

New Dundee Public School - School Council Meeting December 07, 2016

Attendance: Rebecca B (co-chair), Angie H, , Noel J, Terry Y (community rep.), Mrs. Witzke, Mr. Burnley

1. Welcome

- Bingo math night has received positive feedback.

2. Principal's Report

- Allergy aware food-drive has done well.
- Bingo math night was considered a real success. Grade 5 had the highest attendance.
- "Week of giving" is going well.
 - 270 stuffed toys brought to the teddy bear night at the Rangers game.
 - \$180 also donated, to benefit Turkey Toonies.
- Mr. Heer's online twitter challenges are going well.
- Tolerance assembly today was well received.

3. Council financial report

- No updates at this time.

4. Grants Update

- Open - Rotary grant that Angie brought to Karen. Karen has explored some supporting information (medical studies) that can justify the expenditure for adjustable furniture (stools, height adjusting tables, balls for sitting).
 - Karen has completed the form and has submitted it for council feedback. Deadline to submit December 31st.
- Canada post grant - pending for playground equipment.
- PRO (parent's reaching out) grant not open yet.
- TD Grant not open.
- Staples Superpower grant up to \$25,000 available for technologies. Closes at the end of January.
- Parent involvement grant, perhaps use the funds for an event in the spring.
- Investigate the Toyota Evergreen Grant. Noel Jull will investigate.

5. Council support for December school activities? (food/charity drives, holiday events?)

- Council will cover the cost of treats required for the Christmas concert.

6. Winter activity planning:

- Bag2school
 - Collection dates: January 9-16 and May 23-29.

- The stage will be used as a collection point.
- The senior grades will assist with carrying the bags when pickup occurs.
- Movie nights - any G rated movie, no license necessary.
 - Friday February 3rd, 2017.
 - No movie selected yet.
- Dance-a-thon
 - Student DJ's from Waterloo Oxford.
 - Rent equipment.
 - The event will happen on February 14th.
 - Funds to be steered towards the purchase of new guided reading books.
 - Push the online donation option so that parents can get a tax receipt.
 - Voting that Youth Action Council will sell dance-a-thon accessories with funds going towards Youth Action Council. Motion raised by Angie, seconded by Rebecca.
 - Volunteers may be required.
- Spirit wear sales - attach to a possible anniversary party.
- A possible winter carnival. Led by Mrs. McDonnell

7. 2017 meeting dates (January, February, April, May)

- January 17th @ 6:30pm
- May 9th @ 7pm
- Dates for the remainder of the year weren't conclusive.

8. Other items – open floor

- April 24, 1928 is the "anniversary" of New Dundee Public School. We are the oldest school in the Township.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00