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Henry Larsen Elementary School Council Meeting

Minutes

Monday, May 9, 2016

Chair: Jennifer Pyne

Secretary: Julie Bisnath (for tonight's meeting)

Attendance:

Jennifer Pyne	Marcia O'Connor	Shilei Liu
Julie Bisnath	Melissa Britton	Tara Previl
Signe Swainson	Doreen Cummins	Ryan Crampton
Christine Camus-Shepley	Dianne Morris	Una McNeill
Mireille Filion	Dawn Scott	

Regrets* Karina Budzinski

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Jennifer Pyne at 7:05

2. Approval of Agenda

Approved

3. Approval of April 2016 Minutes

Correction noted

Approved

4. Chair's Report

- Jennifer submitted the PRO grant for next year.
- Jennifer will contact Dianne regarding this year's report.

5. Principal and Vice-Principal's Action Items / Info. Update

Christine:

- The Kindergarten program is now a 2 year program (year 1 and year 2) with a blend of students. There will be two classes at Henry Larsen with play-based, enquiry learning as per the board curriculum.

- A kindergarten information evening for registered parents will take place at the end of May.

School organization:

- Vacancy lists are now out, jobs are being shifted etc.
- We will have 4 ECE staff for next year.
- EA allocation will be out by the end of June.

We are down a class for next year. No staff positions will be lost due to pending retirements.

Class breakdown:

- Kindergarten: 2 classes
- EFI: Grades 1, 2, 3, 4/5, 5/6, 6/7, 7/8
- MFI: Grades 6/7, 7/8
- Gifted: Grades 5/6, 7/8
- BIP: 1 class
- English: Grades 6/7, 8

Mireille:

- The Board "Tell Them From Me" survey takes place every two years and is now called "Our School". This year it's a parent survey which will be open between June 1st-15th. Each parent will have a generic login. More information to follow. There will be no student survey this year, it will be back in place for next year.

6. Teaching Staff Liaison Report --Dianne Morris

- Last Friday the Grade 8 class joined CW for their Relay for Life, this was a great transition event. This is the first time that we have been invited. The event took place at the Navan Fair Grounds. HL kids got to see the opening events and hear Max Keeping's son as the keynote speaker. It was a great day and a fantastic time for our students.

Events and Activities:

- Today: Grade 8 girls did a Girls Phys Ed day focusing on girls and sports
- Tomorrow: The Jazz band competes at Nationals
- May 11: The Gause Math contest takes place
- May 12: The Arctic Displays are available for viewing and it's also the Spring Concert -- one during the day and one in the evening
- May 13: A team will be heading to Brockville for a relay meet
- An Immunization clinic for some students (intermediates) is coming up
- May 17-19th is the Honours band trip
- An art project visit is also coming up--Mme. Pichette

- A “hot dog lunch” program with proceeds going to cancer research, a food program in Nunavut, and the Terry Fox Run, is also coming up.
- May 25th: Dianne is going to a Truth and Reconciliation lecture evening, online registration is available
- May 25th-Jun 7th: EQAO for Grade 3 and Grade 6 students. A letter will be going out to parents.
- May 26th: Hudson-Sargent Relay
- June 1st: Regional Track & Field for Grades 6, 7, & 8
- June 3rd: Grades 1-3 will take a trip to Barnabe Park (?)
- Learning Partnership workshops coming up:
 - Dollars and Cents for Grade 7 students
 - Life Budget Skills for the Grade 8 students
- June 9th: HL will hold a Terry Fox Run, parent volunteers will be needed. More information to come.

Math Night Review:

- Only a couple of families who had pre-registered did not show up and 2-3 families came who had not pre-registered. Overall it was a very successful turnout. Parent council members had great feedback. The event was well run, well organized and enjoyed by all. The stage crew did a great job and got to enjoy the left over pizza. Council thanks Dianne for a wonderful job. As a community building event, it met its goal.

7. Website Update

No updates. We are updated to version 7 now. There should not be any extra charges on the invoice.

8. Treasurer’s Report

Marcia provided a detailed report.

Income:

- Veseys: \$2019, half is profit--approximately \$1000
- Purdy's: \$779
- Simply Giving: \$150
- World's Finest Chocolate: \$585

Expenses:

- Food dance: \$61.70
- Website: \$20.09
- Fidgets: \$427
- Nets: \$142
- Veseys: \$1000

- Math Night: \$750 plus \$40 for 2 babysitters = \$790

\$162 expected income from Broadway fundraiser.

Reserve Funds:

- School council: \$1281
- HCY: \$2957
- PRO Grant: \$210
- Parent Involvement: \$500

Motion made to apply \$500 to the Fun Fair by Melissa Britton, seconded by Ryan Crampton. Approved.

9. Fundraising

- Bag to School will take place on May 27th/28th.
- Chapters fundraiser is on Wednesday, June 15th from 6-9pm. Information for parents will go out on June 2nd.
- Boston Pizza Night will be on June 1st.
- Purdy's : Do we want to do a Christmas fundraiser? Consensus is that we will try one this year. We will get the catalog and discuss a date.

10. Henry's Cool Yard

- Application for \$7500 to the City of Ottawa has been submitted.
- Fun Fair meeting to take place immediately after tonight's Council meeting.

11. Other Business

Teacher appreciation:

- Do we want to do an event this year? For example a "coffee break" (coffee and treats)?
- Most feel that a "coffee break" idea is nice. Do we all agree on this option? Yes
- Do we want to ask for donations or use some council money?
- In the past, lunch was about \$400-\$450 per year (using council money). The decision this year was to request food donations from parents.
- Jennifer will send a request to the council email list for food donations and she will ask local businesses for a coffee donation.
- The teacher appreciation "Coffee Break" event will take place on Friday, June 10th.

12. Next Meeting

- The next council meeting will be Monday, June 13th 2016 at 7pm

13. Adjournment

- The meeting was adjourned at 7:57pm.