

School Council Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, November 21, 2023 @ 5:00pm

Present:

Chris Harding
Rhonda Cail
Jenn Ealey
Courtney Sparks
Michelle Dehnke
David Bopp

Trinket Sale

Volunteers needed

- Michelle has lined some up already (Amanda Regibald, Ashley Butland, Allie Waag)
 - *mentioned Allie Waag wants to attend council meetings but is not on the email list
- ~ Michelle has started collecting donations, has a line on gift bag donations
- ~ School will begin accepting donations on Dec 1st (extras will be kept for next year)
- ~ Grade 8's will help with shopping and wrapping (Michelle will put together a schedule for wrapping)
- ~ Shopping will take place on Wed., Dec 20th and Thurs., Dec 21st from 9:30am-3:00pm (not on the nutrition breaks)
(Fri., Dec 22 will be a back up for possible inclement weather)
- * Keep in mind the 22nd will also be the school assembly with the band playing, potential for caroling to occur every day but will be shorter assemblies.

Primary will shop on the 20th, including the 3/4 class.

Grades 4-8 on the 21st

* There will be a teacher sign up sheet

- * Classes will make tags
- * Leadership will set up the afternoon before, scissors will be provided
- * Michelle questioned - if there is a 'soft limit' for gifts, and can we sell treats to raise extra money - Chris wants the focus to stay on Candy Grams which will be taking place
- * Priority placed on primary students

Information will be provided at the next staff meeting.

Today was day 1 of Peter Pan performances at Kings Wharf theater. Next group goes tomorrow.

Popcorn sales helping with the price of Peter Pan tickets; would have been about \$25 without fundraising

- * Conscious of fees, trips, fundraising - keep equity in mind, how much/often the school is requesting money

Chocolate bar sales - Intermediates will be selling at home

Just over \$3000 profit from cookie sales!

Cookies come in Nov 22nd

Pizza kits closer to Family Day, another on set for May long weekend. Same format as last year.

- Chris/ Michelle/ students run pick up
- Get leadership team to label pizza kits
- Michelle will email information

Spring - Freezie Friday (after March Break)

- Students eat in front hallway

Question from Michelle regarding any other potential options (instead of popcorn).

David suggested a 'Pay it Forward' program where students could buy for others.

On The Move Committee

Road work

Spring - KFC to 93 construction

- Same crew as previously, good to work with/ accommodating
- Hoping not to do in front of school until July

Chip problems have been reported in crosswalks in community. Yonge St has been okay so far.

School Facility

Time frame to paint gym floors, lines, etc

- Has to work around community partners (YMCA, Waves basketball, etc)
- Will look like Friday - Monday (Friday - paint, Sat - seal, Sun/Mon - dry)
- Wait until lots of snow outside so classes can easily go out for gym

Some paving may have to be done.

Qualify for Eco Schools (looking at green waste collection, new bins (locking) to avoid mouse issues. Will need to be collected and cleaned on Fridays.

No Staffing updates. No retirements for December (yet).

More registrations happening. School supports families in 3 neighbouring motels. Some families only stay for a short period of time.

Warm and Cozy program in effect. School puts together packages for Rosewood shelter.

Chris asked David about a potential math night for the school in the spring.

- Talked about improving transition to highschool, possibly speak to current grade 9's
- Address test writing skills, time management
- Focus on learning skills, self- reg over grades/marks

Program to avoid summer learning lag. Parents can sign up.

- Creating a resource page
- Ongoing, not just for summer

Anti-bullying initiative ~ School wide puzzle

Next Meeting - February 20th

- Virtual at 5:00pm
- Rhonda will set up meeting like she did this one
- Will update on the success of pizza kits