

Floradale Public School Council Meeting

Monday April 23, 2018

Welcome: Jeanette Hiller welcomed all to the meeting.

Attendees: Lisa Demerling, Sarah Frey, Lisa Goossen, Jeanette Hiller, Christine Kuepfer, Lori Lynn Frey, Andy Beddoe, Sherrin Gingrich, Julie Cluthe, Elaine Kenndy, Beth Perrin, Brenda Brubacher, Steph Schwindt, Chrisoula Xintavelonis, Sheryl and Terry Martin, Sheila Martin, Carl Mueller, Jason Finkbeiner

1. Approval of Minutes

Brenda Brubacher motioned to approve the January minutes and Sheryl Martin seconded the motion.

2. Treasurer's Report:

There is currently \$4768 in our account. \$6400 still remains to be paid out on the wish list. Lisa and Laurie are working to balance Lisa's records with the schools accounts as some things weren't accurately tracked with the previous secretary but both Lisa and Laurie say we will be able to balance.

- Dreambox \$660 needs to be paid to school
- Lisa will go over the Wish list with Andy

3. Principal's Report Andy Beddoe:

Please see attached PDF of the Principal's Report.

Andy discussed the School Improvement Plan and Looking ahead to next year. Andy went over the role of School Council as well as the Principal's Role. The School Council is an advisory role and the Principal's Role is the day-to-day operations. Andy stressed that safety is the #1 priority and he reviewed the changes that have been implemented.

Volunteer Tea

Will be on May 16th at 2pm. A note will be going home inviting volunteers.

Gaga Ball Update

Andy shared information he has found from another public school that has had Gaga ball installed. An approved vendor needs to build and put in the Gaga ball unit. The cost will be \$1400. \$400 has been designated in the Wish List for the Gaga ball unit.

Need to decide on location and will work to put up a temporary Gaga ball to test placement. We also need to decide how we will raise funds.

Clubs at Nutrition Breaks

Robotics club, coding, art, collaboration

Looking ahead - Maker Spaces in library area for kids to inquire what they are interested in, build, art, programming, coding, work with others, investigate things they are interested in. Glassed area. Vision for the future. Focus is on Innovating

4. School Code of Conduct Andy Beddoe:

7 / 8 Off Property Privileges

He did ask other schools for feedback, past principals and staff, parents, Superintendent

Andy's obligation is a big factor in this decision to provide supervision of pupils during the period of time during each school day when the school buildings and playgrounds are open to pupils

As per established practice, if leaving school property, students are to be signed out/in by a parent/guardian.

Feedback was heard from concerned parents about off property privileges being taken away. Parents want their children to be able to experience some independence and trust.

Mrs Martin expressed concern, with respect to the expected oversight and complexities for her keeping an eye on all students coming and going.

- Andy agreed to look into what the board policy is with regards to students signing in and out as parents expressed concerns and were confused as to what the practice is and its implications.
- Can kids who live in walking distance go home for lunch?

Currently the decision has not changed based on discussion. The atmosphere between Council and administration is currently strained as parents expressed frustration with the lack of movement on the decision given there being no board policy in place disallowing it and parents being willing to give consent and assume the risk.

It has been asked that dialogue in regards to the junior students needs and what can be done during Nutrition breaks continue in future council meetings.

5. Committee Reports

- **Fundraising Committee - Julie Cluthe**
 - 2018-2019 Fundraising Calendar

Fundraising is recommending that we carry on with chicken both in fall and winter as it is a successful fundraiser

The chocolate bar fundraiser did not take place during a good time of year. Spring would be a better time to run it if we seen that more funds were needed based on Council's goals and commitments.

Poinsettias are a good fundraiser as well and parents are looking forward to it.

Possibility of selling the popcorn that is currently being sold at the school, to families as boxes.

Committee is open to suggestions for other types of fundraisers

Welcome Sarah Frey to fundraising and Julie will help behind the scenes for support.

Timing really depends on the need for funds and when we need them

\$6300 was raised on fundraisers this year

Suggestion of selling planters and wreaths at Christmas time with Poinsettias was made as John Mahood has had success with these in the past.

- **Social Committee - Brenda Brubacher**

June 8th is our picnic date

Andy and Brenda will meet to discuss the details surrounding the event

BBQ - considerations with food handling must happen

Kids Garage sale is going to run during the day on June 8th and carry over into the BBQ. Grade 8's will be a part of that as well as parent volunteers to help man it and clean up.

6. Questions and Other Items

Question was asked regarding the Grant money that Mrs Burns brought in. TD Bank Juno awards and supporting music in schools gave \$10,000 worth of musical instruments for the school. She is dealing with the ordering. Library is a great place for practicing and kids can hear it as it spills into the halls.

Pro Grant - Jeanette and Andy will confirm when it needs to be applied for up to \$1000 to engage the parents and the students. Focus on wellness, math, internet safety, technology night etc. are all ways it has been used in the past.

Next Meeting May 28th, 2018 7pm

Meeting was adjourned at 8:45PM.