

School Council April 15, 2019

Present: Beth Greenfield, Lindsay Wideman, Robin Hoffman, Darcy Studer, Krista Chappell-Marchant, Lisa Doering, Kelly Crawford, Laurie Kaczmarzyk

1. Approved Last Month's Minutes: Lindsay, seconded by Beth

2. Principal's Report

School Play - April 29 dress rehearsal, April 30 and May 1 play parent performances from 11:30 - 1pm

Empowerment Day - May 2 - Grade 5 and 6 at Sleeman Centre in Guelph

EQAO: Grade 3: May 22, 23, 24

Grade 6: May 27, 28, 29

- parents should please try to schedule appointments, trips etc, around EQAO dates if possible

Scientists in the School - Grade 1/2 Tuesday, April 16

Superintendent Visit & VP from another school - Thursday, April 18 - chance for Principals, Vice Principals to see other schools

Linamar Trip - Grade 4/5 and 5/6 on April 23

Jump Rope for Heart - May 16

3. Treasurer's Report

- Summary of current Cash Flow report
- Barbecue Budget for last year and this year
- What is the role of the Treasurer? (Darcy gave a summary of the Treasurer's Role and procedures for how Council's budget is handled throughout the year as well as itemization of cash generating events and expenditures.)
- Would be nice to post an infographic on the Council Board to show how Council funds are spent so that parents have an idea what is being fundraised for and how things can be spent.
- If Fundscrip is run again in the Spring, it may make lots of money (spring construction projects) ** NEXT YEAR ** (or leave it open the whole year and send out reminders throughout the year)
- When we bring in guest speakers, presenters, etc. to the school, we need to make sure that they have a formal invoice for a company.

*** It would be nice to have "Event Sheets" that talk about the process that is gone through to organize each event (contacts, etc.) that can be used year to year. ***

4. May BBQ: May 29 - Carly & Gina

- Clown face-painters are booked and deposit
- Giant Bubbles booked and deposit paid

- Invitation for new families?
- Volunteers - high school students?

5. Hot Dogs for Next year - Carly is unable to do that role next year and that job will be open :)

6. Kindergarten Playground Update - Lisa, Gina, Beth & Kindergarten Teacher met in a sub-committee

- John Veit (Board Operations) - Greening Grant \$2000 from Board
- How can we handle the MUD PIT in the Kindergarten area? (mulch? concrete? pavement? and how long will these options last?)
- Locates are done
- Soccer posts will need to be moved and hopefully fence done in the next month
- Benches and planters to be built first
- Mud kitchen and play house (Could we allocate Council funds to this?)

7. Staff Appreciation Day - could we do June 7 (which is a P.D. day?)

- Items could be dropped off to the school for staff

8. Mental Health Day

- a successful event with over 60 attendees
- 8 Therapists here (including staff in training)
- Folders with handouts went home with information from the sessions
- Information of community supports if people need to access them
- Kids had fun with hands-on activities
- 5 stations were set up
- Maybe an event to run again in a few years (probably not every year, but maybe send information on Mental Health Supports home in school newsletters)
- Report for Board has been submitted and PRO Grant form has been filled out

9. Mabel's Labels Fundraiser -

- Lyndsay has organized Mabel's Labels which is now open on the Mabel's Labels website
- flyer will be going home

10. International Day of Pink

- School funds were used to purchase some books to support the theme of bullying, diversity, stereotyping, LGBTQ, etc.
- Classes read picture books and students created pledges that are posted on a rainbow bulletin board in the hallway

11. Friendship Bench

- was installed and painted by Esther Scheltz- is there money in the budget to have Boards replaced and have it repainted?
- Are students aware of the point of the bench? Staff?

12. Garbage Bags - fundraiser opening at the end of May again

Next Meeting: May 13 at 6:30 p.m.

