

Hespeler P.S. School Council Meeting

MINUTES

Monday, November 21, 2016

7:00 pm

Present: Jacky Shoebridge, Susan Ford, Kyly Miller, Sabina Voisin, Jill Strome, Krista Mohr, Erin Neath, Sharon McKeown, Elke Lupinsky, Hughina Spencer, Kara Hall, Kala Adams, Tina Castelli, Rebecca Birtch, Cheryl McKeon

Regrets: Julie Lobsinger, Greg Schmid

1. Welcome:

- Oct. 17, 2016 Minutes: approved as read.
- Welcome back Susan!

2. Treasurer's Report

- School has not spent the funds allocated to Chromebooks yet so our financials are very similar to last month, this will be spent in the next month
- Funds allocated to Kindergarten are also not spent yet

3. Principal/Vice-Principal Update

Vice Principal's Update – Krista Mohr

- Note: wifi access is changing board wide, a news blast was released by email
- Nov. 11: Remembrance Day assembly was wonderful, respectful attendance by all
- Nov. 15/16: Gr 2-8 field trip to Cinderella: The Panto at St. Jacobs Playhouse was a fantastic show
- Nov. 21-25: Bullying Prevention week, ends with Wear Pink Day on Friday
- Nov. 26: Families in a Digital World workshop offered via the WRDSB
- Nov. 28: Picture retake day
- Nov. 28: Gr 3-8 Vow of Silence 9-10am
- Nov. 29: Officer Mike
- Nov. 30: Gr 8 to 9 info night at Jacob Hespeler SS 6-7pm
- Dec. 1: Gr K-6 Earth Rangers Assembly
- Dec. 14: HPS Choir concert 6:30pm
- Dec. 16: Officer Mike
- Dec. 19-22: Gr 7-8 Care days – health and fitness activities
- Dec. 23: Spirit Day

4. New Business/Fundraising

Anxiety and Worry Parent Workshop

- Attendance reached past just council members which is great, 5 non-school people attended as well
- Went very well, Diane ran later to touch on items that were missed earlier in the evening

Second Workshop

- February 28 (in Bell “Let's Talk” month)
- Topic: How to keep kids safe online, with an online bullying tie in? Address the social media aspect of kids being online.
- Consider Family Math Night as a workshop sometime? Maybe another year, as teachers need to buy into this because they need to be present and provide activities.

Bob Cates

- Friday, February 10
- He is an award winning juggler, it's a great show. Hespeler Optimists approached Sharon with a proposal that HPS hosts to allow plenty of space, Hespeler Optimists are covering Bob Cates' fee.
- Event will be open to all Hespeler schools, not HPS first priority.
- Proceeds of tickets goes back to HPS.
- Ticket sales information will go home before Christmas, and again after the break. We want to make sure we sell out the whole gym. Hespeler Optimists can sell concessions, if they don't want to we can.
- Will need volunteers as it gets closer
- Sharon will handle ticket sales
- \$10/ticket to a max of \$40 per family
- Hespeler Optimists might be open to assisting us with new bike racks because they do benefit the whole community at ball games, etc.

Danceathon

- NEW DATE: Friday, March 31
- Date change is to leave more time between Danceathon, Bob Cates & skiing/tubing trip
- Kickoff assembly Monday, March 6
- Students will pledge-a-lobes over March Break, then we'll pump it back up again after the break
- Will need volunteers as it gets closer

Christmas social

- Wednesday, December 14 - following the choir concert at 6:30pm
- Serve juice & cookies, wear pinny & Santa or elf hats
- Council can decorate after school
- \$150 budget allocated to cover food & add some to decorations
- There is a play this year so attendance should be back up compared to last year.
- As many council members as can be there is great, lots makes it go faster: Sharon, Tina, Kala, Kara, Elke?, Rebecca, Sabina, Kyly, Jacky, Susan

Craft & Vendor Sale – Sunday, November 27

- Meet at 8am Sunday when doors open for vendors
- Saturday table set up at 2pm: Tina, Paulo, Julie + 1, Jacky, Sharon, Sabina
- Sunday: Tina has list of who can volunteer (wearing pinnies)
- A reminder flyer going home Thursday regarding school & door prize incentives with purchase, every vendor has door prize ballots to give with every purchase.
- School student incentive prize, need kid first last name, teacher if known but not a problem if not.
- 55 vendors, cutoff is Wednesday
- Advertised with Kijiji, library, Facebook groups, Zehrs, Hespeler Optimists, 91.5, The Record, Cambridge Times, What's Happening KW, Johnson Centre, Snap'd
- Invite people on Facebook, along with sharing the event
- Spread out flyers in community around school, a block around your house, try not to duplicate streets, can skip houses you know have kids at HPS
- Post on community mailbox
- Big signs will go up on Saturday at major intersections, flags out, also change school sign to only craft & vendor sale info
- Bake sale: council hosted sale, needs to last all day. Each council member should bring minimum 2 dozen items.
- Mix of individual & trays of 6ish items.
- Submit on Saturday afternoon at school, or in the evening at home to Sharon/Tina or Sunday at 8am.
- If people want to help, ask them for baking! Bake nut free please, we know there may be traces! Can be bought and repackaged ;)
- Krista confirmed 100 tables to arrive Friday.
- All hands on deck for cleanup after to put tables & chairs away.
- Vendors must stay until 3pm, unless they're sold out but talk to Sharon or Tina first.
- Tina doing floats with Greg

5. Other Business

Crayola Colorcycle program

- This is a recycling program for used up markers from any brand
- Sabina has researched and approached Julie about starting this program
- Sharon recommended that it be a council-backed program to encourage participation
- We're working on getting set up to start, more information will follow

MEETING ADJOURNED 8:03pm

Next meeting is our Holiday Social on December 19