

# Ecole Confederation

## Parent Council Meeting

Wednesday January 17th, 2018

6pm – 8pm



REGRETS: \_\_Jennifer Babister, Brian Spivak, Laryn Ringler, Kari Easthope, Sherri Flintoff

- 1 - Welcome & Call To Order
- 2 - Declaration of Conflict of Interest
  - Kristin, Kristal, Laura, Greg
- 3 - Approval of Minutes from Previous Meeting
  - Motioned: Kathleen, 2<sup>nd</sup>: Beth
- 4 – Additions to January 17th Agenda for Discussion
  - No
- 5 - Treasurer's Report
  - Donations \$439.00 – online cash
  - Grand Wellness \$250.00 – not in account yet (at Board)
  - General Fundraising \$4599.22 – bus allowance already out
  - Hot Lunches \$7522.35 – still Feb. pizza \$ to come out
  - Motioned: Kathleen, 2<sup>nd</sup>: Jenn H.
- 6 - Correspondence (School Council Mailbox or Other)
  - No
- 7 – Fundraising Committee
  - Active/Completed Campaigns

-Update on Gift Card Fundraiser (Althea): \$167.00, \$0.83 held back. \$100 comes off so, \$67.00 ours. Idea of a monthly/quarterly draw for the first year (based on how much you bought that month). We can decide when to withdraw the earnings.

-QSP Update (Bethan): Received 2 cheques \$568.61 mid Dec. (15<sup>th</sup>), \$858.45 on Dec. 30<sup>th</sup>. Maybe advertise earlier this year – set the cutoff date earlier? Some items sold out and swapped for others.

-Harvey's Night – (Greg): Over \$836.80 this year. Don't have exact amount yet. Much better than previous years. Money put towards the swim program. Wanting to organize another for this year yet. Maybe have the timing start earlier? Office people? Plan another for February.

-Holiday Cupcakes – (Kari): 388 cupcakes sold - \$350 made after Kari's expenses. Kari not doing again, maybe look into Sobeys, etc.

- Online Donations – (Andrea): Donations \$439.00 – online cash. Can suggest an online donation in place of contributing to a fundraiser.
- Grand Wellness Centre (Kathleen): Jola said that other schools did better than ours. We earned \$50 and she donated the other \$200 to make the \$250 donation.

#### Planned Campaigns

-Rossini Lodge Update (Kathleen): only do a few nights a year and open to everyone, not closed to school only. Only 250 tickets. Wouldn't be parent engagement that we are looking for.

-Parent Night Out /Dance/Comedy Night (Kristen): On a Sunday at Club NV – free and hold 500 people. Don't make money on the bar, only on the tickets. Band for \$400/ \$500. Can't sell

liquids. Still waiting to hear back from Yuk Yuks. Preference is the comedy night. Nicole also trying to contact Yuk Yuks.

-Dairy Queen (Greg): no update. Need to pick a date once open again.

-Spiritwear: don't have enough money to place a big order. Could advertise, send the form for people to order. Do same as last year at Carnival – online and paper orders. There were lots of errors last year – possibly one method of ordering – online order. Get one in each size at Carnival to try on and then order online. Ideas are to have every Courage Assembly - you wear your spirit wear or spirit wear Fridays. Andrea will talk to Jenn B about getting sizes. Look into ball caps?

#### 8 – Glenhyrst Committee Update

- Great! Well organized and well done. Had other teachers from another school come to view how it's run for when their school held their own event. Talks of the school choir sing that night for next year?

#### 9 - Parent Council Bylaw Committee Update

-Approval of amended by-laws handed out at previous meeting: Greg sending out an email to have approved

#### 10 – GEPIC Grant Application

-Update: approved for \$200 Welcome To Kindergarten. We donated the drawstring bag, luggage tag, etc. Talk about buying a French book to add to the bags. Need help on Kindergarten Day. One room as a community room – nice to have a school council booth and then we could hand out the bags there. Review the structure of the event but need to keep in mind the 3 after school programs running at that time. Happened in spring last year – this years date to be determined. Idea: having the parents and children in a separate

room so parents can get all the information required while children get used to the school. Would need a sign in system. Some parent feed back for this past year was positive.

11 – Carnaval Event: Friday, Feb. 16<sup>th</sup> at Branlyn. Doors open at 6pm. Band plays from 6:15 – 7:15. Room to be cleared out by 7:30pm. Parents went out and bought the snacks. Althea buying some snacks. Committee needed. Andrea will make a sign up for staff and we will fill any remaining spots.

- In school Carnaval: Friday, Feb. 26<sup>th</sup> – parent volunteers needed for hot chocolate and for school council to sponsor again. Should have enough cups and hot chocolate left over. Run twice through out the day, half the school each time. Shannon can do the morning, Jenn H. afternoon, Greg and Kathleen can do all day.

12 – Teacher Luncheon – used Farm Boy last year. Had an issue with payment (\$800) as they do not take a cheque. Check into whether they have changed their policy since. 38 teachers and 2 admin, etc. 44 people. Date: Wed. Feb. 28<sup>th</sup>. Will need 10 people to help out with yard duty for 40 mins, 2 shifts each. Committee: Jenn H, Althea, Greg, Kristal, Shannon, Kathleen.

13 – Principals Report

- Basketball practices have started for all 3 teams (Gr. 4-8) with tournaments Jan. 25 (Jr.), Jan. 26 (Sr. Girls) Jan. 29 (Sr. Boys)
- Snack program approved plus \$1000 Metro Green Apple Grant: From Brant Food For Thought – Andrea meeting on Monday, Jan. 23<sup>rd</sup> on how to start the new program up. Partnership with the nurse from the health unit.
- Gr. 2 to App's Mill: tomorrow and Friday.
- Student Council Decade Day on Friday.

- Skating for all classes Gr. 1-8 coming up in Feb and March. MUST have the appropriate helmet.
- Kindergarten Registration open until Feb. 9<sup>th</sup> by appointment- lots of interest. Last count on Monday was close to 60 appointments and there are more calls everyday. It's still lottery, unless a sibling is currently in the school: they will be grandfathered in. No new out of area acceptances will be taken. Families will be informed by the end of Feb. if they have been accepted or not. There is a cap for Grade 1 students this coming year as well as it impacts on staffing.
- Term 1 report cards go home Feb. 15<sup>th</sup>.
- Sue Lefebvre in at main office, covering for Michele: Sue here until the end of Feb. Custodian John \_\_\_\_\_ moved to another position. Temporary fill in right now and interviewing for the full time position soon.
- Carnaval: Bal masque on Feb. 16<sup>th</sup> and Outdoor Activity day on Friday, February 23<sup>rd</sup> (need volunteers for Hot Chocolate): See above.
- 150 Photos: 4 available to school council - \$15 each.

Next Meeting Will Be Held On Feb. 21, 2018 at

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