**Suddaby School Council**

**Minutes Monday, September 19, 2016**

**7:00 p.m. School Library**

1. Welcome and Introductions

2. Final Closure of 2015-2016 year

Minutes approval for April and June (previous Council)

Aaron L motioned to approve as circulated – Euen seconded

Treasurer: June BBQ brought in $1269.25 – $500 costs were covered through School Council grant – final Council Balance $2731.24

3. School Council structure

- Council consists of parents, teacher representatives, community rep and school administration.

- meet 6-7 times per year

- quorum of 50% required for decisions during the year

- appreciate time for volunteers but hope that can attend regularly to move agenda items into acceptance

4. Council Executive for 2016-2017

Thank you to:

Co-Chairs: Bryan Grimwood and Aasia Khatoon –

Secretary: Susannah Schmidt

Treasurer: Stephanie Meyers

WRAPSC rep: Kathryn Blair

5. Reports

- Principal

1. **School Improvement Plan:** Suddaby has been identified as a school to receive Math Learning support for the coming school year. As a result we will be focusing on Math and Assessment during the coming year. We will be focusing on the continuum of skills from Kindergarten to Grade 6. The staff has identified sharing of strategies, internal observation, learning from each other and improved resource use as areas to support during PD this year. We will be focusing on these areas during our first PD day on September 23.
2. **Staffing Updates:** We welcomed some new staff members to Suddaby over the summer months. Grade 4/5 French immersion, Mlle Presenger, Grade 1 French Immersion Mlle Stewart and returning to Suddaby was Mlle Underhill for our Grade 2 French Immersion class. In June we welcomed Mr. Callaghan to Grade 4/5, Mrs. Koufis to Kindergarten and Mrs. Weir to Planning coverage. We are looking forward to working with our new colleagues and having them share their teaching experiences.
3. **Basketball Nets Have Arrived!** We had our new basketball standards installed last week. The funding for these nets came from the Hop-a-Thon that was held last April. We are very excited to have these for our students to use during the year. Our community will also enjoy them outside of school hours.
4. **Meet the Teacher:** We held our meet the teacher on Wednesday, September 14. It was a very good turnout of families for the evening. We raised $540.00 for Nutrition for Learning through the sale of Smile Cookies.
5. **Nutrition For Learning:** Our school breakfast program has started again. Sarah McDonald is coordinating the program again this year. Each classroom receives a bin of food each day. The bin contains items from 3 food groups. Students may select one item from each food group. We have student volunteers taking the bins to the classes, staff volunteers who are packing and cleaning the bins. We are looking for parent and community volunteers to help pack the bins each day and wash the bins each week. Please contact the school if you are able to assist.

5. Items for October agenda

- suggestions for consideration during the coming year were discussed and will be further reviewed at future meetings:

- Strong Start volunteers are interested, Program coordinator has been arranged centrally – will be attending training with goal to start in October

- interest was expressed to coordinate a dance-a-thon for fundraising – Stephanie will speak with teacher representatives

- costume swap was suggested – follow up at October meeting

- focus for fundraising and events to begin at October meeting

6. Future Dates

Monday, October 17

Monday, November 21

Monday, January 16

Monday, March 20

Monday, April 24

Monday, May 15