

# **Moffat Creek P.S. School Council Meeting Minutes**

**Wednesday November 9, 2016**

**In Attendance:** Sue VanWyngarden, Barb Hewitson, Sheetal Shenoy, Donna Allen-Rutherford, Becca Hardy, Andria Schwab, Shannon Schmidt, Rajivi Nadarajah, Allan Mackay, Amy Humphrys, Wendy Bauman, Christine Roth, Mr. Ognibene, Amy Fraser, Andrea Sherry, Georgeanne MacGregor -Fox, Thabi Francis.

**Regrets:** Jocelyn S-B, Sheri Green, Lisa Christy, Lisa Wingrove

Motion to approve minutes from October meeting. Becca Hardy

## **Teacher Report: (Ms. Roth & Mr. Ognibene)/Teacher Presentation (Mrs. Bauman):**

- Presentation: Focus on Nature Video (Mrs. Bauman) – presentation about an school field trip (Grade 4/5 class), in which children were given cameras and took pictures of nature, participated in a photo scavenger hunt and learned to put photos together into a slide show using photo editing (Picassa). Focus on nature, as well as in appreciation for the Moffat Creek Wetland. [FocusOnNature.ca](http://FocusOnNature.ca)
- Teacher report:
  - 1) Survey for Ottawa - showed 76% interest. The trip will proceed (once request is made to the superintendent for final approval). The Grade 8 teachers will be seeking council support to sponsor at least one child for the Ottawa Trip. A formal request form will be submitted
  - 2) Intermediate activities - Matheletes, Grade 8's tutoring Grade 3 students in Math. Student leadership. Varsity Volleyball is up and running, in first place so far!
  - 3) Junior Activities – Coding club ongoing, Grade 5/6 Intramural Volleyball starting soon.
  - 4) The Wetland has changed the activity level in the playground. The students appear more active and busy at Nutrition breaks. The Wetland Learning Ground is also signed out for DPA. Positive role-modeling seen by students in the schoolyard. The Wetland will be closed during the winter.

- 5) Welcome Miss Beck, covering Maternity Leave for Miss Ronald.
- 6) Primary Division - working on nutrition programme. Support is provided by a grant is through “Nutrition for Learning”, community partnerships.
- 7) Remembrance Day Ceremony/Assembly on Friday November 11th. Junior and Intermediate choirs performing.

### **Community Report (Barb):**

- Visit from the new CEO: Peter Sweeney.
- Staff and Families are involved in the Jingle Bell Run on The 20th of November

### **Treasurer Report:**

- Budget Proposal 2016-2017 (see attachment): Carry over from last year - \$2732.00. 1) These are budget projections only. For example, the ESNS programme is projected at \$7000, but this will change as we do not know how this will look until up and running, 2) The Tinkertruck budget - projections are based on 4 events. PRO grant covers \$1000 of the cost (estimate \$2100), 3) resources will be divided up by divisions this year. **Overall**, Estimate Gross Profit this year is \$37,332.00, after expenses, a total projected income of \$19,090.00 - will be transferred to the Wetland Learning Ground.
- Divisional Budget Requests: ***All requests should be in by January 11th, 2017 for approval at the next council meeting.*** Purchases should be made and receipts should be submitted to Monica by March. Deadline for miscellaneous fund requests (example for Phys. Ed, Special Ed, French, Arts etc...) is also due ***January 11th, 2017.***
- ***Motion to pass budget: Made by Becca Hardy and seconded by Donna Allen-Rutherford***

**Budget Request** (Shirley Quadrado - Library): Request made for an extra set of SilverBirch Books to enable more students to participate in the programme. \$105/set of books. *Motion to approve by Amy Fraser and seconded by Sheetal Shenoy.*

## **NEW BUSINESS:(Sue)**

### **1) BOOKANEER Scholastic Book Fair: (Becca)**

Our pirate themed Scholastic Book Fair will be running from November 14-17<sup>th</sup> (8:40-2:40). The first day is a walk- through for the students and an opportunity to create a wish-list. The big event will be the Family Event on the evening of Parent-Teacher interviews 6:30-8:30 (timing for interviews is based on teacher discretion) on Thursday November 17th. There will be a draw to encourage families to stop by. Activities - Gold Coin - for each division for a student to find and receive a book to be donated to their classroom. Polly Want a Cracker - cracker count. **\*\*Cash or Credit/Debit\*\***

***Thanks to Becca or all of her hard work coordinating the book fair this year. Volunteers are still needed.***

- 2) Pizza and ESNS (Sue):** Pizza is going very well so far. ESNS information went home this week as a paper copy, in addition to online ordering. Orders are coming in slowly, 30 lunches ordered so far. Working on getting lunches and milk at the beginning of break. Still some issues being worked on with the menu for students with with dietary restrictions.
- 3) Holiday Gift Store (Sue):** This year will be held in one of the Intermediate classrooms, which will make set up much easier (similar to our first year doing the gift store). Council is looking for donations of lightly used or new items for the Holiday Gift Store – drop off in the front foyer of the school starting November 7th for the entire month of November. Gift Store will be running December 5-7<sup>th</sup>. Volunteers needed!
- 4) No December School Council meeting**
- 5) WRAPSC update (Rajivi):** Upcoming free events, Digital Citizenship Summit and Teaching Empathy on November 23rd.

## **Principal's Report (Mr. MacKay)**

- Fundraising for the School Sign - should be completed this year. Any extra money raised beyond the sign, will be put toward purchasing bikes.
- Activities around school - Math-letes, Tutoring, Me-to-We Group is up and running, Varsity Sports - Girls and Boys Volleyball, Inter-murals
- PD Day activities for teachers - looking at school's success plan in the morning, Parent-Teacher Interviews in the afternoon.
- Ongoing praise of the Moffat Creek Wetland: It has changed the landscape of the outdoor area and has changed the focus for the students at Nutrition breaks - an increase seen in Cooperative Play and a decrease in Schoolyard incidences. The environment has also changed inside the building, focusing on cardinal traits.
- Recent announcement about a new school to be built in the wrdsb - over in the area by Boston Pizza (off of Highway 8). The projected date for opening is 2019.
- Progress Report Cards going home on Monday, November 14<sup>th</sup>.

## **DATES TO REMEMBER:**

Ongoing ESNS Nutritional Programme orders @[www.moffat.esns.ca](http://www.moffat.esns.ca)

November 7th: Collection for Holiday Gift store begins. Gently used or new items are being collected in the front foyer of the school.

November 14-17th: Scholastic Book Fair

December 5th-7th: Holiday Gift Store.

November 18th: PD Day

January 11th, 2017: First council meeting of the New Year!

January 31, 2017: Tinkertruck Science Night

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 8:00pm

**NEXT MEETING: (No December meeting)**

**In the New Year:** Wednesday January 11, 2017

6:30 - 8:00pm

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