

CAPTAIN R. WILSON COUNCIL MINUTES

Captain R. Wilson Public School Council Meeting

Monday, April 3, 2017

In Attendance:

Council Representation: Kathy Fournier (Principal), Chris Row (Vice Principal), Susan Murphy, Michelle Edwards-Boldt, Mandip Bains, Bahy Salah, Kristen Marshall (HDSB)

Council Representatives Absent: Chris Row (Vice Principal), Kevin Bassett, Andrea Bays, Ilia Fischer

Members at Large: Stephanie Clark, April Brown, Kathryn Fish, Michelle Fung

The meeting was called to order at 6:30pm by Susan Murphy

Approval of Minutes and Agenda: There were not enough members at the meeting to vote on previous minutes or the agenda. Will do so either by email or at next meeting.

Principal's Report

- Dance-a-thon took place last week and was a great success. Professor Jams was particularly complementary towards our senior grades and their level of participation.
- Mr. Shea and the Band participated in Halton Region Band Extravaganza and Ms. Peace and her team attended the Halton Skills Competition.
- Jungle Sport is set up in the Gym and started today with the Kindergartens and will continue throughout the week.
- Drew Scott, our community Police Office has confirmed that he will attend the Fun Fair.
- The Boys Senior basketball teams are heading into the playoffs, and Volleyball and Track & Field will start up soon and along with Jr Basketball.
- Spirit Wear is moving along, but there has been a change to the vendor and the new vendor does not have the same online capabilities.
 - A distressed look logo with the shark will be available in white with grey and blue logo or blue with white and grey logo. A blue ball cap will also be available.
 - The t-shirts will be available in cotton, under armour, and a women's v-neck.
 - The school is asking for support from the council to assist with the sizing day, collecting the forms and summarizing them as well as the distribution of the orders. Council has agreed to assist.
- Kristen Marshall and Chris Row presented the plan for Numeracy Night (May 2, 5:30 – 7:00). The vision for this year's numeracy night is to focus on educating our community on the Achievement Chart specific to its application to math. The Achievement chart is made up of 4 categories: Communication, Knowledge and Thinking, Communication, and Application.
 - Each corner of the gym will represent one of the categories and will include sample questions for each level to help parents understand each different section of the chart, and how it applies

- to different learning levels. Based on the positive feedback from last year the middle of the gym will still contain mats with manipulatives to engage people. Kristen Marshall has agreed to manage an Information table in the Bow to provide the Board perspective on the Achievement chart and provide literature relating to chart. She plans to have some Chromebooks to provide opportunities to demonstrate the Dreambox applications that use the chart's learning strategies. Susan Murphy inquired about reading material to send to the parents ahead of time as part of the invitation. Kristen Marshall will type up the layman's terms version and forward to Mr. Row for council to include in the invitation.
- The Regional Numeracy Night is May 6th, at Anne McArthur.

Fundraising and Events

- Movie Night made approximately \$550. We sold out of the concessions.
- Dance-a-thon Recap is at least \$4000, after the cost of Professor Jamz. Trinkets table sold out, recommend having at least one \$5 item next year. Professor Jams was thinking of removing the Grades 6-8 level because of lack of engagement but not at CRW, our kids had great enthusiasm.
- Fun Fair Update (June 20) – Professor Jams will be there, as well as Niagara Inflatables, the Community Police Officer, and 4 Food trucks (Andrea to confirm list at a later date).
- Pita Pit will start again on May 4th. Forms to go out ASAP.

Parental Involvement Committee

- Pro Grant Application is due May 25. Susan looking for suggestions and direction. Some ideas listed are a Healthy Lifestyle initiative with Active Chefs, Mindfulness and Yoga sessions, Numeracy Event again.
 - The Board suggests (but not limits) applications for Math Strategy Resources, Indigenous Studies, Parent Engagement activities promoting the Arts.
 - The application should be written in a broad sense so that it can easily be adjusted later or next year.

New Business

- Chapters at Dorval is closing in December, our Chapters night should be ok still in November. Will have to monitor next year.
- Susan suggests that we have a planning meeting for next year in June, as there are many initiatives that will need to be in full swing by the time we have our first meeting in the fall.
- School Council will attend Kindergarten night to promote the Council in general as well as the Fun Fair.
- Michelle asked if Council was being asked to support any Grade 8 Grad events. Mrs. Fournier will check but suggests there is no request as of yet for the Council.
- Michelle also suggests that the Playground woodchips need to be refreshed and was not sure of that was the school's responsibility or the Town's responsibility?
- Stephanie Clark suggests that the rear playground needs some shade or a seating area. Mrs. Fournier does not know of any plans and given the changes coming to enrollment may be best to hold off as based on upcoming registrations, needs may change.

- Mrs. Fournier suggests that an objective for next year may be to upgrade the library furniture, creating a few activity spaces, for example a “Makers Space”.

The meeting adjourned at 7:40pm.

The next meeting is Monday, May 1 at 6:30pm in the library. All are welcome.