modify the front lot and assign spots to the daycare. A kiss & ride will also be created. The use of student volunteers to help children cross the sidewalk in the north lot would require a parent volunteer to monitor.

-No major renovations for CMES are planned for this summer.

-Kindergarten orientation has taken place.

-Senior Kindergarten graduation is June 20 and grade 8 graduation is June 24. Report cards go home June 25. There will be an assembly the last week of school.

-The Ottawa and Brock trips were successful.

E) New Business

-Cherish Borman spoke about the Eco Schools program. The key areas of achievement are: Teamwork & Leadership, Energy Conservation, Waste Minimization, School Ground Greening, Curriculum and Environmental Stewardship. This year CMES received bronze status. The goal next year is school ground greening and there is an opportunity for collaboration with council. There was discussion on a community garden and whether it could work at CMES.

-Janice Dampier went through the school climate survey results. Teachers will use the results for planning.

-The new principal, Anita Lagundzija-deFreitas was introduced. CMES is getting close to the number of students where it would be assigned a vice-principal.

F) Open Floor

-There was discussion on food day prices for the next school year. The suggestion is to round off the value to the nearest dollar to ease tallying. Motion by Nancy to increase the price of popcorn to \$1. Seconded by Lorrie. Carried. Motion by Nancy to increase the price of pitas to \$5. Seconded by Karen. Carried.

- If any parent volunteer has receipts for Lorrie, please submit them asap.
- Lorrie went through the school council survey results.

Meeting adjourned @ 5:07pm.

Next meeting September 15th @7:00pm