

DCS Parent Council Meeting  
Tuesday April 4<sup>th</sup> 2023 – 6:00p.m.  
~ Meeting Minutes ~

**Attendance:**

Sue Byers, Kelly Ireton, Jessica Richmond, Melanie Shaw, Angela Bontes, Ashley James, Carrie Hopper

**1. Welcome and Introductions**

Kelly Ireton welcomed the group.

**2. Agenda and Minutes Revisions and Approval**

Motion to approve Agenda and Minutes approved by Kelly Ireton; seconded by Jessica Richmond; carried.

**3. Chair / Co-Chair Report and Correspondence**

• **MacMillian's Delivery Success**

- The delivery was very well organized. Just one mishap of one wrong product shipped. They are shipping the correct item next month when they are in the area.

• **First Lottery License funds transfer**

- Lottery and 50/50 funds have been transferred. Left the money for the 50/50 winner as he has not cashed the cheque yet.
- Sue asked to transfer the \$275/teacher and the \$500 for the library funds to general account
- We will transfer \$4000 to the playground account that will put it at \$24,491.72. All PC members approved this. That will then be more than enough to move to next step past the \$22,000 mark. They will then clarify options we want and send structure options.
- At the end of June, we will transfer all money left from the lottery license account to the playground account and close the lottery account. That way we will have some left over to put towards other playground equipment in the future

• **Other**

- Kelly will get tickets for the cooler raffle ordered.
- PC members going to schedule a day to come in and clean out our room off the stage

**4. Principal's Report**

- Kitchen Update – Superintendent came to look at the kitchen, it's not that bad! Stove is ok. Jeremy Hobbs is coming to look – can maybe replace counter tops. New sinks. There is lots to be tossed! Eg. Mugs. We could then put remaining usable items into storage bins with lids to help keep everything clean. Looking at doing a few small things. Won't be a huge overhaul. Can clean PC room out on the stage and toss old stuff and get bins for in there for storing excess kitchen items (mugs, plates etc.). If we get rid of those items all together, another option is renting items if we have an event they are needed for. Thoughts on removing the doors completely off kitchen cabinets? That way more open and visible and easy to keep clean?
- Badminton and hand ball starting. Hand ball tournament with Glen Tay

- 25th/26th of April is a transition meeting at PDCI for grade 6
- Torie taking a very small group of kids to badminton
- Rock & Rings coming June 2nd
- Reached out to cultural advisors to come in and do some dance and music presentations for the school
- June the 4/5/6 class is going swimming
- EQUAO mid May-early June
- Talent show April 24<sup>th</sup>. Tryouts are this Thursday
- Two student ECE's working at our school in the kindergarten room. Mr. Jordan here 5 days a week for this month
- 4/5/6 and the kinders are doing spring/Easter celebration activities.
- Still doing intermurals. Basketball is phasing out. Moving towards badminton
- Walking club is still going strong. If you pick you kids up on a Friday, come early and join them and the walking club.
- Friendship Club has met a few times
- School Improvement and Equity Plan was due yesterday. Will be posted on our school success plan wall
- Still doing our YouFly, Haggerty, math. Shelley is presenting at Principals meeting tomorrow.
- 1 /2 class doing science experiment with maple syrup and ketchup and mustard. A race!
- Michale Fyke will be doing a colouring contest again

## 5. Treasure's Report

### ➤ Current Balances

General Fundraising account: \$17,243.0

Playground account: \$20,491.72

Lottery account: \$1965.55

- MacMillans fundraiser earned \$3,314.0 (wow!), deposited into the general fundraising account
- Proceeds from wood raffle and 50/50 draw (\$4,025.45) was moved into the playground fund from the lottery account
- OSBIE insurance premium paid out of general fundraising account, \$167.40

## 6. Activities and Fundraising

### • Bee Kind Pink Shirts

- Parent Council will be organizing. Angela got some prices on t-shirts. Kelly looked on Pink Shirt website. Prices are comparable.
- Wondering if council should purchase shirts for every student come September (92 shirts approx.) \$6.50/shirt + 3.00 for colour rainbow
- Could we have one day a month for Pink Shirt Day. The Welcomers could organize that?

### • Stone Bench Raffle – Volunteers for Saturday's?

- Seek Approval from the Town of Perth again? Did Stephanie reach out?
- Will reach out to PC members on FB page to see who is available for what Saturdays to sit and sell.

- Metro? Independent? Canadian Tire?
- **Parent and Guardians Appreciation Chocolate**
  - Jess had the idea to get chocolates from Village Treats to send home to parents and guardians around Mother's Day as an appreciation or thank you courtesy of parent council. Would be approx. \$216 and she will confirm that they are peanut free.
- **Spirit Days – Should PC take over the organizing?**
  - Would it be beneficial for Parent Council to take over organizing spirit days as we have not really had any. Sue said thank you but teachers will organize them. Maybe 1 or 2 a month? Suggest to the Welcomers for ideas.
  - Sue said she could be better at putting things on social media for the community to see what has been going on. We have had lots going on in the school and the classrooms, been taking photos, but have not had the time to get things uploaded and posted. Feature Friday's Etc.
- **Tree Tapping and Chick Hatching**
  - We have buckets in the bunker but not put out this year. Kinders are still learning about it with their play area set up in the classroom.
  - Maybe a trip to Temples next year?
  - Have a staff member that is allergic to feathers on chicks so did not hatch. Maybe next year.
- **End of School Field Trips**
  - Did we book Jungle Sport for next year? Would be good to have them come in when we can't have field trips due to lack of bussing. If kids enjoy Rocks & Rings we can have them back as well.
- **U of Ottawa / Queens U mobile Trailer**
  - They have a unit that comes to the school geared towards coding, robotics, 3D printing and more. Projects and presentations. Something for every grade/class. Kelly will look for e-mail. Would be a great thing to look into for next year!
- **Friendship Feast**
  - Move item to next months agenda. Kids will be planting pumpkins to be used within each classroom.
- **Other**
  - Breakfast Club? Will we be having this again? Stopped with COVID, kids don't have a lot of time in the mornings due to busses arriving at the school later. Snack bins are provided to students.
  - Funfair night? End of year BBQ hosted by PC? Water fun night instead of during the day to bring families out to the school. Each teacher could put on an event so all students could participate?

7. **Next Meeting Date:** Tuesday May 2<sup>th</sup> 2023 @ 6:00pm Drummond Learning commons

