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

**DATE: \_\_Wednesday, April 17th, 2019**

**In Attendance:** Becca Hardy, Lidiya Ryndya, Anwar Mousa, Tracy McGrath, Sheri Green, Shannon Schmidt, Amy Fraser, Stephanie Young, Vinesh Kaliga, Jill Kalmacoff, Jeana Quesnel, Barb Hewitson, Ashley Chaves, Christine Roth, Mary Sue Meredith, Heather Kruis

**Regrets:** Sue VanW, Donna Allen-Rutherford, Arpa Jaberian, Adriana Leigh, Jocelyn Seeley-Baechler

**Community Report (ANCC):**

* Neighbourhood BBQ at Soper Park, June 8th 4-7pm
* Register for ANCC Summer Playground program for ages 4-12 – Mon-Fri, July 2-Aug 9, 9am-3:30pm. Register at ANCC April 30 & May 2, 5:30-8pm
* Bike Rodeo at ANCC (127 Elgin St.N., St. Anne School) - May 23rd 5:30-7:30pm – get a bike inspection, go through an obstacle course, free snack
* Summer camp needs volunteers; grades 7-9 – need to take the LEAD course May 4-5 9am-5pm – apply online www.alisonneighbourhood.org
* Mother’s Day afternoon tea fundraiser - Saturday, May 11th – $5/ticket - doors open at 1pm, quarter auction and vendor display
* They are asking for a booth at Moffat Fun Fair in June

**Community Report (Barb Hewitson/Ashley Chaves – YMCA):**

* 3 new staff members
* Health and wellness challenge - 5 weeks beginning this past Monday. Challenged with physical and nutritional activities etc. There will be a ‘Strong Kids’ donation to the Centre with the most points.
* Registration for child care Waterloo Region site to register for the summer. Camp at Shades Mill, specialty camps etc.
* Purchased outdoor picnic tables, sand table and a wooden shade structure for toddler area

More information can be found on YMCA website (www.ymcacambridgekw.ca)

**Teacher Report: Christine Roth**

* Tuesday, April 23rd, Yard clean up. (moved to Thursday, April 25th due to weather)
* April 25th- Jump Rope for heart kick off assembly
* April 26th- Superhero spirit day, Blue spruce voting day
* April 29th- Silver birch and Red maple voting day
* May 7th- Intermediate track @ Moffat
* May 8th- Kindie info night 6:30pm
* May 9th- Class photo day
* May 15th- Gauss math contest
* May 17th- Jump Rope for Heart event
* May 22nd to 24th- Gr. 3 EQAO (Monday May 27th make up)
* May 22nd – Junior track @ Moffat
* May 28th to 30th- Gr. 6 EQAO
* May 28th – Intermediate track (regional)
* May 30th- Sports Jersey Spirit Day
* May 31st- P.D. Day
* June 3rd- Intermediate choir trip
* June 5th- Some of the Juniors are going to the Science Centre in Toronto
* June 11th- Fun Fair
* June 12th- Junior track (regional)
* June 21st- Kindergarten event
* June 26th- Grade 8 graduation
* Jill asked if there would be a French Café this year – Ms. Meredith responded that we will now be alternating between Carnaval one year, French Café the next
* Will there be a talent show this year? It has not been discussed by staff yet

**Treasurer Report (Becca):**

- we so far have made over $5000 in profit this year – this does not include the carryover from last year

- Pizza revenue on track.

- Pro-grant might be a wash as it is a political point

- Teacher requests continue to come to Council. Divisional requests to be submitted to Council within the next two weeks.

- Moffat Council gifted Chalmers School $1000. Chalmers thanked Moffat students and council for the funds.

**New Business:**

**1. Movie night/Carnaval/Staff Appreciation recap**

- Movie night- roughly $400 profit. Well attended.

- Carnaval was a success. Intermediate and volunteer students ran the activities. The hot chocolate had great reviews.

- Staff appreciation went well and the teachers were very appreciative of all the homemade goodies and the treats from Monigrams.

