

# **SILVERHEIGHTS SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

## **MAY 25, 2016**

### **CALL TO ORDER & WELCOME**

Amanda welcomed everyone and thanked all parents and staff for their support and involvement.

### **PRESENT**

Amanda Rilan, Brenda Moen, Wendy Campbell, Chad Moffat, Stacey Golubovic  
Faye Wilson, Karen Petznick, Dana Tremblay, Helen Parker-Brown, Paula Butt, Owen Rilan,  
Jenn Checkley

### **APPROVAL OF THIS EVENING`S AGENDA**

Approved: Faye Wilson

Seconded: Paula Butt

### **APPROVAL OF JANUARY 2016 MINUTES**

Approved: Helen Parker-Brown

Seconded: Paula Butt

### **CURRENT CORRESPONDENCE**

Most correspondence is for fundraising opportunities for review at a later date.  
Additional correspondence on School Bus laws, PIC Communication

### **PRINCIPAL UPDATES**

- April Staffing is well underway, some teachers leaving for schools closer to home ☺
- Reduction in Kindergarten Classes to 5 from 6 for 2016/2017, all staff remaining on board for coverage of MAT Leaves/LTO contracts
- At the Bandstand coming June 14; Grades 6, 7 and 8 working hard! Come out to support!
- School picnic June 10th at 1:25pm, everyone welcome
- Newsletter for Learning Environment coming; please make requests for upcoming class allocations in writing
- Field trips in full swing; EQAO coming for Gr6 and Gr3
- Survey ongoing within the school for funds allocation; great participation from Staff, students and teachers; Outdoor Classroom supported through school funds, stage is most requested
- New Silverhawk Mascot coming to an assembly near you!

## **VICE PRINCIPAL UPDATES**

- Graduation booked for June 28, Tickets available
- Gr5 Bike Safety Event through City of Cambridge Healthy Kids Grant – looking for annual participation
- Multiple other class initiatives; Gr4 Museum Trip, Gr3/4 Gardens, Gr7/8 Immunizations
- French Café June 15 with full school involvement
- Softball clinics for intermediate classes – Thank you Mr. Thompson
- School Safety Planning – encouraging active transportation to school
- Fundraising for Fort MacMurray huge success – thank you
- Tennis in the school
- Intermediate Track May 31; Junior Track at Silverheights June 1
- Leadership Team is rebranding – renewed focus on monthly assemblies and awards, tying into wellness initiatives and learning goals

## **TEACHER UPDATES**

- Intramurals w/ Floor Hockey
- Jacob Hespeler Music Program presented
- Kindy Orientation had great turnout
- Gr8 Camp coming – promotes great relationships heading into high school
- High School tours coming

## **SILVERHEIGHTS NEIGHBOURHOOD ASSOCIATION (SNA) UPDATES**

- So much on the go in your neighborhood!
- Bike Rodeo June 7 6 – 8pm; Hub will be providing tune-ups, and helmets are available for anybody who needs them
- Summer Playground LIT in full swing; many weeks are at full registration
- Hi5 Recreational Accreditation being evaluated
- Chill Zone – Drop off on Friday Nights
- Great work Faye! So much available for our neighborhood!!

## **STAGE DISCUSSION & UPDATES**

- Great opportunity to bring school together, assemblies, yearend productions, Silver Celebration – safety allows everyone to participate
- Council is excited to support these initiatives
- Unanimous Vote to Support Investment in Stage

## **OUTDOOR CLASSROOM DISCUSSION**

- Can have multiple forms/focus opportunities; start small and grow over time
- TD EverGreen Funds are available, as well as Toyota Evergreen Project
- Helen will lead parent involvement with joint venture with Staff

## **FINANCE UPDATE**

- Tasty Batter cookies successful again this year ~\$5000
- Pizza had only two sessions but overall down, ~\$8000 this year
- Total Funds available ~\$28,000

## **DISTRIBUTION OF FUNDS**

- Grad, Track & Field ~\$3K (\$2,200 & \$800) – Unanimous approval to support these initiatives
- Stage ~\$16K (estimate only, final total to follow) - Unanimous Approval for the purchase of a stage
- If French Café needs assistance – up to \$200 approved

## **FUNDRAISING FOR FALL**

- Looking for additional support to manage fundraising activities; looking for subcommittee to be established
- QSP – easy to work with
- Tasty Batters, Magazines being evaluated for most bang for the buck

## **NEW BUSINESS**

- The work of a volunteer makes everything more beautiful. We appreciate it!
- Thanks Silverheights Parents and Teachers! Have a great summer!