

Credit Meadows Elementary School – School Council

Meeting #2 – October 14th, 2014

The meeting of the Credit Meadows School Council was called to order by Brenda Tervit, at 7:02pm on October 14th 2104 in the library at Credit Meadows Elementary School.

Present:

Executive Brenda Tervit, Boubacar Bah, Kelly McKee, Lorrie Wren

Voting Members Krystal Martin, Lynne Norris, Robbi Price, Barb O’Meara, Kathy Daigle, Kelly Reso, Kim Beck, and Nancy Turner

NonVoting Members Anita Lagundzija-deFreitas, Barb White, Ashley Bourne and Amanda Pembleton

1. Welcome by Brenda Tervit
 - Parking Lot – any items that wished to be discussed at a meeting that are not covered on the set agenda can be added to a “parking lot” list. Topics on the list can be discussed at the end of the meeting if time allows. If no time during a meeting, the topic can be discussed via email if necessary.
 - Conflict of Interest – sometimes during a meeting a conflict may arise. Voting members are requested to let the chair know and to be excused from the vote
 - Evote – Circle of Support was approved via evote.
2. Minutes
 - Boubacar Bah made a motion to approve the September minutes. Seconded by Nancy Turner. Carried
3. Principals Report by Mrs. Lagundzija-deFreitas
 - Open House was very successful. Very good turnout with very positive feedback
 - EQAO Results
 - Math scores down 10% across the province
 - PD days are focussed around improving scores and curriculum leader will be present to discuss the results
 - Will be creating a math plan to close the gap on the scores
 - Rockwood Team will be providing some insight into how they raised their EQAO scores
 - 380 students at the start of the school year. Currently have 386 enrolled.
 - School is currently being monitored for a Vice Principal
 - Asking for more EA support
 - CYC support being shared with Princess Elizabeth
 - Encouraging communication with teacher/parents ex. Blogs, emails, etc. Parents are encouraged to advise Principal if there is a lack of communication
 - Staffing – no replacement for Bill the Custodian, part time secretary on Tuesdays and Thursdays for half a day

- Track Re-furbished, will need to get more information and will be discussed at a future meeting.
4. Treasurer Position
 - Ashley Bourne will be replacing Lorrie Wren as Treasurer
 5. Treasurer's Report
 - The Treasurer's Report was explained.
 - Insurance term to October 2014. Motion made by Nancy Turner to purchase insurance for \$200. Seconded by Boubacar Bah. Carried
 6. Food Days
 - Nancy Turner advised that Food Days are going well. Have numerous volunteers but still looking for assistance on several days.
 - Reassured that we can accommodate the field trip days
 7. Walk to School
 - Barb White advised that 128 people participated in crazy shoes
 - Good participation by parents and students
 8. Budget
 - Teachers Wish List was presented and discussed. Council requested that the Teachers Wish List have detailed monetary amounts of the items and that the items be prioritized in order of importance.
 - Discussed that raising money for the school has to have a purpose and a goal
 - Zumba – Mr. Van Maren had made a request that School Council pay for the Grade 7-8s to participate in Zumba class. Motion made by Kelly Reso for School Council to pay for Zumba lessons for the Grade 7 and 8s. Seconded by Krystal Martin. 10 in favor. 3 abstained
 9. Fundraising Committee
 - Kelly Reso, Kathy Daigal, Robbie Price and Kelly McKee volunteered to be on a sub-committee to research fundraising opportunities for the school
 10. Gift for Bill Lackey
 - Motion made by Kelly Reso to spend \$100 on a gift card for retiring Bill Lackey. Seconded by Kim Beck. Carried
 11. Remembrance Day Wreath
 - \$50 to be spend on the service/wreath
 12. Christmas in the Meadow
 - To be held on Thursday December 4th
 - Santa has been booked.
 - Theme is Christmas around the World – inclusion of all cultures
 13. Parking Lot
 - Request by Lynn Norris for members to donate any plant material for the school garden

Meeting adjourned at 8:36pm

Next Meeting November 10th 2014