

CES School Council
Wednesday, October 3, 2018

Attendance: Katie Harris, Chrissy Berard, Krista White, Krista Benoit, Lisa Metcalfe, Janice Graham, Bob Rodgers, Tracy Wasylucha, Lindsay Sinclair, Liz Grace, Cindy Edmundson, Norma Lang

Call to order: 6:45pm

Chair: Krista White

Secretary: Janice Graham

Review and approval of previous minutes.

Motion to accept by: Krista Benoit

Seconded by: Chrissy Berard

Vote: Carried.

Review and approval of agenda.

Motion to accept by: Liz Grace

Seconded by: Chrissy Berard

Vote: Carried.

Reports:

- Chair: Krista White
 - Welcome and introductions
 - School (Parent) Council Role within the school. School council (created under the School Act) represents the parents of the school community and provides an opportunity to provide input in various school initiatives. Sharing of information and input into school events and activities is an important role of council members.
 - Fundraising- Whoo's Crew is a parent fundraising society and operates as an independent organization, under the authority of the societies act. The School Council is governed under the School Act and is in direct consultation with the school. The School Council *can* do fundraising, but does not typically take on fundraising other than the annual Mathathon. Whoo's Crew takes on the majority of fundraising.
 - Meeting Dates for the year are: Nov. 7th, Dec. 5th, Jan. 9th, Feb. 6th, March 6th, April 3rd, May 1st, and June 5th (AGM)
 - Bob moves that the meeting time be changed to a start time of 7pm in the future. Seconded by Cindy.
 - Discussion and vote.
 - Majority vote 8 to 2 to begin at 7pm.

- Treasurer:
 - Liz Grace
 - Nothing to report at this time.
 - Liz will meet with Bob to discuss

- Volunteer Coordinators:
 - Krista Benoit

- Thank you for helping with hot lunch and having the grade 6 students come in was very helpful
 - Created 4 separate roles for volunteer coordinators:
 - Movie night: shopping, advertising
 - MRP: Krista
 - Email account: parent volunteers and contact
 - MRP: Katie
 - Social Media: Facebook page, meeting info
 - MRP: Cindy/ Chrissy
 - Can set it up to moderate all comments and posts
 - Teacher Appreciation
 - MRP: Chrissy/ Cindy
 - MRP will be the lead on each area, but all will help in all areas as applicable
 - Chrissy Berard
 - Cindy Edmundson
 - Katie Harris
 - Christmas movie night tentative date December 13 at 6:30
- Principal: Bob Rodgers
 1. Photo Time!
 - a. Bob would love to have a school council section in his weekly newsletter
 2. Staffing update: Demographics:

.	Kindergarten - 48		
a.	Grade 1 - 47		
b.	Grade 2 - 38		
c.	Grade 3 - 59		
d.	Grade 4 - 48		
e.	Grade 5 - 49	Total	289
3. Work on the 4 year plan for 2019-2023 is underway. At our next School Council meeting we will ask for your input
4. This years SEP (School Education Plan) priorities are:
 - a. Numeracy
 - i. Visible Learning For Mathematics - John Hattie
 - b. Mental Wellness
 - i. MindUp, Friendology, CDA, Growth Mindset
 - ii. Can we send home some information with Friendology language so that parents can use the same vocabulary
 - iii. MindUp info night for parents again?
 - c. Sub Themes: FNMI, CoSL, Differentiation, Literacy
5. Learning Commons
 - a. Grand Opening/ Family Literacy Evening
 - b. Wed, Oct. 10 6:00 - 7:30
6. Parent Portal/My BluePrint
7. Three Way Conferences - Oct. 17th and 18th.
 - . Book Fair also during this time
8. War Amps Presentation Oct 22 at 2pm
9. Christmas Concerts:

