

CCPS SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING

April 24, 2017

Present: Kendra Mihell, Tammi Principi, Erin Holloway, Tiffany Sutton Taylor, Katrina Nadeau, Debbie MacKinnon, Sean Dempsey, Laurie Eastman, Bob Conlin

Regrets: Mimi Wiseman, Tracey Antonioni, Mike Thompson, Mike Creasey

1. Proposed agenda was approved.

2. Minutes from the February 13, 2017 meeting were approved.

3. Discussion Items

A. Principal Profile – We reviewed the Principal Profile. No changes or additions were made. Kendra will send it out to other council members who are absent today to review.

B. RDSB is looking into opening our schools to international students. They are looking for homes where these students can live with a local family while attending school. More information can be found at www.canadahomestaynetwork.ca.

4. Information Items

A) Next week is Education Week and our school will be taking part in different activities:

May 1 – Tech Buddies 9:00-10:00am and 21st Century Open house from 3:05-4:30pm where students will be partnering for activities to demonstrate their leaning and practice. Parents and community members are invited to attend.

May 2 – Science North trip for ISP, JK/SK and SK/1 classes.

May 3 – Kindergarten Orientation 5:30-6:30. Students have been putting together a slide show of our activities to play for families attending to showcase our school. Debbie and Tammi will be there to represent council and hand out popcorn which Katrina's class has donated. It will have a label stating "thanks for popping in" on each bag. There will be parent council registration forms on hand for new families who are interested in joining our council next year. Our school has 17 new students registered for the fall!

May 4 – The ISP class will be attending a "black light" performance.

May 1-5 – There will be a staff vs. students badminton tournament held during nutrition breaks throughout the week and our Book Fair will run from Monday to Wednesday, also being open during the Kindergarten Orientation.

B) The calendar for the 2017-2018 school year is available on the RDSB website and highlights have been sent out in the newsletter.

C) Our staffing for the 2017/2018 has been organized as follows:

JK/SK – Mrs. Leveille

SK/1 – Mrs. Larsen

Grade 1/2 – Mrs. Nadeau

Grade 3 – Mrs. Veevers

Grade 4/5 – Mrs. DeLuca Belcourt (who will also teach 6/7 French)

Grade 5/6 – Mrs. Ricci (who will also teach 7/8 French)

Grade 6/7 – Mrs. Labine

Grade 7/8 – Mr. Moxam

Primary Phys. Ed and Grade 6 prep – Mrs. Bischoff

Junior Phys. Ed and Grades 4-6 Science, Social Studies, Math and ISP prep – Mrs. Coleman

Music – Mrs. Whitehead

Primary ASD – Mrs. MacKenzie

Junior and Intermediate ASD – Mrs. Blais

ISP, Google Classroom and coaching – Mr. Jouppi

5. Mark Your Calendar

- PA Day April 28
- EQAO May 23-30 for grades 3 and 6 - they will write in one hour intervals over the week
- PA Day June 16
- Grade 8 Graduation will be Thursday, June 22
- Grade 7/8 year end trip to Toronto June 26-28
- Awards ceremony June 29 at 1:40pm

6. Other Business

Laurie brought up the issue of a lack of parent preparation for the transgender guest speaker who came to our school today. It was discussed that although notification was sent home prior, it would be nice to have more thorough communication and perhaps some extra information sent home for parents to prepare us for follow-up conversations we may end up having with our children as a result of the presentation. Future events like this could include an information or FAQ sheet for parents given out prior and links to websites offering further information so parents can have an opportunity to further our learning on current issues and be able to answer questions from our children in a meaningful and accurate way. Kendra agreed that this is in area we can definitely improve on in the future.

7. Proposed Agenda Items for Next Meeting

- a. Bingo sign up for September 2, 9, 13, 16, 23, 30 & November 18, 20, 25
- b. Open House September 8, 2017 – pizza and drinks?
- c. Watering flowers summer schedule

Next and last meeting will be Monday, May 15 at 7:00pm in the library.