**CCPS SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING**

**September 10, 2018**

Present: Kendra Mihell, Tammi Principi, Erin Holloway, Mike Thompson, Laurie Eastman, Sean Dempsey, Debbie MacKinnon, Tiffany Sutton Taylor, Tracey Antonioni, Donna Nesseth, Emily Newell, Jessica Newell-Tremblay, Ashley Pine, Jessica Greenough, Mel Douglas

Regrets: Lisa Fletcher, Stephanie Daoust

1. Proposed agenda was approved.

2. Minutes from the May 14, 2018 meeting were approved.

3. Acclamation of new 2018-2019 School Council – everyone present has been acclaimed. Kendra will follow up with other nominations she had previously received and if there are no others interested we will not need to discuss a change our constitution to increase the number of members allowed. We can also include a community representative on the council if anyone is interested.

4. Nomination and Election of School Council Executives results are as follows:

Chair – Sean Dempsey

Vice Chair – Jessica Newell-Trembley

Secretary – Erin Holloway

5. Parent Involvement Money – We had our Open House/Pizza Night last Thursday using part of the $500 from the Ministry to promote parent involvement. We spent $172.89 on pizza and $23.76 on cookies. We still have around $300 left to hold another family function later in the year.

6. Fundraising Initiatives

A) Fresh from the Farm order forms have gone home with students and are due back October 5th. Money raised will support student activities throughout the year.

B) BINGO – all September dates have been filled. Kendra passed around the calendar with our remaining December and March dates. We now have 1:1 technology for all junior and intermediate schools including 20 new Chromebooks thanks to our Bingo funds. The next training date for new volunteers will be September 13th at 6pm at the Sudbury Food Bank on Lorne Street. Kendra will send out further training dates as she receives them. We are always looking for new volunteers. Ashley, Jessica and Donna have offered to help out. Thanks ladies!

C) This year we will sell Little Caesar’s Pizza Kits and Poinsettias to raise money for the grade 7/8 year end trip. The trip will cost approximately $10,000. We have some money banked from last year’s fundraising efforts. Last year we made $655 from the poinsettia fundraiser. We will try to secure NHL tickets to raffle at the Christmas concert again this year. Mrs. Leveille has been collecting items to make a basket to raffle as well. We will also hold our yearly bake sale at the concert which raised $689.05 last year.

7. Information Items

a) Here is a link for parents with information about the current school year at RDSB: <https://www.rainbowschools.a/news/2018-2019-update-quick-links-resources/>

b) We are undergoing many school yard improvements thanks to funding from Vale including new soccer nets, climbing structures and sod for the field. We will not be able to access the field until the spring to allow the new sod time to take root.

c) Our enrollment is down this year, currently sitting at 191. This may bring about changes to staffing and/or classroom configuration. Kendra will keep us posted with any news.

8. Mark Your Calendar

* Winter Clothing Campaign will run from September 10-October 31
* Wear pink for anti-bullying on September 13
* Terry Fox Run will be September 26 at 12:00pm. If you are interested in volunteering, please speak with Mrs. DeLuca Belcourt
* PA Day Friday, September 28
* Picture Day will be September 18

9. Council meeting dates for the remainder of the year will be as follows:

October 15, November 12, January 14, February 11, April 15, May 13

10. Other Business

We are currently not allowed to send in single serve packets of Wow Butter for school lunches as the board policy does not permit any peanut butter, nut butters, or anything that resembles peanut butter.

We discussed the option of changing the way we hold our year end trips for the graduating class which currently alternates between a large trip for all the grade 7s and 8s one year and a smaller trip for the 7s and 8s the next year. We have been alternating years to save money for families, spread out our fundraising efforts, have a large enough group to justify bussing costs, and reduce staffing time needed. No changes have been made for this year but we can revisit this topic in the future.

11. Proposed agenda items for next meeting

1) Fundraising Plan – we will view our current plan discuss other fundraising ideas brought up at tonight’s meeting such as porketta bingo and greeting cards

2) Kendra will give us an update on our enrollment and any changes that will take place

**Next meeting will be Monday, October 15 @ 7:00 in the library.**