- . K-2 Dec 19
- a. 3-5 Dec 20

- Assistant Principal: Lisa Metcalfe
 1. Terry Fox run was a great success. We raised \$813.68
 2. Fire Safety Week - October 22-26 - We will have 2 drills this week with one being an evacuation to alternate location (Community hall) and one will involve the fire department to allow them time to practice their sweep procedures.
 3. Breakfast program is up and running
- a. Dina Bradish's husband has access to fresh food to fill our Snack Attack Fridge
- b. We received a grant to fund our breakfast program as well as receiving bread from Cobbs every three weeks.
- 4. Open Gym with Mrs. Gamble - Monday and Wednesday 8:15-8:30
- Trustee: Norma Lang
 - RVS website has a RTR (real time reporting) document available for parents. <https://www.rockyview.ab.ca/21stC/assessing> or <https://www.rockyview.ab.ca/families/powerschool/RTRParentGuideFall2018.pdf/view> WGM is phasing in this new form of reporting this year
 - 4 Year plan: Theme is Innovators 23. <https://rockyviewschools.chaordix.com/> This will be presented at the November meeting, but Norma is able to take some people to a meeting on October 11.
 - Our division grew at a rate of about 4% this year (approx. 1000 kids)
 - The board has decided to create an opportunity for parents to attend the Alberta School Council Annual Conference in April. <https://www.albertaschoolcouncils.ca/> There has been a fund created to send some parents to this conference. More information to come on how the money will be distributed.
 - November 15th at 5:30pm is the next Joint School Council meeting. <https://www.rockyview.ab.ca/families/schoolcouncilswebportal/schoolcouncilwebportal> One topic presented will be how to best distribute the funds for School Council Conference. Dinner will be served. RSVP to Norma.
 - Legalization of cannabis: RVS has made changes to their Code of Conduct to prohibit use on school property and at school events, subject to discipline procedures.

Old Business: (Items from last meeting):

- Shari will have the report completed for the end of June, Amy will provide the financials. The executive positions will be set at this meeting.
 - Report: <https://docs.google.com/document/d/12Wqf4p6F7xydCYfCYk1qiEUVKc8WCBVZszW3Fa-NoCl/edit?usp=sharing>
 - Financial: <https://docs.google.com/document/d/11nL8p04D-cNnooRUc-ktozxZo-pAYJUdy0Tp6ly0K0/edit?usp=sharing>

- Telus WISE presentation
 - From Wendy McKee, WGM School Council President
 - At the beginning of the year Telus gave a presentation to the students about Internet and Smartphone use, including safety and security for users. It gave many useful tips on how to help keep your family safe online. We thought it would be very informative for parents as well and would like to explore both councils partnering together to present this information to parents. At this late in the school year, we will be tabling it until next but it might be something to keep in mind.

- Flashing crosswalks
 - Councillor Liz Grace approached our council for input on where we might like to see flashing crosswalk signage as they are going to be installing a few more locations throughout town. They were thinking that the 2 crosswalks at the East and West ends of the school grounds on Whitfield Ave would be good locations.
 - Janice will write a proposal to send to Town Council requesting lights be placed at these crosswalks.
 - UPDATE: we now have flashing crosswalks North and Southwest of the school.

New Business:

- Facebook page for Parent Council
 - WGM Murdoch is making one for next door's parent council. Perhaps we could designate a volunteer coordinator to this role
 - Can we add a tab rather than a separate page?
 - Can we put out topics to be discussed at the monthly meetings out on the facebook page or via email so that parents can have an idea of what will be discussed and choose which meetings to attend?
- Town Council has extended an invitation to WGM students to do a Councillor or Mayor for a day. Is there a way that this could fit into the curriculum at CES?

Question Period: (This is a time for questions to the council chair, trustee, or school admin. Advance notice of questions, especially on controversial topics, will help us to provide complete answers. A time limit may be imposed if needed.)

Adjournment:

Moved by: Janice

Seconded by: Liz

Vote: Carried

Adjourn at: 8:15pm

Next meeting: November 7, 2018