

Parent Council Meeting June 17, 2024

Present: Emilie Stobert, Laura White, Mary Lynn Kary, Jane Gusdal, Candice Elliot, Candace Hagermann

1. Previous minutes- Emily approved minutes from last time from Olivia's copy.
2. Board report- Laura White
 - honoured a student from Outreach for getting an honorable mention for an "honouring spirit award": River Wolfleg
 - Education plan was accepted
 - Fine Arts Fusion Camp was a success
 - Sending to the governance committee and finance committee a proposal to help the board realize how many trustees to have to see if they can run with one less trustee (look at data and at boundaries and such). Proposal presented June 18. Decision about the number of trustees will need to be made by next Dec.
3. Financial Report- Robyn
 - deposited \$210 profit from the movie night.
 - Total at this point: \$7916.86
 - Parents who provided the teacher appreciation lunch donated their contributions instead of using the parent council fund
4. Staff Report-Candice
 - All field trips are done
 - ECS going on a picnic with Parkdale ECS on Wed. June 19, 2024
 - Fun Day tomorrow, June 18, 2024
 - Indigenous Day June 21- whole school is going to Jubilee Park
 - ECS Grad June 25 morning
 - Awards assembly June 25 afternoon
 - Gr. 1 swimming finished (have got in 5 out of 6 lessons due to pool closure)
 - Div 2 Track Meet was a success
 - Elder Lance Scott had a last day of teachings today
 - 7 feather teachings and final project creating own feather and class feather project
5. Principal Report:
 - government announcement: no smart phones, and cell phones, smart watches, ear phones in classrooms starting this fall.
 - We need to put together a new cell phone policy for the division involving students in Div 3 and 4, parents, and staff (Government has stated expectations. Division needs to identify consequences and policy for governing that.)
 - New staff announcement :

- Ryan Norman and Kevin Durston are leaving. Mr. Norman is going to Norwood and Mr. Durston is going to QE.
- Coming to our school as new Gr. 5 teacher: Brittany Smar and new to Gr. 4 is Amanda Pastuzik
- Holly Portas will be leaving Gr. 3 and going back to Saskatchewan
- Kailtyn Bushell is coming back from maternity leave to Gr. 2
- Candice Elliot will be .5 in Gr. 3 and Inclusion Coach for .5
- Jane Gusdal will be staying at Centennial .5 for VP and music and the other .5 Fine Arts Lead in division
- Sam Koops will be .5 ECS still and now also .5 Gr 3
- We will have 4 general EA's and 14 EA's altogether including JP EA's
- Mary Lynn will send out the complete staffing list for next year to Centennial School families this week
- Supply lists are now available on the website

6. Next Year:

- parent council set up a table at our beginning of the year family BBQ Sept 12 for recruiting parents (hoping to hold BBQ outside with first ½ hour in the classrooms to meet teachers and see child's space)
- Encourage parents with sign up options: on parent council attending meetings and like an auxiliary council helping out with different fundraisers
- Oct. 9 is picture day next fall
- School starts after the long weekend for the students
- Staggered entry with ½ the students on the first day and ½ the students on the next day.
- Mary Lynn budgeted for Gr. 1,2, and 3 swimming lessons next year
- More assemblies next year
- Piano teacher will be coming to the school next year to teach piano during school
- Longer school day next year with a longer lunch and recess