

## Credit Meadows Elementary School – School Council

### MINUTES

April 2018

The meeting of the Credit Meadows School Council was called to order by Laura Fry at 6:32 pm on April 9, 2018 in the library learning commons at Credit Meadows Elementary School.

Present Executive: Virginia Dow, Laura Fry

Executive not present: Kelly McKee

Voting Members: Kim Beck, Patricia Tolton, Kerry Warnaar, Jan Pettigrew, Tammy Trimble, Inga Layman

Non-Voting Members: Anita Lagundzija-deFreitas, Andrea Papavasiliou, Brittany Pierson, Jen Rothfuchs, Barb O'Meara

1. Welcome by Laura Fry; regrets were sent by Kelly.
2. Approval of March minutes; Jan put forward a motion and Tammy seconded the motion.
3. **Principal's Report:**
  - a. We are in the final stretch of the year and are currently in the planning stages for the next school year
  - b. Six of our teachers have been attending Collaborative Math PD, hosted by Blayne Primeau at Montgomery Village.
  - c. Grade 8's will have a chance to attend a Team Leadership event at ODSS featuring guest speaker Orlando Bowen who is a motivational speaker, Once Voice, One Team!
  - d. Anita and Andrea have been doing equity surveys in our school to make sure that everyone sees themselves reflected in the school regardless of background, disabilities etc.
  - e. The upcoming PD Day will be going over feedback from staff about how the year has been and planning for the 2018/2019 school year.
  - f. Mme. Verena Mallon has been hired in the position for the 0.2 French position. Welcome to Mme. Mallon!
  - g. The High Ropes course is up and this year the new addition is the rock climbing wall. The kids are loving it and will continue to go in scheduled slots through the week.
  - h. Denise Heaslip our Superintendent will be here for a walk through this coming Thursday April 12<sup>th</sup>.
  - i. CMES recently had a tornado drill and all the students did well.
  - j. Wednesday April 11<sup>th</sup> is International Pink Day and on the 12<sup>th</sup> it will be Jersey day, our thoughts go out to the hockey community and families of the Humboldt Broncos.
  - k. Our junior team placed 4<sup>th</sup> at the Skills Canada day.
  - l. On Monday April 16<sup>th</sup> our intermediates will join other schools for a presentation by Eva Olsson who is a holocaust survivor; grades 6-8 went on a field trip to the Holocaust \*\*\* Rescheduled to May 14<sup>th</sup> due to ice storm.
  - m. We will likely be getting one more portable with a potential of six more if needed over the next few years.
  - n. Andrea discussed the upcoming Empowerment Day, it is a day for students to learn leadership skills. They listen to guest speakers and learn about kindness around the world. It is for Grade 5-8 students and costs about \$1800.
  - o. April 11<sup>th</sup> is a playground inspection day. \*\*\* Rescheduled due to ice storm.

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**4. Food Days:**

- a. The last food day block is done for the year.
- b. We included four lunch lady days this past block, this year it was on Wednesday's as that was the only selection available. Next year if we would like to continue we may have more selection on days. We could potentially make \$250 per lunch lady day. We make about \$1.50 per lunch.
- c. Pizza will be going up 50 cents a pizza in April; however we will still make roughly \$9.00 per pizza. Pizza Depot has been very good to us and always helps by sorting pizza and labelling boxes by class.
- d. Healthy Snacks, let's look into see if Walmart donates gift cards.
- e. Thank you to all the amazing volunteers who have helped out distributing lunches on our food days. We are very appreciative of your help.

**5. Treasurers Report / Teachers Requests:**

- a. When discussing the treasurer's report it was decided that we had to add additional costs to our outstanding food days. Virginia will update and resend and an e-vote will go out to approve the report. (report was approved by evote on April 24<sup>th</sup> 2018)
- b. We made all teachers requests off the revised numbers in the meeting.
- c. Arts Days – we are allocating \$4500 dollars / \$250 per class towards Arts Days. The intermediates requested to use the Arts Days money towards Scientists in the Schools. Laura put forward a motion and Kim seconded. All were in favour. (This money was already in the report it just needed approval)
- d. Playground top up, \$2195.00 to top up from the repairs made back in August. Laura put forward a motion and Kim seconded. All were in favour. (This money was already in the report it just needed approval)
- e. We have decided at the time that we cannot allocate any money towards the library cost of the smart television.
- f. Council decided to remove the budget line on retirement gifts and will donate ourselves to cover a donation towards the school in the teacher's name.
- g. Requests approved: A motion was made by Laura and seconded by Inga. All were in favour.
  - i. \$750 - Empowerment Day
  - ii. \$500 – music / trumpet repair
  - iii. \$25 – Kindergarten Orientation
  - iv. \$1200 – next year's costs:
    - 1. \$400 Dufferin Phys Ed
    - 2. \$400 Music Start up
    - 3. \$155 Insurance
    - 4. \$150 Healthy Snack
    - 5. \$95 is any extra to cover any fluctuation in costs.
- h. Review of the Treasurers report: Full report has been posted on the CMES website

<b>Balance From Report</b>	\$15,446.99	
Less: Food Day Bills	\$10,565.00	Approx.

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<b>Net Balance:</b>	<b>\$4,881.99</b>
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**6. Fundraisers / Community Events:**

- a. Dance-A-Thon was a success; we will tweak a few things for next year.
- b. Spring PRO Grant – the committee has met and has started working on getting all the stations together, the PRO Grant submission for 2018/2019 is due June 5<sup>th</sup> 2018.
- c. Fundraising Ideas 2018/2019 school year. Please think of ideas as Kelly would like to hold a fundraising meeting for ideas for next year.

Meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Next meeting to be held Monday May 7th 2018 at 6:30

Notes by Laura Fry