

Kimberley Junior Public School Parent Council
Meeting #8 - May 27, 2019

In Attendance: Jenn Penikett, Patti Myers, Megan Meeds, Lillian Hanson, Chris Van Hoeijen, Bruce Burley(1), Kate McColeman, Deirdre Crampton, Rebecca Hart,
Guest: Yvonne Hossack Centre 55

1. Welcome

- Megan welcomed everyone

2. Old Business approval of last minutes

- On May 8, 2019, via email, Bruce motioned to approve April 2019 minutes, seconded by Jenn Tinker on May 26, 2019

3. Community Events (first order of biz)

- Yvonne from Centre 55 was present at the meeting
- Lois the Crossing Guard is retiring. We will invite her to the morning coffee, date TBD. Centre 55 would like to contribute
- we will invite parents. Yvonne would like to send a notice out to her contacts. Agreed, however noted that we need to secure the hallway doors to the classrooms to control the public persons in the school.
- Family Fun Night will be on Thursday June 6, 5:30-7:30pm.
- Start setting up at 4pm.
- Centre 55 has 36 staff to run the activities
- We have rented 2 bouncy equipment - we will need a 4 Centre 55 staff to supervise (tickets and counting kids) but we are also paying the company to monitor equipment.
- Discussion re gatorade jugs and coolers. Centre 55 will provided 2 jugs. BAS will do the Lemonade and we will fill one with water.
- Coolers - we need 2 coolers from Centre 55
- Centre will bring sound system for music
- We have all the tickets
- Centre will send over a list of activities. The summer staff will start Monday June 3 and family fun night will be their first task
- Tables will be well marked so they don't get mixed up
- Megan to pick up gifts on Monday from Cameron
- Any prizes not sold/picked up do we will keep and re-use for another event
- Food - all taken care of, we may need the use of centre freezer day of for ice cream.
- We need to give Centre the ticket pricing so the staff know how many tickets to take for activities
- We would like some staff to help with Tombolas. Once that is over can the same staff come help with ice cream and bbq
- We will have a parent lounge to sit and eat in the trees
- How do we pay Centre? In the past we sent it in as a donation but never get a receipt. We split 1/2 of proceeds after everything is paid. Can we get confirmation of receipt of cheque? Jenn P to let Cameron know and ask him for a receipt.

4. Update on Butterflies - we have enough left over for the kids that missed it and all the Kindies. 100 left. They look great! BAS council meeting offered help with the varnish. Megan to ask them to help the day with the painting on June 3.

- Kids seemed to like it, cooperative, positive feedback from everyone! Thank you Deirdre for taking the lead on this. There is also lots of acrylic paint left if teachers want it.

5. Pizza lunch - next year Megan is proposing to increase the price of pizza slice to \$2.50 and no milk. It's a lot of work to do both school age and kindie because kindie cannot have milk in the classroom. Agree - no milk. 1 slice \$3, \$2 for additional slices

6. Parent Survey - 57 people so far

- Overall positive response

- Future Focus: fundraising, advocacy, events (stem, reading jk/sk, wellness theme, safety, advocate for kids with LD)

- Rebecca went through the survey results

- Feedback on spending funds, parents would like money spent on clubs

- Moving forward: keep up the good work, create subcommittees, more advocacy, events should be more open and inclusive (comment re being clique), would like AC for classrooms, FB/Instagram account

- Thank you Rebecca for putting this together

- Committees: if we consider this, we need to keep in mind that an exec needs to be on the committee in order to communicate to the council.

- Inclusivity: how do we make sure all are included? maybe reflect on it. TDSB has some literature and Lillian to share with us. We feel that we're inclusive and go beyond and are open to recommendations

- We would like to look at recruitment, we've put calls out and find people are unsure about what they can do to help and time commitments

- We could like to put some information in the September welcome package that lists what we do, or maybe do it at the end of the year

- Discussion re parent rep per classroom? Teachers were not fully supportive. It may be misleading on their role. What would their role be? Megan would like to gather more emails. 3 people on communication team and have Instagram/FB and twitter.

