

Mattie McCullough School Council Nov 21, 2024

1. Call to Order: 6:33pm

In attendance: La Keria Clayton, Chloe Cashen, Kelsey Hanson (meeting recorder), Deanne Good (Principal), Kati Ramsden (Vice Principal), Julianne Verboom, Dianne Macauley (Trustee)

2. Approval of October minutes: Motion: Chloe Cashen, Second: Kelsey Hanson
MOTION PASSED
3. Grade Presentation: Grade 2 teachers Claire Botfield-Mohr and Emily Colosimo
 - a. Grade 2 update: Whole grade literacy groups have been started at their reading level. The push for their grade this year is numeracy and number sense. This is for simple addition, subtraction to be well established for grade 3. The new Social Studies curriculum is being piloted by Emily with a lot of more society wide and indigenous culture, and she has been seeing success with this curriculum. Grade two has been doing collaborative process art with all three grade 2 classes, so every kid can feel successful to bring together lots of pieces and tasks to create larger art pieces. Writing celebrations have begun and kids have started presenting to their reading buddies and the hopes of presenting with their parents. Clubhouses were done with their materials as a showcase to their grade 4 buddies.
 - b. Wishlist:
 - i. Privacy screens \$78/case for 22pieces, and looking at 4 cases for \$312 to be prepared for next year's increase in numbers next year. This is to support testing at least 3 times a year, so the classes don't have to move desks apart, and for individual testing throughout the year.
 - ii. Double sided whiteboards \$43.99/class for a total of \$131.97
 - iii. Scrapbooks \$48/class for a total \$144.
 1. Total for all would be approximately \$588
 - c. Parent Association will consider this request in January, as there are many other grades yet to make their requests.
4. Business Arising from Minutes
 - a. ASCE grant - Committee has no updates, tabled to next meeting.
 - b. Discussion around how the presentation in September for the district was not well attended. Options discussed included a money presentation, Joe Media, and how to get parents more involved.

5. New Business

- a. Question around if 20 minute lunches are effective: There is always time given for snacks as needed. The children take on average 5-15 minutes, beyond that the kids become rambunctious. Individual children who aren't eating their lunch can speak to the teacher, or the parent can speak to the teacher to help support them. Deanne notes this is a school by school decision. It has been over a decade since the teachers have had lunch supervisors paid for by the district.

6. Principal's Message. Deanne Good

- a. Kati Ramsden reports: WITS is the new district wide anti-bullying initiative. Walk Away, Ignore, Talk it out, Seek Help. There will be an assembly to roll it out and the newsletter will invite parents to come.
- b. Deanne Good reports: Leadership with grade 5, living land acknowledgement with kids to make reconciliation more tangible. Lots of practice for the christmas concert, and the choir is going to Festival of Trees next year. Grade 5 - 10 of the kids went to leadership day. Grade 5 filled out leadership form, of 90 kids, 58 wanted to do various leadership jobs. Special dress up days have been added to the calendar and will be in the newsletter and already on the calendar on the website.
- c. School photography. This year was Smart, and both are asking about signing a contract for next year. ACTION: Deanne to get Pricing from Smart Photography to compare to Lifetouch
 - i. Smart Photography
 - ii. Lifetouch

7. Dianne Macauley, School Trustee report: Alberta School Board Association, Alberta wide meeting is looking to advocate for funding from the province. Trustees are looking for clarification from the province as to the school facilities being funded, and if that includes ongoing funding for things like utilities, teachers, and other operational costs.

8. City Wide Presentation - Dianne Macauley reports the last presentation on AI was quite helpful, and introduced discussions around how that impacts the schools.

- a. Next meeting Tuesday January 14 at 7pm hosted by Central Services

Next Meeting Wednesday January 15, 2025 at 6:30pm

Close: 7:06pm

Mattie McCullough Parent Association October 24, 2024

1. Call to Order: 7:06pm

In attendance:

Voting Members: La Keria Clayton, Chloe Cashen, Kelsey Hanson (meeting recorder), Deanne Good (Principal), Kati Ramsden (Vice Principal), Julianne Verboom, Dianne Macauley (Trustee)

2. Approval of October Minutes: MOTION: Kelsey Hanson, SECOND Chloe Cashen
MOTION PASSED
3. Business Arising from the Minutes:
 - a. Fundraising with Mabels Labels: No change
 - b. Little Caesars class parties - ACTION Deanne will email with possible dates for the cookie and pizza party Motion \$200 for the pizza party and \$50 for the cookie party.
 - i. MOTION La Keria Clayton, SECOND Kelsey Hanson None opposed: Motion PASSED
 - c. Christmas Fundraisers
 - i. 50/50 will be set at 1 ticket for \$1, 5 tickets for \$4, or 15 tickets for \$10
 - ii. Raffle off "best seat in the house" 5 packages available for your immediate household.
 1. First front row is 5 - may not be the best
 2. Second row is 7
 3. Third row is 8
 4. \$5/draw
 - iii. ACTION Kelsey to apply for the two licences once the online portal is set up
 - iv. Using Zeffy online platform for the raffle and 50/50. Discussion around this being a good option so no counting of cash, and can do this weeks ahead of time. This is a good option as they do not take a cut from registered charities.
 1. Chloe to email the bank to ask about deposit rules
 2. Motion to go ahead with using Zeffy as the platform for the raffle and 50/50 based on banking rules. MOTION Chloe Cashen SECOND Kelsey Hanson Motion, no opposed, Motion PASSED

- d. Christmas Market
 - i. Market information has been sent out in the newsletter. Volunteer sign up is also in the newsletter
- e. Pound It Hip Hop
 - i. for January 20-24, \$2000 + GST 5 day residency with multiple instructors and performance on the 5th day.
 - ii. MOTION: La Keria Clayton SECOND Chloe Cashen, Motion PASSED, none opposed.
 - iii. ACTION: La Keria to confirm with Pound it and provide them Deanne's contact information
- 4. New Business
 - a. Staff Appreciation luncheon
 - b. Store bought platters budget \$300
 - i. MOTION Chloe Cashen, SECOND La Keria Clayton, no opposition, Motion PASSED
- 5. Fundraiser opportunities:
 - a. Big Box fundraiser, a box of 35 cards or so for \$36 with a variety of cards in it. Awaiting to find out when we could do a fundraiser as not to interfere with the read a thon. Tabled to January.
- 6. Treasurer Report:
 - a. Hot Lunch: \$5672.19
 - b. General Funds \$6149.86
 - c. Common shares \$1.28
 - d. Total:

Next Meeting: Wednesday January,15 2024, at 6:30pm after Parent Council meeting

Close: 8:06 pm