JFC School Council Minutes

Monday, May 6 2024, 7:00 - 8:30*, School Library

Video call link: https://meet.google.com/udv-zwfs-gxb
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- There is a WRASP meeting tomorrow May 7, 2024 and playground is a significant focus
 of the meeting. If anyone is interested in attending please follow up with Sarah
- Suggested that June meeting will be a potluck and have a celebratory tone to thank
 everyone for their contributions. A portion of the meeting will be dedicated to setting
 some plans in motion for the fall.
- We raised an estimated \$14,000 from the chocolate fundraiser.
- There is approximately \$1,000 dollars from 15-20 families that still owe something
 for the chocolate fundraiser. The group suggested that families that still owe funding
 would have to pay upfront next year before they could receive chocolate. School Council
 is no longer following up with parents as multiple attempts have been made.
- Staff suggested that bouncy ball as the first prize was exciting for kids but distracting during school. Consider pens next time as a prize or giving out prizes in classrooms at the end of the school day.

Financial Update

- We were aiming for \$37,400 in the bank account and currently at \$35,000 and pizza was \$1,000 less and chocolate fundraising was \$1,000 less.
- \$400 dollars per class that money has been spent
- \$500 breakfast club support Nancy to follow up with Leah about any needs.
- \$2,000 dedicated to home reading books remove this as expense because literacy needs have changed. Consider this next year for discussion
- \$50 dollars for council supplies –
- \$500 family engagement can use towards May 14 event
- \$500 outdoor equipment can use towards May 14 event
- Another WRDSB school council will provide some funding towards outdoor equipment, school supplies, sports equipment, art supplies. Leah has sent a request to teachers and will let council know the result.
- Changed \$250 to \$300 for the grade six celebration may need some additional funds. Council agreed that was okay.
- \$1,500 the PRO grant to be spent on May 14 event
- \$6,000 towards the legacy fund to support playground renewal.

June Meeting

- Potluck and fun meeting
- Should we hold some of the meeting to do some business for the fall

Principal's Report

- Similar staffing structure and enrollment (482) is anticipated in September.
 Encourage anyone you know to register for kindergarten as soon as possible (our typical enrollment is 500).
- Grade 5 and 6 went on some field trips to see a live theater and went very well.
- Swim to Survive is a program was very successful funded and supported by City of Kitchener (for grade 3 kids).
- KOLDYE Choir is starting up and will have their performance next week at centre in the square. Long standing tradition across the region for students grades 4, 5, 6.
- PA on May 31 and Victoria day PA coming up.
- Dental screening on May 21 it will from JK to grade 4.
- Jump Rope for Heart in May is coming up.
- Met with facilities about getting a fenced in area to support drop off and pick up to support safety for kindergarten students.
- The location is back of playground that is partially shaded and includes some of the
 forest and sandbox. Kindergarten students can still play outside of that area but will
 provide some additional safety supports at the beginning and end of day. It is permanent
 fencing that is a rectangle. Some new play items will need to be added that aligns with
 age appropriate play for that age group.
- Construction update things are moving along and no other updates. There is a temporary crossing guard that is supporting movement around the construction.

Playground and Planning for Family Fun Night

- Have some paper surveys printed for people to fill out some survey responses
- Leah to organize getting some brown craft paper and markers she can access cheaper pricing and then invoice council for this expense. Then the supplies can go back into the school afterwards.
- Leah to order some more tables through WRDSB for the event
- Sarah G/Elfie art
- Clare/Amber survey analysis and survey fill out
- Sarah/Andre/Arielle food
- Jamie and Leah floaters
- JP- balloons
- Someone from council should be at each station. Clare will write up a detailed agenda for the event.

Meeting Schedule for 2023/2024 - All meetings at 7pm

Monday, Mar 4
Monday, April 8
Monday, May 6
Monday, June 3