

March School Council Minutes - 2023

Attendees : Jody, Ximena, Jen, Meagan, Stephanie, Cathy, Brent, Michelle, Annie

Admin Report

- When a child passes away the board of education has supports in place for the students and staff at the school for example; counselling, social work.
- The cards for the crossing guards are ready and we're putting \$20 gift cards inside the cards
- Grant money - Brent is looking into if we can use the PIC money this year for next year's FTP presentation because we need to pay FTP a year in advance - regarding social media, body images, If not we can use it for Spring Fling as there will be lots of expenses.
- Michelle - Teacher rep - In the spring time we're going to get some asphalt painting of games on the hardtop

Treasure's Update - Sarah

\$73 profit for Kernals Popcorn

\$3, 860 - profit Big Box Cards

\$ 252.56 profit for first movie night

- Forest of Reading Blue Spruce Books have been ordered and are in. The cost was under \$300. This money will come out of the next round of pizza.
- Primary Playday - \$300 from the next round of pizza orders
- The movie night money will be allocated to Spring Fling

Fundraising

Big Box Fundraiser - Some orders were received in December and until late February. People might be hesitant to order again. It made good money. If we did it again then no sample boxes would be sent home because that is where some confusion was held.

Boston Pizza Day - The grade 7 and 8's ran this program and it went very well. It was very well organized.

A suggestion was made that the grade 7's and 8's start fundraising the year before to get the trip paid for.

Bus Cost - The cost for the bus is a huge expense for all field trips

Spring Fling - We need a lot of volunteers and we would like at least 20 adults plus students. We want Dairy Queen for sure (dilly bars and Jody will look into having some dairy free dilly bars). We have lots of meetings set up for Spring Fling, people have their "jobs" they are working on. We want to put a portable stage beside the doors of the gym. Stephanie contacted a magician and the prices were \$350 -\$450. Stephanie is going to contact the radio station.

Recruiting New Volunteers - How do we recruit new volunteers? Any ideas? Exposure to the community. Have a table set up at "Meet the Kindergarten Teacher Night" encouraging parents to join. Jody suggested having a trifold of information, lots of pictures of events and items that School Council has purchased.

- possible meetings on the same night on a monthly basis
- having a night at the beginning of the year that is a Q&A for parents (possible food)
- we used to use the PIC grant money for babysitting at the school
- poll parents and do a **survey** (e.g., about time, babysitting, knowing the dates of meetings beforehand etc...)
- possibly - organize all events in **June** with dates and then in September we can make committees

Sarah went to the Dufferin County Black Parent Advisory Council meeting and it was excellent. The group is looking for black families in the community to participate and join the group. The next tentative meeting is March 30th at Alder Arena.

NEXT MEETING - May 2nd at 6:30

