

Parent Council Meeting # 3
January 17, 2017

Minutes approved by all

Hot Lunch Report that all is going well and the next hot lunch is Subs and Spirit Wear Day. Scheduled date is January 25, 2017 which is a Wednesday and not the normal day but was the only one available.

Fun Fair is coming along wonderfully and scheduled for the evening of June 8, 2017 from 5p.m. until 7 p.m. The sub committee met with the staff and gave a presentation of their ideas and also got some input and ideas from the teachers. Mrs. Miller has volunteered to do the bake sale for the Fun Fair in the school with the kindergarten students. Parent Council will offer some donations of time and baking supplies to help out. A coupon will be handed out at the Kinderstart event scheduled for February 21, 2017 inviting new parents and upcoming students to the Fun Fair. A games list and task list along with a volunteer list has been or will be made available to staff. There will be a small entry fee for this event and no tickets for games will be sold but the games will be timed. The sub committee is also looking into selling cotton candy, snow cones, hot dogs drinks and chips. Ms. McLean suggested calling Par-Tee rentals about a snow cone machine. We may be able to borrow a Bar B Que from Northern High School for the hot dogs. Halal hot dogs will also be offered for families who wish these. A raffle and silent auction will also take place. There was a positive reception about this event from the staff.

Errol Road School now has a Facebook Page! It has been updated by Mme. Evans and seems to be a great idea for letting parents and the community know whats happening at our school.

The health nurse is coming in for the Sex Ed part of the curriculum but no date has been set as of this meeting. Rebound is also scheduled to come in in the next few days to start a Choices Program with selected students and permission forms and information have been sent home. This program helps teach children about healthy choices in all parts of their lives similar to the VIP program at our school.

Sadly a death in one of our staff families at Errol Road occurred before Christmas and condolences were expressed by staff. Parent Council wishes to express our sympathy to this family and will give a Sunripe fruit basket and a Davids Tea gift card and sympathy card. Michelle Kember will take care of this. It was agreed a 50.00\$ fruit basket and a 25.00\$ gift card.

Report Cards are set to go home for all students February 17, 2017 and Term two starts for students February 3.

PA Days coming up are February 3, 2017 and Family Day February 20, 2017

Mr. Mayo was teaching a grade 2/3 English class but has since gotten a contract and is now teaching 1/2 time in Mr. Jackson's 6/7 class. A new teacher will start January 18, 2017 in the 2/3 class named Mrs. Bezaire.

As in years past Parent Council has given each classroom an amount of \$200.00 for use on educational activities such as field trips or in class activities and has been decided we would do this again this year.

Our treasurer has been working hard on the budget and accounts from Parent Council and has rolled over all accounts into one account. This budget from the last 2 years will be sent with minutes from this meeting to all in attendance.

Michelle Kember will remind Mr. Hazzard about sport jerseys.

The office has requested some money to buy snacks to keep in the office for kids who need them. \$200.00 was granted for this.

Various fundraising events have helped in many areas of the school, a few recent ones are as follows: Dance A Thon held last year was given to help develop the Learning Commons and an Electrician was in January 17 2017 to assess the electrical needs in the Learning Commons and 8 additional outlets will be added. Mr. Jackson will be encouraged to come in the future and present on what else Parent Council can help out with in this area. Mr. Hazzard may need additional funds to purchase sports equipment. Funds were given to Mr. Hazzard to buy a ping pong table set for the school as well as new Sports Jerseys. Mrs. Hillier was granted money for dance lessons for the classes who wish to participate in this. Money for each class for educational use in the amount of \$200 has been passed after a motion was made by Meg Lyon. Kelly Murray Scott will monitor this account as Treasurer.

Parent Council will again this year as in years past cover the dinner cost of the students graduating Grade eight this year. An idea to maybe look into changing venues next year was brought up. Maybe a larger more cost effective spot. Kari Sulaiman offered to look into a few places and let Joy McLean or Mr. VanHumbeck know at a later date.

Joy Mclean said she may invest in a freezer for the school that Parent Council could use for some of our fundraising events held through the year.