

Parent Council Meeting Minutes

Tuesday November 3,2020

Meeting starting at 6:34 pm.

Attendees: Brigitte Tuinder (Chair), Michelle Simms, Kim Byers, Kristin Kopra (Principal), Jenny-Lyn User (Teacher). All members were asked to put their e-mail address in the chat if they were new to the meet.

Review of last year's items; had 2 successful movie nights. All money went to help purchase French books. Purchased gym equipment for the primary/junior gym. Christmas Hamper program was voted to be part of a school council initiative.

Outstanding items from last year; it was brought forward last year to look at getting a cross guard for the back gate. This was sent off and a decision was made that they would not be able to provide a crossing guard as there is not as many children that are crossing the street at that junction. The day that this was assessed on 1-2 children crossed after school. We will bring this forward at the meeting in Jan, if the attendance in school rises back to a normal level.

Treasurers Report that was sent to the school board from last years financials;

Opening Amount \$4153.29

Amounts Raised \$858.72 This included the \$500 from OCDSB and the 2 movie nights

Amount Spent \$2525.80

Closing Amount \$2486.21

Council Elections- positions remain open if anyone is interested in taking on a more active role with Parent Council. The positions are listed below. We did send out an election form last week and we did not have any nominations come forward.

Chair/Co-Chair

Treasurer

Secretary

Principals Report- Please see Principals Report

Questions for Kristin Kopra-

1) with all the renovations being down to the school is the school in a deficient, as over the past years. Kristin did advise that no the school account is not in a deficient and is in the green.

2)how is the ventilation in the school? Kristin responded that they had a company come in and inspect the ventilation in the school as it is an older building. The ventilation is actually pretty good for an old school and is at the board level that is required for COVID

3) If a child needs to be isolated due to COVID, do they have access to school work while at home? Kristin, they do have access and a chrome book can also be provided to the students if they need one to be able to stay on top of all school work.

Teacher's Report- Please see Teacher's Report from Jenny-Lyn Usher

Questions for Jenny-

1) Are you new to Hawthorne Public School and what do you teacher? Jenny is in the kinder classroom but also gives support to ESL and another classroom. This is her second year at Hawthorne.

Christmas Hamper Program- So this year it has some guidelines to follow with COVID. We will be distributing flyers to our neighboring community with two drop off dates of November 22 and November 29 from 1pm-3pm. We will also send flyers home with the students and send off e-mails to OCV parents inviting them to the community drop off. Any items that are being dropped off needs to sit and not be touched for 72 hours. We will place boxes in the classroom as per previous years. Delivery for the Christmas Hampers is set for December 15 and 16 if an extra day is needed.

Outstanding items: Brigitte is to create the flyers to distribute to the community. Kim has volunteered to deliver them to the Southvale area. Brigitte and the kids will distribute to the area surrounding the school. Kristin will create the letters for the community support partners, such as Giant Tiger, Metro and Loblaws as well as Sobey's. Brigitte is going to call Giant Tiger to see what is the best way to submit the letter.

Movie Night- Has been our fundraiser for the past years. Suggestions on how to make this happen this year. We did not have much time to discuss this it will be brought to December's meeting. One thought was to assemble packages for families at home. More to come at December's meeting.

Open Floor- Nothing at this point came forward to bring to the next meeting.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:30pm.