School Council Minutes April 21, 2016

Present: Danielle Reynolds, Sharon Dunlop, Sarah Nakamura, Danny Lee, Jenn Sullivan, Meredythe Hertz, Pam Law, Erin Cleasby, Ali Hasan, Tina Landry, Jennifer Sullivan (City of Kitchener), Tara Parachuk (WCA)

Regrets: Karen Madsen, Susan Morgan, Maya El Baltaji, Erin Labour, Robin Landry, Barb Brown, Rita Givlin, Natalie Breau

Admin Report

Barb & Rita sent their regrets. No admin report provided. This will be sent out next week.

Ideas for next PRO Grant event

- Mindless event (this could be a free event that we do)
- Science Based Event
- Healthy Kids Event
 - Jennifer mentioned that there will be a grant coming out in the next few months geared towards Healthy Kids / Nutrition

Science based event was voted on by the council. Vote was passed to submit a grant proposal to PRO for funding for next school year.

Cat Coode of Binary Tattoo

Feedback: Overall great turnout and good information was provided to parents. The event was live-tweeted by council. Not having a daycare didn't really negatively impact anything.

Upcoming Dates

- April 30th Wet Land Clean up
- May 2nd Music Monday at NOON. One song is learned by everyone across Canada and everyone sings this song at the same time. Parents are Welcome.
- May 12th Arts Nights. Need parent council volunteers
- May 17 Junior Track Meet (Grade 4-6)
- May 19th Kindie Info night
- May 20th Jump Rope for Heart

Question for Barb/ Rita: Will there be a Multicultural fashion show occurring this year?

Tara Parachuck – President of WCA (Williamsburg Community Association)

- Informed the council that she wants to get more involved and connected with WTT.
- Can help to advise WTT events
- Council informed Tara to let us know of any family events that are low cost of Free
- Informed the council that Neighbourhood Day is June 11th
 - Family event. Neighbourhood garage sale occurs. For anyone that wants to plan to do a yard sale this would be a great date to do this.
 - Activities are planned for at the park
- Consider to apply for grants through local credit union

Any Other Business?

Phase 2 Playground Concerns

 There are concerns with flooding at stage area, drainage issues, sprinkler is a tripping hazard, sand pit area has liner coming through, snake area is extremely mudding

Council moved that Barb / Rita should get a quote for the expense of adding more soil / grade to natural playground.

Council would like to know what cost the school board covers for the ongoing maintenance of the playground.

Need to ensure there is adequate maintenance provided for the natural playground.

Multicultural Food Fair over all went well. Feedback provided:

- Prices seemed to be off there wasn't consistency
- Barb / Rita there needs to be a better communication to parents, informing them of prices, reason behind the event and what the school hopes to achieve with this event.

Agenda items for next meeting, Thursday, May 19, 2016 at 6:30 p.m.

- PRO Grant application for 2016-2017
- Fundraising