

Parent Council Meeting Jan. 20

In attendance: Emilie Stobert, Laura White, Robyn Staffen, Olivia Friesen, Brittany Fisher, Candice Elliot, Mary Lynn Kary, Jane Gusdal

1. Emilie approved the last meeting's minutes
2. Trustee Report: meeting Jan. 8
 - Passed cell phone policy
 - All AP's being reviewed and updated and all are available on the WRPS website
 - Board Meetings are always online
 - Laura complimented the school on the Christmas Concert
 - The food and baskets and such were great additions and the atmosphere was wonderful
3. Treasurer's Report
 - Christmas Concert fundraiser made \$435 on the baskets and on the food \$135
 - \$8484.36 is in the account
 - Robyn called about the process for closing the account
 - Robyn made a motion that the Centennial Parent Council account be closed at CIBC and funds be donated to Centennial School. The funds will be placed in the School Generated Funds account under the Parent Advisory line.
 - Emilie seconded it and all in favour.
 - Emilie will go with Robyn to close it
 - All money from fundraising activities will be counted and verified by another person and then deposited into the School Generated Funds Account through the school.
 - Moving forward, submit receipts to the Admin assistant, and then parent council members will be reimbursed
 - Each month, Mary Lynn will share the amount in the Parent Advisory line in the School Generated Funds account at parent advisory meetings
4. Staff Report
 - Ecs/Gr. 1: The new transition has been smooth. Gr. 1 love their new space and all have made new friends. They are learning about winter animals and science fiction. They are learning addition and subtraction in real-life situations
 - Gr. ½: combined class going well. Routines established. The Gr. 2s have taken on leadership roles while Gr.1's enjoy hearing what the Gr. 2s are learning. Gr. 1s are doing simple addition and Gr. 2s are doing double digit addition.
 - Gr. 3 Mrs. Koops is now at our school on Mondays/Wednesdays. Mrs. Elliot is in the class for the other 3 days (different from the 4-day rotation). Skating is finishing up and then they start swimming on Jan. 25. They are continuing to fundraise for gymnastics. Have done rootbeer float and potato chip fundraisers.

They are starting Empowering Writers and UFLI is still the main phonetic program. Working on fact fluency with fidget spinners. They have completed statistics and data and have started fractions.

- Gr. 4: Also finished up skating this week. The students have loved this program and have built confidence
- Gr. 5 doing 3 by 2 digit multiplication, and 2 by 2 digit multiplication standard algorithm, coordinate geometry, multiplication and division practice. IN LA still working on REWARDS literacy program, opinion writing, author's purpose, research project, nonfiction comprehension, figurative language review, and vocabulary lessons. In SS, they have completed physical geography of Canada, and now onto histories and stories of the ways of life in Canada. They have worked the geographic regions of Canada and completed a National Park project. In Science, they have almost completed the energy unit with renewable and nonrenewable resources next. They have learned flight with the forces of flight and buoyancy.
- Gr. 5-6 are going the Reynolds Museum

5. Principal's Report

- Gr. 4/5/6 are going to a Basketball tournament next week. We are hosting Gr. 5-6 Boys from Norwood and Parkdale
- The Gr. 4/5/6 kids have been practicing at lunch recess
- Floor hockey will be the next intramural activity and tournament. Track and Field will be next
- Mary Lynn presented to the board about Flexible Learning Environments happening at Centennial - Choices at recess and learning spaces
- We have 114 students enrolled
- Showed all parents the 2 calendar choices that will be coming out on a survey for teachers and parents to give feedback on
- The Learn-to-Skate program has been a huge success and helped with our attendance
- The divisional choir for grade 5-6 started last week. Students are excited. These opportunities bring students experiences they may not normally have access to.

6. Old Business

- Thank you to Bonnie Dickau for all of the help with the parent council at the Christmas Concert
- Asked about where the division is at on the data breach of Power School. No new news and all seems to be contained. Laura let us know that having the health and safety lessons that staff does and the 2-factor authentication and such has our division rated as an A+

7. New Business

- Parent Council would like to direct \$3500 toward the expenses for Ester Wildcat, the elder, to come twice a month to Centennial to work with all classes
- Parent Council would also like to direct \$1300 + \$65 GST toward Hoola Hoop Circus (Amanda Panda)