

DCS Parent Council Meeting
Tuesday May 2nd 2023 – 6:00p.m.
~ Meeting Minutes ~

Attendance:

Sue Byers, Kelly Ireton, Jessica Richmond, Melanie Shaw, Angela Bontes, Ashley James, Karla Graungaad

1. Welcome and Introductions

Jessica Richmond welcomed the group.

2. Agenda and Minutes Revisions and Approval

Motion to approve Agenda and Minutes approved by Melanie Shaw; seconded by Kelly Ireton; carried.

3. Chair / Co-Chair Report and Correspondence

• **Village Treats P/U May 10th**

- Jess will pick up chocolates from Village Treats and has also made a thank you card to print off and send home with the chocolates going home with students May 11th. Sue will pick up the peanut free chocolate for one family.

• **Payment Options**

- Heather (Financial Assistant) took this up to higher boss. Unfortunately, at this time the tap and pay is a no go. The Board understands another payment method needs to be available but would be 1-5 years before this is available.

• **Bee Kind T-Shirt Options**

- The options PC has decided on have been passed on to Sue for approval. Next step will be to have the kids vote then we can move forward with getting them made for next year.

• **Start Times for Fall 2023**

- As far as Sue knows they will still be the same as now. Nothing has changed yet.

• **“Pizza Week” donation**

- Cheryl from Perth Pizza is willing, if we decide on a week, for one week every pizza that is ordered, she will take \$1-\$2 off of the proceeds and give us that as a donation. She did it with St. John’s not too long ago and said between \$1200-\$1400 was profited. Thoughts on doing this maybe for a week in June?

• **Nathan Jones donations – time to give back!**

- Has donated \$1250 throughout our past raffles. He sits on the PC at St. John’s, and he mentioned to Stacey there is a muffin fundraiser coming up and maybe we could provide some support back. Something to watch for.

• **Other**

- Will maybe pick up some more snacks for the cooler. Valued at \$35 so we have room to add more.
- Michale will advertise the poster for us on her social media

- Jess handed Nancy a \$500 donation from a family towards our play structure this morning. Would be nice to have the students do up a video saying thank you.

4. Principal's Report

- June 2nd Rocks & Rings coming
- Jungle Sport is Very expensive! Sue has asked if we could maybe do three days instead of four as we only have 92 students. \$4250 for 4 days. Toying with the idea of 2 days for us and 2 days for another school to possibly come and use it when it's set up. Teachers agreed that a time frame of Nov.13-Dec.22 would be best to have them in. Jungle Sport also wants a \$1000 deposit. Sue asked if PC would be willing to pay that.
- June 12 is Tack and Field at PDCI for the top three from each grade (3-6) that qualify to go. Will have our own Track and Field events here possibly during gym class.
- PC area on the stage is fully cleaned out. Kayla and Sue went though it all
- Design and Construction came in to the school to walk around inside and outside. All construction projects are organized a year in advance. They feel our windows are ok but a few with wood frames are to be replaced in the staff room, sensory room and kitchen next year. Screen to be made/provided for windows. Carpet in the sensory room to possibly be removed. Nothing major to be fixed. They preferer we do not remove the cabinet doors in the kitchen. New counter top and paint cabinets. School will supply bins for in the cabinets. Get rid of the dishes. Clean off the counter tops and put any food into the cabinets to free up more counter space.
- We are on to Step 6 for the play structure. Finance department has recommended advancement on the project because we are already at \$24,000. Design and Construction that was here will assign a project manager to proceed to the next step. Once that happens, they can take our suggestions of what we want, reach out to the vendors and send us what the vendors provide and we can choose. Our trustee has been telling them how hard PC has been working. Sue will reach out weekly to keep letting them know how egger we are to see the designs and keep this rolling!
- We have gone up a class for next year.
 - JK/SK - 24 students
 - 1/2 - 16 students
 - 2/3 – 16 students
 - 3/4 – 16 students
 - 5/6 – 20 students

We have a few vacancies. The 3/4 is going to be new. It's posted. We also have a .5 which is going to be .3 Special Education and .2 Planning vacant. Our 5/6teacher, Shelley Murphy, is leaving to a new wonderful position with the board. Her home base will be here still. We have a 5/6 opening as well. Kate Gover will be on MAT leave. Lots of new staff next year. We will not know until probably August. Lisa, Torie, and Carrie will still be here.
- New Superintendent. Marsha McNair.
- Ordered furniture for the classroom for the Real-World Learning.
- From the fundraising for new gym equipment have some stuff purchased. New chains for basketball nets etc. Still have lots available for more purchases.
- Bee Leavers moving on ceremony is June 23
- Are a few class trips planned for the end of the year.

5. Treasure's Report

- Current Balances:
General account: \$35,091.63 of that the Playground account: \$24,491.72
- Discretionary funds have been removed (classroom, teacher and library)

6. Activities and Fundraising

• Summer Raffle Kick off

- This Saturday, May 6, Jess and Stacey are off to the Homesteading Conference to sit and sell tickets. They waved the table fee we just have to provide seeds
- Shaw's Dance Recital June 1st and 2nd to sit and sell. Kelly, Ash, Angela could probably sit and sell.
- Stacey suggested handing out flyers in mailboxes in the community.

• Swimming for graded 1-6

- This is the time of year we usually book for next year. It needs to be 3 grades at once otherwise bussing is too expensive. Currently looking into ways to make this happen. Hopefully it's a go for some classes. For grade 3, looking into the swim to survive program.

• Book Jungle Sport for 2023/2024 school year

- ***see Principal's Report***

• Teacher Spread for June

- Sue suggested we have been doing so much this year, it's not necessary

• Spirit Day for May

- Dress as your Future Career Day is tomorrow, May 3

7. Next Meeting Date: Tuesday June 6th 2023 @ 6:00pm Drummond Learning commons