**2. EQAO:**

- We have one ice cream celebration event for both the grade 3s and 6s. The grade 3s write first, and the grade 6s write until May 30 (the 31st is a P.D. Day, so their make-up writing day is Monday, June 3rd). We discussed having the ice cream event in the middle of the week, but Anwar and Jill kindly noted that this is the end of Ramadan, and the celebration of Eid will be on the Wednesday or Thursday. To make sure all are included, we decided to have the ice cream event on **Friday, June 7th.**

**3. Kindie Info Night:**

-Kindie Info Night will be on Wednesday, May 8th, starting at 6:30pm in the library. If you are interested in joining Becca at this night (to answer any questions new caregivers to the school may have), please let her know asap.

-because Kindie Info Night was accidentally booked on our regular Council night, our **May council meeting will be Wednesday, May 15th.**

**4. Fun Fair**

* Fun Fair- Food trucks are booked. Grand River inflatables are booked, Train, rock wall, bubble soccer.
* Ms. Meredith will look into contacting Glenview highschool to secure some volunteers for us again – this worked out very well last year
* No Fun fair meeting after Council meeting as there weren’t enough Fun Fair committee members present tonight

**5. Traffic Update**

* Many people attended City meeting. Amy asked that everyone fill in the comment forms and submit. **There is an online survey (**[**www.engagewr.ca/myers-road-reconstruction**](http://www.engagewr.ca/myers-road-reconstruction)**) – available until April 26th.** Amy asked that we stay focused on parking only for now. Asked that ‘we need on street parking’. If any further comments, please e-mail Amy Fraser.
* Cindy Watson (Cambridge WRDSB Trustee) visited Moffat today.
* Lesley Maxwell from Student transportation also visited Moffat this morning.
* We are encouraged that a ramp from California Road may be in the plans, along with a pedestrian island and lights (hopefully).
* We are not suggesting that parents park on California Road, simply for pedestrians, not a drop off area at the end of California. Drop off on McNichol or Summerside.
* Amy suggested that we also share parent comments with Frank Monteiro (Ward 7 Councillor).
* Many meetings (even behind the scenes) with Principal and WRDSB regarding planning, Superintendent, Skylar at Region etc. April 29th. Region and Board ONLY are meeting. There may be a Parent Town Hall regarding parking after this meeting on the 29th.
* Senior staff at Region, WRDSB and local Politicians are now willing to listen and communicate with each other.
* Public town hall may be organized by WRDSB in the future to hear suggestions.
* Word of mouth is the current solution to communicate.
* Suggestion of a ‘Parent Task Force’ to address speeding, traffic, parking etc. The group would meet to go over ideas prior to town hall. We are asking the school to allow us to use a room to gather. Amy volunteered to head the task force. Tuesday, May 7th meeting 6:30pm.
* Amy Fraser will produce a flyer with her e-mail address, contact information for Skyler at Region and Survey meeting, information regarding a Parent task force group

**Principal’s Report (Mrs. Kruis and Ms. Meredith)**

* Last Thursday, there was a Math test (eTIMSS), international study. Moffat was selected. We will never see school or Board results, it’s simply to see Canadian results compared to the World.
* Staffing update- 29 classes next year – 4 JK/SK, 11 grade 1-6 classes, 8 intermediate classes, French Immersion- 6 classes, including a new FI grade 7 class.
* Mrs. Wyse- is on maternity leave, now hired LTO until the end of the year.
* There has been a bit of a turnover problem with the junior core French teachers – Mrs. Kruis and Ms. Meredith are hoping this will be solved soon, as they are close to hiring a teacher to fill this position.
* Graduation grade 8- June 26th at 6:30pm. Asking council for $500 for decorations and approximately 4-5 cakes, enough to feed over 200-300 people (students and their families)
* Fast Forest- Lucan, Wednesday morning at 9am, Sue and Heather met to discuss the warranty on the trees on the main playground and to get a quote on trees for the kindie area, along with a possible yearly maintenance plan for mulch and fertilizing of the trees.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT: 8:20pm.

**DATES TO REMEMBER**:

Kindergarten Information Night – Wednesday, May 8th

EQAO Ice Cream Celebration for Gr. 3 & 6 – Friday, June 7th

Tuesday, June 11th –Spring Fun Fair 4:30-7:30pm

Also see ‘teacher’s report’ from Christine Roth

**NEXT MEETING**

Date: **Wednesday, May 15th, 2019**

Time: 6:30 - 8:00pm

Location: School Library

**We are still looking for a “social media” helper for Council – someone who is willing to update Facebook and Twitter. Contact Becca if interested.**

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