

**Country Hills P.S.
School Council Meeting
Tuesday, September 12th, 2018
6:00-7:30 p.m.**



1. Principal Welcome – Rob Rebellato and Pam Mustin

2. Call to Order- 6:05 Becky Abbott

In attendance; Amanda Young, Darlene St John, Becky Abbott, Janeth Williams, Laura Eady, Karina Carpenter, Bethany Leis, Jessica Shaw, Ghada Hadidi, Angelina Ziesemer, Angela Cooper, Pam Mustin, Rob Rebellato, Lucy Jozefowicz, Michelle Bedour, Darlene McLeod and Terri Holland.

The role of school council and it's members was discussed

3. Approval of May 2018 meeting minutes – Darlene

4. Approval of agenda - Lucy

5. Teacher's Report- Darlene St John

Tree for Kieran Reeve is coming on Monday, September 17 and will be planted in the front of the school.

Kirk's Crew is being run by Coleen McLeman with select grade 5 and 6 students for leadership skills

Meet the teacher is Thursday, Sep 13 from 6-7.

Money designated for chrome books for juniors was

used for utility carts for storage instead as we were allotted 100 chrome books from the board. They cost \$399 for a 16 unit. \$741 for a 24 unit.

These will be used and another will be purchased

A Field trip is being scheduled. Juniors will be going to a football game at Laurier mid October. A basketball game and hockey game will also, possibly, be arranged with Laurier and U of W.

Popcorn starts this week.

Milk is still in process of starting, will still be using the stamp card system

Running club is also being discussed. Janeth is offering to help.

6. Principal's Report – Rob Rebellato

By the end of the PD day we will hopefully have extracurricular things settled.

Communication is twitter and school-day. Newsletters will be sent out seasonally. We are all invited to follow @robrellato.

Math is the direction the board has prescribed for improvement. Wellness is also a priority with physical activities, meditation and mindfulness.

School Initiated Fundraising - council is able to choose what they like. Rob will support us.

Food Programs – Pizza is starting in October 1st and will run monthly. Sign up through School-Day. Lunch Lady is running again on Thursdays. Visit thelunchlady.ca to sign up.

Nutrition for Learning – Starting shortly. Jill McQuigge is running it this year

PIC and WRAPSC – we can choose a rep

7. **Treasurer's Report-** Michelle Bedour presented. \$3740.80 is in the account. We made about \$2600 from the FunFair.

8. **Sub-Committee Reports:**

WRAPSC Meeting – Amanda will forward the minutes to anyone who wishes to read them.

PIC Grant – We are granted \$500 yearly from Parent Involvement Committee. Money could go towards a health and wellness fair. Maybe we can access last year's \$500 as well. We will discuss in October's meeting.

Buddy Bench – has arrived and it is waiting to be installed by the school board. It will be cemented into the primary/kindie area. We can go online to 91.5 the beat to tell them why we should receive another buddy bench and a bbq.

Fundraising – Instead of using Professor Jams we will try to put on a dance ourselves. Karina has looked into it and we don't have to pay a fee to use music for a school fundraiser. Took a vote that we could do it ourselves. Perhaps borrow lights from Jean Steckle. Lucy will look into it. Kirks crew can be asked to help. Perhaps they can make the announcements or come up with another way to help.

Digital Front Sign – possible \$20-30 thousand to put it in. We can make some calls and ask sign companies to give us a quote. A though for fundraising.

FunFair – Many were disappointed that we did not have the rock climbing wall and other items we ordered. Kiddies Fun Trak did not charge us for the items they brought.

Last Spring's Vandalism – Is there something we can do? Has anything been done? There is an alarm system. Unless there is a significant amount of damage, video cameras cannot be installed. We can be conscious of what is happening at the school in off hours and report if we see anything.

Crossing helpers – there won't be students helping with street crossing in front of the school. It is too much responsibility for a 11 or 12 year old. The city is responsible for assigning crossing guard. Schools in Waterloo have very bright crossing lights.

Rebranding Kirk – teachers are brainstorming about how we can change Kirk as he looks a little like a platypus. Karina is a graphic designer and will help.

9. **New business:**

Elections – Treasurer – Lucy Jozefowicz
Secretary – Amanda Young
Vice Chair – Terri Holland
Chair – Becky Abbott

10. Discussion items:

School Council Dates – October 10, November 14, January 9,
February 13, April 10, May 8.

PRO Grant – Amanda applied for it and we are awaiting
confirmation that we received it.

Next Meeting – Wednesday, October 10 '18 6:00 pm