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

**DATE: \_\_Tuesday, April 3, 2018**

**In Attendance:** Sue VanW, Jocelyn Seeley-Baechler, Shannon Schmidt, Sheri Green, Grant Prince, Jill Kalmacoff, Christine Roth, Jaime Dyck, Allan MacKay, Mary Sue Meredith

**Regrets:** Donna Allen-Rutherford

We are happy to welcome Jaime Dyck, our new teacher representative! Thank you, and Christine, for reporting staff’s concerns/questions/issues to Council, and, in turn, Council’s concerns/questions/issues to staff. We are fortunate to have such wonderful liaisons!

**Teacher Report (Christine/Jaime):**

-reading programs in the library are ending soon – voting days are coming up at end of the month

-talent show – students-only show during the day of Thursday, April 26th, with the evening performance that night

-French Café – Monday, May 14 in the evening at 5:30pm for both immersion and core French from grades 1-5; intermediates will be involved in some capacity (still figuring out) – there will be food, the sharing of work, and some performances

-Math Night is Thursday, April 12th

-due date for spirit day was Tuesday, April 3rd

-track and field coming up – jr. track and field is scheduled for Friday, June 15 (at Jacob Hespeler) – don’t know the date for our school track day as of yet

**Community Report (Barb Hewitson, YMCA):** no community report from the YMCA tonight

**Community Report (Courtney Didier – ANCC):** no community report tonight from ANCC

**Treasurer Report (Becca):**

-we are still on budget, on track

-pizza is performing as expected

-some expenses still coming up (Fun Fair, EQAO, math night)

-sorry for the lack of notes – next month will be more detailed

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. ***Math Night, Thursday, April 12th – Mary Sue*** – 6:30-8:00pm

-over 60 (!) intermediate students have volunteered to help

-Planning on 400 people to attend. The night will begin in the gym with the whole group – 15 min talk to parents and kids – and activities will be in various classrooms (20 minutes at each area/classroom). There will be a math games room, estimation jars, and many other activities. 5 teachers have volunteered to help too. There will be a survey for feedback at the end of the night. Parent Council is providing refreshments (coffee, juice, water, and treats) that will be set up in foyer.

1. ***Fun Fair – Sue*** – **Wednesday, June 13th – 4:30-7:30pm**

- changing the focus from a fundraising event to a community fun night

-Jocelyn has contacted and confirmed 4 food trucks – 3 dinner trucks (Schmuck Truck, Bruce Caboose, Fo’ Cheezy) and 1 dessert truck (Megacone) – each truck has generously agreed to donate 10% of their proceeds back to us

-we are streamlining admission with wristbands, and there will be a flat rate price per family/per student if they’re coming alone ($20/family or $10 individual) – the wristband gets you access to all the games/rides/events – the only thing parents need to pay for is food trucks and the bake sale – we will be advance selling again

-no sound system, unfortunately, so we will use the school’s P.A. system and make a playlist so music runs outside and inside

-dance party in the music room (still needs supervisor, to change the songs) – we will use a Wii

-Jocelyn has looked into rides/games from Grand River Inflatables – trackless train; sport centre 5in1 game; rock climbing wall (the train and the climbing wall will staffed by Grand River Inflatables); bubble soccer(?) – we need to still choose our top couple of things – will finalize by next meeting

-rain plan – everything set up in the gym except for the train, primary games move to the music room (no dance party)

-police and firefighters present (was a hit last year) – Becca to look into – have heard back from fire department and we are confirmed – still waiting on police department

-advertising – Georgeanne (Jocelyn asking)

-Allan/Mary Sue to send word to Glenview high school for volunteers – no longer using intermediate students

-staff willing to come? Please?

1. ***EQAO*** – May 25th for grade 3, May 31st for grade 6 – plan to do it during last block
2. ***Kindergarten Info Night?*** *–* May 3rd – 6:30-7:30pm – Becca to give a welcome from Council (Jocelyn and Sue to advise/help)
3. ***PRO Grant 2018-19 Ideas*** – due June 5th; any ideas? – bring ideas forth next month – this is something to reach out to parents and get them engaged in the school (for example, this past year we had a speaker come in September to talk to parents about social media/protection on the internet)
4. ***Principal Profile*** – due shortly (April 27th); school board asks for feedback about our priorities and expectations of administration; school focus and special programs that support our students; identifying issues and concerns about our school issues when looking at a leadership transfer at Moffat Creek P.S. – we took a few minutes to look over the profile and okayed it

**Principal’s Report (Allan/Mary Sue)**

* **Any email to Allan that is Council related – please put your name and “Council Member” in the subject line**

-PD day April 13th – teachers working on school improvement plan (focus on math, wellness for teachers)

-jr. basketball club grades 5-6 (5 week session – 3:00-4:15pm, Thursdays in April, Mr. Cottenie and Mr. Patel)

-traffic committee – reaching out to councilors for support; Leslie (from student transportation) is seeking the cross-section plans for the front of the school from the region; Allan is in discussion with Cornerstone Church about parking possibilities; Walk to School Day (region-wide) is on April 25th (the mayor is coming, superintendents attending, trustees too) – Gatehouse and Newlands will be the starting point; there are several program recommendations, including Drive to Five, Trailblazers, Walking Buddies, Cancer Society – we are hoping we can get some programs up and running for September; there will be a “walk-about” date – key individuals will be coming to take a look at our issues (councilors, board, region, city reps., etc.) – hopefully soon – next meeting on Apr. 22 – next update in May

-staffing update – enrolment numbers similar to last year – not anticipating big staff changes

-staff appreciation day valued and appreciated by the staff

-will be communicating in advance for any assemblies coming up (Equity Committee) – parents will know in advance about any assemblies coming up

-more primary clubs?? In the works, perhaps

**DATES TO REMEMBER**:

Friday, April 13th – PD Day

Wednesday, April 25th – Spring Walk to School Day

Tuesday, May 1st, 6:30pm – next Council meeting and Fun Fair planning meeting

Thursday, May 3rd, 6:30-7:30pm – Kindie Info Night

Friday, May 25th – Gr. 3 EQAO ice cream celebration

Thursday, May 31st – Gr. 6 EQAO ice cream celebration

Tuesday, June 5th, 2018 – PRO Grant application due

Wednesday, June 13th, 4:30-7:30pm – Spring Fun Fair

MEETING ADJOURNED AT: 8:02pm

**NEXT MEETING**

Date: **May 1, 2018**

Time: 6:30 - 8:00pm

Location: School Library

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