

## **Parent Council Minutes for Wednesday, May 8, 2019**

Present: Trina Boymook, Adrienne Drebert, Heidi Peters, Kimberly Teeuwsen, Devon Marshall, Elaine Reed, Aileen Bozic, Andrea Breitzkreuz, Darlene Janzen, Jaime Peters, Francis Poole, Gillian Orquia, Sarah Goertzen

Absent: Raelyn Mellick, Shannon Anderson and Leah Schmidt

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### **Devotional - Devon**

**Motion to accept previous minutes by Aileen, seconded by Kim and approved by Parent Council.**

**New Members:** Gillian Orquia, Sarah Goertzen and Leah Schmidt

### **Reporting:**

1. Budget – Adrienne
  - a. Operating Budget: \$13,090.84 – Missions money \$3,829.91
  - b. Includes Bottle Drive: ~\$5,000
2. COSC
  - a. ASCA Conference: Trustees sponsored a member from each school council to attend.
  - b. ASBA videos on indigenous insights
  - c. Protect Dinnertime, get proper sleep. Balance technology, be mindful of technology.
3. Board Report
  - a. Thanks for completing the parent survey. Increased survey response this year from parents. Student Forums were very beneficial.
  - b. Draft cell phone policy coming to May 22 board meeting. Vast majority of parents want them out of the classroom. Policy 24 to be called Personal Communication Devices.
    - i. Devices will not be allowed to be used in elementary (only allowed for medical reason or those with an ISP.) Schools will need a plan on cell phone storage.
    - ii. In Jr. High allowed for teacher directed or education purposes. No listening to music. Will have access during breaks and lunchtime.
    - iii. Expected staff will model for students.
  - c. Due to election, budget due date extended to June 30. To date, no information about the budget and what they're supposed to work with. Not information from minister about how to move forward. Budget will not occur until the fall. Board to move forward conservatively, proceeding on the basis that growth will not be funded. Allocation to schools on a per student funding likely to decrease if we have more students. CIF funding likely not to be available. Central is making additional cuts but have been making cuts in the past years that would still protect the classroom. They have drawn from unallocated funds in previous years, but they won't have that this year. Must find over \$3M for the EIPS budget this year. Principals encouraged to make cuts. SCAE already has big class sizes, encouraging other schools.
  - d. Possible closure of Andrews school. Considering possible closure on June 6.
  - e. Recommendation to grandfather École Campbelltown to be considered at May 22 meeting.

## Action Items:

1. 3 year plan (SEP)
  - a. Reading: Literacy Intervention, intentional about Language Arts program and consistency across grade levels. Between May 13 and June 13 Star assessment, hoping for 1 years growth. Reader Workshop – 4 staff + Ms Janzen to attend.
  - b. Math: Drawing to a close on a 2-year math project of tweaking, reviewing, rewriting math unit plans, integrating math fluency and problem solving.
  - c. Missions: Mexico, Basically Babies, Coffee Drive, We Care, Toy Drive, Shawahnekizek Academy (Saddle Lake) Janet Vader & Counsellor attended. Becoming more purposeful in ramping up our participation.
2. Grade 4-6 Supplies
  - a. Option to do write-on stationary for grades 4-6. Letters to go home with each child. Options on the back (includes anything that runs out.) Other options for pencil cases, rulers, scissors, ear buds. Etc. \$5 delivery charge, includes labels with your child's name on. Deadline for July 1. Letters to go to families June 1.
3. Bus Driver Appreciation
  - a. Parent Council had pre-approved gift cards to Tim Hortons, were delivered past Monday.
4. Mexico Missions
  - a. Fall: Johnny & Addy. Oversee the orphanage.
  - b. Lisa Mol returns July 1.
5. FNMI - Mavis Giant
  - a. Visited every grade group last Friday
  - b. Looking to ramp up our involvement with them.
  - c. Her daughter is graduation with her Ed Degree from U of A, to take over.
  - d. Current Support: staff has attended to show support, sent up sports equipment, church helped with mechanical support for building, send library books, sponsor Christmas party for staff, church has done VBS camps. (6-7 years support, hit/miss.)
  - e. Pray for succession planning at school!
  - f. Mr. Poole to bring talk with Mrs Vader about doing a blanket exercise for parents as there is an big interest to learn this part of our history that our children are learning in school.
6. Volunteer Appreciation
  - a. Serendipity Bake Shop making cupcakes we are all looking forward to enjoying!
7. Bottle Drive
  - a. Anticipating \$6,500 from it.
  - b. Fairly confident we will not do it again next year!
8. Playground Paving
  - a. Confirmed to occur in July. Went to RFP, company has been selected.
9. Parent Ambassadors
  - a. Raelyn still working on the letter to go out.
10. Hospitality Representative
  - a. Bus Appreciation, new staff welcome gift, staff coffees, other
  - b. Aileen to take this on, flows with Parents in Partnership.
11. Video Screens
  - a. Replacing video screens as they have aged.  
Budgeted Expenditure: \$49,624.67  
Electrical Estimate: \$950  
Total Needed: \$50,574.67  
Current parent donations received: \$36,207  
Parent donations yet to come in: \$750  
Donations – DigitalEdge, LightVu: \$5,600

Parent Council: \$5,000

Total Committed: \$47,557.00

Shortfall: \$3,017.67

Screens being installed next week!

Request to parent council to go to a maximum of \$8,000.

**Motion: Parent Council to increase funding to a full \$8,000, AND Mr Poole will stress that hot lunch is a fundraiser at meet the teacher, AND hot lunch options for next year to be looked at for next year. Made by Aileen, seconded by Elaine, all approved.**

12. Treasurer 2019-20

- a. Adrienne has done a fabulous job, Leah Schmidt to take on the position of treasurer, and Adrienne to stay on next year to assist with the transition.

13. Spring Musical

- a. Adrienne Roussell did an outstanding job with her team.
- b. Next one may be Lion King

14. Western Day

- a. May 24. Dangerous Dan to make several appearances throughout the day.
- b. Hot lunch is free to students
- c. Pray for good weather!

15. Farewell Staff Gift

- a. Miss Eisner has worked at the school for 39 years.
- b. \$250 previously committed from School Council. Going to this school teacher in Romania that Miss Eisner is fond of.
- c. Mrs. Dawe – Devon to sort out

16. Bible Memory – Big 5, Psalm 23

**Prayer Items:**

Eddie's Big Bottle Drive

Good weather for Western Day

Succession at Shawahnekizek Acedemy

**Next Meeting Dates:**

September 11, 2019!

**Follow-up Items to be revisited:**

- Birthday Snack
- Scripture Memory Magnet
- Talk about local missions projects for SEP over the next year, reflect on what would have to be given up. Balance what teachers can feasibly do without burnout. Can't add something without taking something away!