

## **School Council Agenda**

Monday, December 3rd, 2018

6:30pm - J. F. Carmichael Library

### **Minutes:**

Attendance: Anna Maste, Aimee Polevoy, Sarah Kennedy, Sandra Orton,  
Brian Burnley (Principal)

Regrets: Stephanie Brubacher, T. Scott (VP)

Welcome and Greetings

### **Updates and Business:**

#### 1. Finances Summary

Chocolate bars: We received only 1 NSF cheque this year, that was replaced quickly, which is way better than last year.

Approximately \$11,000 was generated from chocolate bar sales

Mr. Yantzi has asked for greening money, to buy burlap for the trees/shrubs for the school over the winter. Anna gave him the go-ahead, we had already budgeted \$200 for greening.

#### 2. Event planning:

Movie Night - pick date

April 5th, a Friday evening, would work for everyone present.

**Volunteers arrive at: 6pm (Don't be late or you won't get in)**

Doors open at 6:15, movie starts at 6:30pm

We can use the same Criterion license as last year, and there's been a bonus change, another company like Pixar or Universal has been added to the license.

We'll pick a movie closer to the date as many titles will be released between now and then.

Anna will pick up the popcorn from Carmadhy's, same order as last year, should cost about \$100.

We need to tell people to bring pillows and blankets to sit on, and BYO re-usable water bottle to refill at the school's fountains.

Also need to reiterate: PARENTS must be present

How did the book swap go?

We had a ton of books, more than normal, with donations from Talize and donations from families as well. We had two boxes of books left over, and as they couldn't be kept in the changing room anymore, they were donated.

We'll plan another book swap/give away in April or May.

3. Committee updates:

Home Reading:

Stephanie sends her regrets.

Aimee has taken over from Stephanie.

Kids put their own books away and the volunteers tidy up daily.

At the beginning it was bumpy with this new system, but it has smoothed out now, and all problems have been solved.

**Action: Aimee would like someone as a back-up person to help run it. Charity seems to be volunteering regularly with Home Reading, so Anna will check with her.**

**Principal's Report:**

T sends her regrets.

Staffing update: Mme. Dawson replaced Mme. Lapalme taking over for Mme. Colaiezzi who is back part time (afternoons only). They had 0 applicants for this job because it is only part time.

Mme. McDonough is coming back next week, and is planning to retire in January or February. Brian has a plan in place for staffing her position.

Mrs. Claus came in with the Nutrition for Learning, to hand out snacks from JK-2.

Sledding procedures have been tightened up, as it was chaos originally. We've only had 4-5 bumps this year.

Festive performances are on December 19th with performances at 9:30 and noon, and the students are working hard on it already.

The school has 11 poinsettias to give away to families. CSIV - Children's International Summer Villages provided them to the school to help celebrate the season.

Mr. Yantzi is in the process of applying for a \$5000 environment grant

A dead ash tree was removed recently from the school grounds, and another one will be removed shortly.

Festive Lunch, will be December 20th this year.

It's going to be amazing.

Teachers are sending home selection slips for food choices now (or soon).

The menu pretty easy: if you get a meat sauce it will be Halal

No salad will be served, instead a handful of baby carrots will be given out, and buns as usual.

It will happen at noon or 12:15, after first nutrition break.

There's a big committee working on it: KCI will be amazing, there's a group setting up tables and chairs, (the school only got 45 tables with chairs from the board, but Brian got 45 more tables), so there will be only one sitting, which is very positive.

JF Carmichael has done raffles in the past at the Festive Lunch, so this year they will raffle off/give away 8-15 turkeys.

One of the teacher's dad is donating \$200 for ingredients for the lunch, and there will be another donation of something else as well, details still to come.

Do they need any parent volunteers? They may...stand by for more news.

Dec. 21st is pajama day (last day before school is done).

Vision screening for Kindies was held today

Mother's group after school was held today

**What's on your Mind:**

Mme. Orchard is supposed to be the special education teacher for French Immersion, will she be doing that again, once she is not filling in for other teachers? Yes, she's doing grade 2 literacy groups right now.

There's a need for more French Immersion teachers. This is a shortage province wide.

Is there a chance we can arrange a signal system in the windows for parents when teachers are running late or having trouble getting the students out of the door on time after school?

There's nothing in place at the moment, but there are no plans to create a system at this time.

**There is no January school council meeting scheduled due to all the vacation time between December and January.**