

CCPS SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING

September 11, 2017

Present: Kendra Mihell, Tammi Principi, Erin Holloway, Tiffany Sutton Taylor, Sean Dempsey, Mike Thompson, Debbie MacKinnon, Sarah Haywood, Laurie Eastman

1. Proposed agenda was approved.
2. Minutes from the May 15, 2017 meeting were approved.
3. Since there were 15 nominations for School Council, we have not exceeded our maximum so we don't have to vote on membership.
4. Nominations and Elections of School Council Executives were as follows:

Chair – Mimi Wiseman

Vice Chair – Bob Conlin

Secretary – Erin Holloway

5. We hosted our Pizza night/Open House on Thursday, September the 7th. We had 290 free slices of pizza from Toppers so we only spent \$74.25 on beverages and cookies. We still have funds left over from the \$500 Parent Involvement Monies we receive each year to encourage parent involvement in a future school function. Suggestions for future events included a crazy DJ night, Zumba night and family reading night. We will discuss options at a later meeting.

6. Information Items

- A) Our winter clothing campaign will run from September 18 to October 30.
- B) Primary swimming lessons are no longer approved by the board for safety reasons so will have to be discontinued at this time. The board does still support the Swim to Survive program for grade 4 students so we will continue with that program. We will look at other opportunities for community involvement for all grades, perhaps at Walford Manor.
- C) Our enrollment is sitting at 218, which includes 41 students in the JK/SK class.
- D) Our Tim Hortons Camp application has been approved. Grades 6-8 will have the opportunity to attend two leadership focused camping trips to Parry Sound. In between the two trips, they will take part in a project that will work to improve their community and create a positive change. Emphasis will be put on teambuilding, a values contract, goal setting, creating an action plan and problem solving. Activities will include journaling, scrapbooking and campfire among other outdoor activities. Meals will be provided as well as transportation on a coach bus.

7. Fundraising

- Our Fresh from the Farm fundraiser has begun with 40% of sales going towards student activities
- Bingo spots for September have all been filled, but we still need volunteers for November. The sign-up sheet was passed around.
- We will still hold our Poinsettia fundraiser this Christmas with funds raised to go towards the 2018-2019 grade 7/8 trip to Toronto.

8. Mark your Calendar

- Wear pink on Thursday, September 14th
- Terry Fox school run will be September 28th @ 12:00
- Orange Shirt Day will be September 28th to promote dialogue around residential schools
- Picture day will be October 4th
- PA Day September 29th

9. New at CCPS

- Carpets in primary classrooms for small group discussions

- Two new interactive Smart Boards were purchased with Bingo profits. One will be installed in Mrs. Ricci's classroom and the other in the old computer lab which has been converted into a classroom with new tables. Mrs. Tryon will be using this classroom for grade 4-6 prep and grade 8 math.

10. Council meeting dates have been tentatively scheduled as follows:

October 16, November 20, January 22, February 12, April 16 and May 14

11. Proposed agenda items for next meeting:

- 1) Fundraising Plan
- 2) Extra activities to spend parent involvement monies
- 3) Possible partnership with Walford Manor

Next meeting will be Monday, October 16th @ 7:00 in the library.