



Parent Council Meeting

Wednesday, May 19, 2021

In attendance (virtual meeting): Kimberly Freeman (New Principal), Arpa Jaberian (Teacher Rep), Heather Morra (Chair), Cuyler Morra (Vice-Chair), Kelly Stedman (Secretary), Nicole McClelland

Call to Order

Welcome - meeting called to order at 6:10 pm.

Minutes were reviewed, one small edit required to the meeting adjournment time to 7:30pm.
Motion to approve the minutes by Heather and the motion was seconded by Kelly.

Principal's Report

Updates

The board provided an extension to the due date for parents to notify the School Board if they are going to enrol their child/children in remote learning for the 2021-2022 school year. Date is now June 2nd.

Staffing plan is behind schedule as a result of the extension provided to parents to make their decision on their child's mode of learning. There is still a lot of interest from Central families to attend school remotely for next year. As of the time of the meeting, there were about 25 students who had made the decision to continue to learn remotely. However, this upcoming year, that means that they will no longer have Central as their home school and therefore we will not receive school year funding for them. This has meant that we will not be able to retain the same staffing levels. Central will lose 2 teachers and 3 educational support staff.

June 4th is a Professional Development day and students will not receive any instruction. Teachers will be working on Report Cards, they go out to families on June 28th.

Since Mayfair would typically be the Thursday prior to the May long weekend (May 20) the principal and teachers are working on a fun virtual event to respond to student feedback that they were disappointed to have to miss such a wonderful school event.

Principal Freeman is working on some Fun Friday events to keep the children engaged and positive for the remaining month of the school year.

Fundraising

Plantables Update

Fundraiser has begun and is going to be open to families and the Central community until June 18th. Principal Freeman will send out another School Day Communication to remind families.

Domino's Pizza Night Fundraiser

Almost all of the winners have been notified to pick up their Domino's gift certificate.

WRAPSC

WRAPSC is currently recruiting members for their various committees for next year. Individuals can apply to be a part of these committees, they are not Parent Council committees.

Other Items

Grade 6 Year-End Celebration Updates

Date is confirmed as June 24th, but the planning committee is still working on the details for the actual virtual event. The distance learners and Mr. Brenneman will also be a part of the celebration. Principal Freeman will send out a new student Permission Form on School Day, so that students can have their photo in the video.

An idea was brought forward, in light of the board's request that no monies be spent on the celebration. Council supports the idea that the legacy fundraising be used by the Grade 6 students to make a donation back to the school or to a worthy cause of their choosing as the departing class. The council agreed that this was a great idea, and that the money was already allocated to the grade six class as per the legacy plans.

Trivia Night

Heather and Culyer have a great plan for a Virtual Trivia Night for Central Families. It will run on June 3rd, with a potential second night on June 15th. Starting at 6:30pm Heather and Culyer will organize some prizes from local downtown Galt businesses that have been Mayfair donors in the past.

Ideas for themes: Canada Day Trivia, Old Toys, Science, Animals, Olympics, Logos, Traffic Signs, Disney Characters, Video Games, Friends, Harry Potter and some possible adult directed trivia themes.

JUMP2MATH

Heather is still trying to get a plan for spending the credit we have. Heather will attempt to get something organized for next year.

Assessing Council Effectiveness

Heather is going to work with Culyer to review the report and prepare some answers. And send it out via email to the group for further feedback.

Heather will include a summary of the role of Chair (Vice Chair), so that others interested in the role can have more information for our first meeting next year.

Tabled for Next Meeting

Scholastic Virtual Book Fair for a future fundraiser?

Website: <https://scholastic.ca/virtualbookfairs/>

Next Virtual Meeting Dates - (Minimum of 4 per year)

No further meetings planned for the school year.

Meeting adjourned - 7:28 pm. *Scribed by:* Kelly Stedman, May 2021