

John Darling School Council Meeting
Monday, June 13th, 2016
Meeting Minutes

In Attendance: Katie Hoedl, Mandy Dahmer, Aimee Tyrrell, Beth Skilling, Jenn Fleet, Kim Schmidt, Jackie Teixeira, Gillian McKenzie, Jessie White, Andra Assaf, Darlene Shantz, Marti Anne Hachey

1. Getting Started (6:30pm)

A motion was made by Kim to approve the agenda, seconded by Jessie. Motion Carried.
A motion was made to approve the minutes from May's meeting by Jessie, seconded by Katie. Motion was passed.

2. Principal/Teacher Report

School Community Citizenship Efforts

- Jump Rope for Heart - Raised \$5200, Jill Pollocks class donated a prize of \$500 awarded to them because they were one of 8 schools that won a Public Service Announcement contest.

- Fort McMurray Bake Sale - Approx. \$750

Updates

- Facility - Roof above girls washroom is being fixed between now and August.
- Received new gym mats that have been purchased and old mats are being refurbished. More progress on repairs/purchasing will be made before end of next school year.
- Water bottle filling station will be installed on June 14, 2016
- Portable leaving first week of July.
- Extended day for September is a go for Kindergarten to Grade 2. The Youth Development Program will not be running next year. Contact the Extended Day program personal for more details/assistance.

Staffing update: Sarah Knechtel had baby boy.

- Report Cards: Children's classroom teachers for September 2016 will be shared with the report cards. This is not an invitation for parents to dispute a child's placement at this time. If there are concerns, please connect the school in August. Primary class sizes are currently at ministry caps and Junior classes are large.
- Spirit Wear: Sept.22-October 7, 2016 potential order timeframe.
- **Tentative** Meet the Teacher night: September 15th, 2016 from 6-7:30
 - Ginos Pizza - travelling tent, selling pizza for \$2 slice be there if you want it. \$1/slice goes towards the school.
- School Council Elections: Monday, September 19th, 2016; Meetings are tentatively planned for Monday evenings.

Fall fundraiser: Herrle's Food Box Sales to start September 12th?

Orders due September 26. Orders go home October 6th - (dates will be confirmed)

ArtShine (Afterschool art classes for students) will be offered starting Tuesday October 4th, running until November 22

- Track & Field - Great success. Results will be posted as soon as possible for which students will be attending Jacob Hespeler.

- Grade 6 Graduation: June 23rd. Council will donate left over ice & water to the event.
- Report cards go home on June 27th, 2016. End of year assembly June 29th at 9am.
- School council will donate freezies for Play Day. Mandy will coordinate that there are enough purchased.
- School ArtShow WT Townsend was highlighted on WRDSB webpage. Contact for more information on their success.
- Movie Night: May 12th, 2017
- Darlingfest: June 1st, 2017 – first Thursday of June to improve chances to access volunteers. Overall, the event was a huge success!

3. School Council Year Wrap up

- Does council want to donate to every departing staff member, or keep it at only retiring staff? At this point, council will be only donation to retiring staff members.
- PRO Grant has arrived for 2016.
- Committee guidebooks: If changes are needed/requests for updates email to Katie or Mandy
- Election: Monday September 19th. Co-chairs indicated intentions to step down. Think about positions over the summer and encourage new parents to join.
- Meet The Teacher Night: Pamphlet printed/created to have available for parents to entice new committee members.

4. Committee Updates:

Fundraising: Herrles is a higher price point than competitor but it is locally grown and has a reputation for high quality products.

Do we offer something else with poinsettias? Rheo Thompson again? Looking into Menchie's Yogurt as a special lunch treat some days next school year.

Darlingfest Wrap Up: Adventure room was a huge success. Reptile guy people loved him. Photo booth great. Face painter - expensive but incredible. Basketball was great. Volunteers from council and parents were at an all time low. Was it the date it being bumped one week? **Profits raised \$5590!!**

Recommendations

***School council need more members to work on the organizing committee to make it a successful event in the next year.**

***More volunteers are needed to share the workload on the day of the event and to allow everyone to participate with their families.**

PRO – Art Gallery Date: February 13th, 2017 (have Book Fair will run at same time)

5. Treasurer's Report:

- Allocation suggestions Mandy made motion that these allocations are acceptable for 2016-2017 school year, seconded by Jackie. All in favour. Motion passed.

Adjourn Meeting (8:50 pm)

