

Kars on the Rideau School Council Meeting Minutes of May 24, 2016

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 pm.

Present: Kim Cable, Rick Haggar, Robin Churchill, Sonia Williams, Michelle Crogie, Jen Wright, Rowena Pearl, Mike Blois, Shereene de Rosayro, Diane Dey, Bonnie Fiarchuk, Megan Dodge

Regrets: Shauna Carty, Leeanne Van der Burgt, Denise St Jules, Pam Sully, Steve Montero, Jenn Mercer

Guest Speaker: Emma Kinnaird

Emma Kinnaird, ECE in JK did a demonstration on the light tables that were purchased. Also Council passed on a thank you to the Deys who constructed them for us.

Chair Report

This is last official business meeting and will discuss what group wants to do for year-end.

Treasurer Report

The Used Book Sale made about \$500 more this year. Cheese rebate money from St Albert's did arrive. Winding down for the year. A few last minute items to go over in June with final receipts to come in.

Principal Report

Rick thanked school council for a great year. He will share next year's calendar soon. BBQ meetings are underway and handouts will be starting to go home to parents this week. Scholastic Book Fair will take place this year. Rick has 4 volunteers. Book Fair will happen for 3 days and also take place during the Year End BBQ. Graduation committee activities also going well.

Next year the school is moving back to Mon-Fri schedule.

Current Business:

- a) Approval of April Minutes.
 MOTION to accept minutes as published: Motion made by Shereene.
 1st Rowena, 2nd Steve Montero Motion PASSED
- b) Monthly Funding Requests Needed to upgrade the Survey Monkey online package to accommodate the lunch survey results received.
 MOTION to reimburse Chair \$30 for subscription upgrade: Motion made by Shereene.
 1st Diane, 2nd Steve Montero Motion PASSED
- c) June Meeting/Party: Paula has offered her house for a year-end pool party. Tuesday June 21st anytime after 6.
- d) September Planning:
 - Volunteer Planning/Form Library & Lunch Support: Should we add non-council events on the volunteer request form in September? Council felt that was good idea
 - **Parent Workshops on Learning, PRO** (Parents Reaching Out Grant): Proposal is due end of week. Proposal will be submitted and decision later on final topic and presenter.
 - **Council Event Dates**: Went over list that council proposed. Dance a thon November, Scholastic Book Fair – June? Diane had shared with Kim some ideas around order-based drive. Rick, Paula and Kim will talk further to confirm some dates.
 - Facebook Page To revisit in September

Coordinator Updates

Teacher Representatives

Sonia applied for the Marjorie Loughrey Grant for the stained glass <u>next</u> year. MASC grant will need to be applied for in the fall. The DVD Helping Children with Anxiety is on the way. Mike Blois will stay on and would like to try and find another teacher for 2016-2017.

Sonia also spoke about the short-term rural grant that we can now apply for under MASC (for a one day performance).

Sonia will be retiring shortly and is looking for a replacement as School Council Rep for next year. She will pass on the MASC and other grant info she has been taking care of for us to date.

Hot Lunches/ Book & Bake Sale

Lunch Survey Results and Plans – overall parents are very satisfied with lunch program. 150 responses. Biggest ask was for more hot lunch days. Pasta was the least favourite. Megan brought some samples from The Red Dot. Council decided on:

- First Term: pizza, mac and cheese, subway, chicken fingers
- Second Term: pizza, wraps, subway, mac n cheese

Kim to send out details on prices we are proposing for each meal in 2016-17.

End of Year BBQ

Council will host a Used Book Sale Table resulting from some children's books leftover from the Used Book Sale. Should not conflict with Scholastic Book Fair. Will set up outside.

Greening Committee

May 27th, Bonnie will do a gardening day. Mulching will be a day in June perhaps with the students. Year-end is Aug 31 for Bonnie to spend money for this school year.

Research and Funding

Will submit PRO grant as discussed above.

Gr. 8 Grad Update

Parent receipts beginning to come in but student fundraising is so far covering most expenses. Jenn reports that everything will come in at or under budget. Still plans for Council to fund DJ.

Staff Luncheon

Kim is coordinating the Pot Luck Luncheon this June 10th (A PA day) with Robin and Michelle C. Kim has drafted an email asking for food sign-up and will send out to Council soon.

Website

Leeanne is proposing to create a "New Parent" feature on website. It will list things that are good for new parents to the school to know. Maybe a top ten list? Intended to be light and humourous. Some input has been received requesting Council assist new parents who don't have a history at KOTR.

Other Business

Volunteer Breakfast June 15th @ 7am

The meeting adjourned at 9:00 pm.

The next meeting will take place on June 21, 2016. (Look for details soon).