

**Prueter Public School.  
Parent Council Minutes – October 21, 2013**

**Updates:**

- Sand has been delivered for the JK SK play area

**Treasurer Report**

- \$5878.46 current balance
  - still waiting to receive an invoice for the work done on the X-Wave
- The estimated cost of the repair is \$2200

**Principal's Report**

- Discussion from the Board about changing bell times, in order to save money on bussing.
- Bell times may change +20min or -20min.
- the changes are brought on by the sudden decline in high school registration ( down by 800 students)
- changes will be made in the 2014 school year.
- all schools will be effected
- Prueter's proposed change would set the bell times at 9:10am and 3:30pm
- thinking of extending bussing
- some schools will change some will not.

**Liability Insurance**

- first time hearing of this as an option
- it's through the School board
- it's needed if we are to have inflatables or fun fair rides etc..
- the cost is \$140 per year
- usually offered to council at the beginning of the school year
- can we join late
- more inquiry needed

**Fundraising Money**

- our secretary Bev Campbell is not to be counting any money
- money needs to be counted by two people

**Math Moment** ( kindergarten play based learning at a glance)

- teacher placed shapes onto a light table and had children come up and play without adult support
- while playing the student began to demonstrate
- the student began sorting by shape and colours
- identified 2D shapes
- basic counting to 5
- demonstrated collaborative play
- recognizing numbers without counting

- created pictures

### **Parent Math Information Night**

- how do we get parents out
- what is the best way to explain the math curriculum

### **Teacher's Report**

- teachers have been busy with progress reports
- they are out by November 4th
- focus on early literacy
- using Strong Start program
- the school received 12 dream box licences
- the school has 10 that they purchased
- the dream box program has an app that it can be used on the classroom iPad
- dream box is a computer math program that is like a computer game and it helps to build on particular math concepts as your child completes sections.
- important to not help your child in any way because depending on how they answer is continues to build onto what has already been learned
- students are asked to use this 20 min a day at home

### **Chair Report**

- compassion fund, the tragic death of one of our students father
- what can we do from this fund to help out the family
- donations to the trust fund? VOTE YES

The three little children's trust Fund

TD BANK

Branch 0111

account number 6391292

Agreed on a one time deposit of \$500 from parent council

Agreed to have donations raised for autism day to be given in Colin Mac Connell's name ( Brianna's little brother )

Also to check if any gift cards remain from years past to also give to the family

### **Fundraising ideas**

- movie nights, mustang theatre will host on location
- school needs to purchase \$160 license to host movie nights

### **Other business**

#### **Twitter account**

- looking into setting one up for parents
- frequent updates on what is upcoming at the school

## **Dance A Thon**

- still needs to be booked

## **Running club and Volley ball teams in need of transportation**

- set up a fund for bussing if it's needed
- place \$200 aside each year for this

## **Parents Questions**

Don asked about having more school assessments done because family's can't afford them. - not looking into anything like this at the present time. Schools are only allotted so many per school year.

Are teachers still using day trippers?

Not sure but will ask in time of the next meeting.

**NEXT MEETING**  
**DECEMBER 16<sup>TH</sup>**

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