

Kimberley Junior Public School Parent Council
Meeting #7 - April 29, 2019

In Attendance: Jenn Penikett, Patti Myers, Megan Meeds, Jenn Tinker, Lillian Hanson, Chris Van Hoeijen, Bruce Burley(1), Kate McColeman, Deirdre Crampton, Rebecca Hart,

1. Welcome

- Megan welcomed everyone

2. Old Business approval of last minutes

- On April 23, 2019, via email, Megan motioned to approve February 2019 and March 2019 minutes, seconded by Deirdre

3. Treasurer's Report

-there is not much of an update on budget. Our current balance is \$19,402. However, a lot will be coming out because we have a few things to pay that has gone through the office. \$1767 has gone through the office that is showing on SAP and showing received. At the end of every month Natalie has been writing an invoice for us. We are negative \$1000 in the donation account.

- PNO brought in \$800 but it was not supposed to be a big fundraiser. It was a fun night.

- Family Fun Night will be the only event where money will be coming in. Otherwise we will be spending money for the remainder of the year.

- Some of the budget lines are guesstimates because we do not have the final figures for the chrome books. WE are waiting for an invoice from Natalie.

- Jenn is also assuming teachers will be booking buses and using field trip money - final figures will not come through until teachers submit their requests.

- We went over budget on technology because we bought the cart. We however feel it is okay because we have lot of money to spend.

- Lillian would like to continue to work together on filling the cart with any extra money

- There was discussion re profit made at the Family Fun Fair and if it's split 50/50 with Centre 55. And if what we pay Centre 55 is a donation because of past budget lines. It was discussed that cash made gets split night of/next day. There should not be any payments or donations made to anyone. We need to discuss with Evonne. Are sponsorships donations?

- BAS is in charge of the lemonade

- BAS and Centre 55 got cheques last year and Centre 55 was listed as a donation. We do not want to do that going forward as it's not a donation. 3 groups take share of the cash.

- Need to clarify "donation"

- Lillian would like Jenn p to ask Natalie to have the budget person (Elaine?) to come to a meeting

- Budget meeting will be set for sometime in May: Jenn P, Jenn T, Rebecca, Megan volunteered to attend this meeting to set the budget for 2019/2020 school year

4. Community Events

- Bruce painted and varnished the butterfly samples with acrylic paint and a varnish. He then put them in a bucket of water for a few days. He said they seem good and survived the water. He got the varnish at Canadian Tire and painted it on. He suggested we likely need 2 coats. The holes drilled well. The only complaint he has is that they are small and flimsy. He also tested using a sharpie and thought worked well too. He feels that outdoor

house paint would be expensive and you'd need a lot. He is also not sure how long they will last. Caretakers Union may be concerned about parents putting things on the fence.

- painting: May 21 or May 24 (rain day). We will make a sign up sheet for parent volunteers
- Lillian asked that we please talk to BAS to include them in this project, either on their own or together.

- Family Fun Fair - we have a good committee, lots of stuff ordered, checking off boxes and a few hiccups but going well. Lillian asked if we'd like the Tennis people at our Fun Fair. However not sure what they want to do? Possibly advertise their camps. Megan to get in touch with them.

- Ability in Action - dates that we gave don't work and haven't confirmed any dates that work yet. Do we have money for it? Approx \$1500. We bought butterflies, but still need paint etc. Have about \$1700 left in the budget. Dates may not match up anyway. Could be something we do next year.

- Chess: Lillian talked to the other principle and they like the Chess instructor. He goes into the classes during class time to teach the lessons. She cannot remember the costs. She brings him back each year. Megan will call to see the cost and get more information. An option for next year.

- Cobalt Gallery/theatrix: is this a possibility instead of field trip options for the \$15 per child. It's up to the teachers if they want to take kids on field trips but it's difficult if one class goes on one and others don't. We wanted to include more physical arts and drama options. Chris recommend that we collaborate with BAS on this. Something to think about for next year.

5. Fundraising Activities

- Sprit Wear - not a fundraiser. Site is up.
- PNO already discussed.

6. Other Updates

- Hot Lunch: parents emailed Megan asking if we could do Hot Lunch 5 days a week. Lillian: kids are enjoying the meals because lots they are not as nutritious as they could be and packing lunch may be a teaching moments on nutrition. A child who could not afford was going into the line. Lillian thinks 3 days is good. Junior kids often go out on Fridays.

- It is also a possibility that more kids would be in the gym if we did 5 days

- is centre 55 an option? They are full.

- agreed that it is not an option at this point

- Teacher appreciation lunch: June 17 - Megan to reach out to BAS

- Volunteer appreciation meeting: do we need to have one? Teachers put together a volunteer breakfast last year. It's important to thank our volunteers but not sure what to do. Ms. Kevill sent home certificates and pens. To be tabled and discussed amongst committee

- Lillian would like to work with Kimberley and BAS parents on mending working relationship. She does not want it to be so separate and does not want it to trickle down to the kids as she has worked really hard to bring the schools together. Megan noted she has met with them, coffee etc. Possibly invite them to our meetings and Megan can attend theirs.

- Parent Survey - Rebecca worked on it and needs to updated it a bit. We would like to send a link to our new website with the survey and hoping more people to look at the website. We will draft the email. Should we offer incentive to do the survey - how do you keep it anonymous?

6. Teachers Report

- 7 teachers are doing Scientist in the School. Confirmed the procedure for teachers to receive the \$15 field trips money for each student, fill out the form and submit it to Natalie. If it goes above \$15, the remainder needs to go through school cash online. There is a conflict with a school trip and pizza lunch. Megan agreed that we can order it for that class and have it on the following day. 209 is away May 29, Pizza lunch for that class to be held on May 30 in the classroom.
- Teachers are very thankful for all the financial help.
- Primary Concert is on May 6. Music Monday is on May 6 at 1pm. And there will be a bake sale at the concert for Grade 6 graduation fundraising.
- There is a letter writing campaign going around, please talk to BAS
- Please sign name you name to Union postcards supporting Building Better Schools and submit to Chris
- A few teachers attended an event and met TDSB Director John Malloy and are pleased that he is standing behind parents/teachers with government cuts
- Please wear red on Fridays in support of Red for Ed showing support and solidarity against cuts to education and unfair classroom sizes.

7. Principal's Report

- On May 1, racer Alex Tagliani will be attending the school to raise allergy awareness. There was a nice article in the Star on the weekend. All the kids will participate, even kids without media consent. All kids with anaphylaxis allergies will be invited to the race. Kids that do not have media consent will wear a purple bracelet so media knows not to take their pictures or interview them. It will start just before 10am.
- BAS will not be doing it a movie night
- Lois the crossing guard is retiring - Lillian suggested to BAS that they do the last cafe in her honour. Rebecca suggested we get her spirit wear. Kimberley Council will decide on how to honour her and when. Lillian noted that she attends graduation each year.
- Lillian is working on the time tables for next school year. The model she created has been approved and there will be 2 5/6, 3 1/2, 2/3, 3/4, 4/5
- 3/4 is tricky because of French programming - French delivery is 210 minutes, however a teacher has 240 minutes of prep, so there is 30 mins left of something else (PE, Media). She is brainstorming - having all 3/4's (Kimberley and BAS) together for 210 minutes a week and all the 4's will go together to French and the 3's will have literacy boost. French is 7 periods a week.
- Still cannot be certain on teachers because they can still apply for other positions. Assignments will come out in June.

8. Other - none