- discussion re how to get parents involved - Lillian will send an email at the start of year about school council that includes Council has our own communication for fundraising, advocacy and stay involved, please click link and sign up for their email. We can use school connect for this.

- Lillian suggested that she will do it now using Fun Fair by asking if they had a good time and asking them to stay connected. 170 emails now and we can see if we get an increase.

7. 2019-2020 committee election

- Lillian to update the dates and nomination form and send to the exec and give her feedback.

- need to make sure it's available to ALL parents of the current school year 2019/2020

8. Treasurer's Report

- budget: any money that is left to come in will be from Family Fun Fair. We have approx \$17000 in bank. Pizza lunch \$550. field trip, no update yet. We have only paid for 5 classes plus all the kindies. Scientist in the School some outstanding. We were low on the budget for

it. The price went up this year. We had budgeted \$2100 but should have been \$2400. We should have some money left over to spend on the cart.

- We will carry over \$2000 and \$1500 for Ability in Action (to be scheduled for the fall) for a total of \$3500
- 2019/2020 - we will not go in with a surplus - all the red is going to change. we are not doing all the red fundraisers (Magazines, Pumpkin Carving, Fresh from the Farm, Holiday Photos, Movie Nights)
- we will continue to do: Bake Sale Winter (funds for graduation), Winter Chocolate, Direct Funding, Dance-a-thon, Healthy Families Night, PNO, Online Auction, Easter Chocolates, Bake Sale Spring (funds for graduation), Family Fun Fair and Pizza lunches
- looking to switch dance-a-thon to halloween, discussing logistics re BAS event and all the halloween stuff. Suggested that we do it Nov 1 instead.
- PNO will be at The Grover again - great free venue!
- We will have an online auction goal of \$8000
- We added Easter chocolate sales again
- Expenses - we will NOT pay for movie night, jewelry club (or cost to the kids), field trip support, only do 2 prologue plays, we will continue to spend min \$1000 on tech upgrades, continue to support cross country/track and field buses, skating, lowered special request funds as it's not being used. arts/wellness \$1500 for ability in action. graduation expenses are solely being funded by bake sale profits. no more volunteer appreciation meeting.
- Deirdre moved to approve the budget, Kate seconded

9. Other Updates

- bulletin board got broken - Megan can we put up cameras? no. An insurance claim has gone in.
- volunteer appreciation got cancelled.
- last snack will be June 21
- Teacher lunch will be June 17

10. Teachers Report

- June 12 - grad 6 grad trip
- June 18 - grade 1-3 run jump throw
- parents to get invitation to an appreciation breakfast, card from teachers and made by Bev
- Thanks to Lillian and the parents for their hard work and all that we do.

11. Principal's Report

- Teacher assignment will go out in a newsletter although it's subject to change
- June report card will have room number on it only, not teacher names
- working with teachers on class lists, lots of things to consider is who works well with who. balanced classrooms is the goal.
- time tables worked out so that grade 4's Kimberley and BAS will do French together. Maya will teach French and Stephanie McNaught will take the grade 3's during that time
- 23 grade 4's, 21 grade 3's
- proposal to get a small chrome book cart for special ed students only. will stay in room 202.
- Very happy with the butterfly project and how it all came together. very positive impact on the school, good vibe.
- been a very smooth year

- thank you to all, very respectful interaction with everyone. Thank you for a successful year
- Lillian hired 1 teacher and waiting on one ECE - if all students that are registered show up in September will need a 4th kindie class. She will move BAS to portable and media upstairs. They have cleared out part of room 101 for this class. Music will stay in portable.
- Lillian hired a .5 position for special ed, she's very experienced
- Connie is retiring

12. Other - Megan thank you to everyone and the parents that attended the meetings.