

Duke of Cambridge PS, School Council Meeting Minutes

January 15, 2019

In attendance: Tyler Kolodzinski, Sheryl Hunter, Stacy Kumagai-Holland, Jacque Van Londen, Sharie-Ann Campbell, Lisa Ibanez, Ashley Paszt, Cindy Williamson, Samme Mayne-Haslam, Jennifer Jack, Nichole Anderson, Erinne Bennie-Tompkins, Leslie Mountjoy, Randy McNabb, Sean Ibanez

Regrets: Robert Pellerin, Trisha Romano, Donna Adams, Ashley Tyms-Church, Erin Robinson, Jennell West, Shelley Aston, April Keen, Lisa Langley, Sarah Bobka, Tanya Ramsay, Alicia Hebien, Heather Curry, Kristin Shannik,

Call to Order – Stacy Kumagai-Holland

Treasurer's Report

- Reviewed report
- At next meeting will discuss what is earmarked for coming expenses

Principal's Report

New Vice Principal starting on Monday: – Jordie Hofstede-Barker (not french speaking)

Mr. Kolodzinski presented an overview of the KPR Mathematics - Scope and sequencing chart for grades K-12. He was formerly a math itinerant teacher and Math Coach for the Board.

- Scope – the depth of what is taught
- Sequence – the order in which things are taught
- The chart is adopted board wide
 - Allows teachers to see what would have been taught in previous grades and where learning is headed
 - Standard across the board that everyone learns the same things at the same time
- Strategic teaching (will receive handouts via email)
 - Teaching through problem solving
 - Engaging the mathematician
 - Computational fluency
- Portrayal of who is a mathematician in society
 - Focus on making students and teachers feel empowered about doing math and building positive attitudes toward math
- Examples of making math fun and incorporating it at home
 - Estimation vase (online)
 - Headbandz – using regular deck of cards – people holding the cards get the answer for what the two cards multiplied would equal. The people holding the cards then guess what card number they have. Can also use this for addition and subtraction.
- Helping parents support math at home

Carnival – February 11th to February 15th for the whole school.

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- Pancakes and hot chocolate
- Sports day
- Ice skating night
- Generally want to do the same activities as last year
- Will conduct a vote at the next meeting

Regional Council Report

- Edsby is still being supported by the Board and they are looking at ways to teach it to parents
- They may not continue to have the annual conference because of low attendance

Business from Last Meeting

- Shelter/Shades for Kindergarten Yard
 - Two sails in the corner of the yard
 - Seasonal (custodian would have to put up and take down at the end of the season)
 - \$20,000 for the sun shade was motioned and approved by the Council
- Mathletes
 - End of January 2019 and to be booked for 2020.
 - Grades 3-6
 - A family night will be added for next year if possible
 - \$3,600 is the current cost with \$1,300 for the family night if possible. Talked about \$5,000 being earmarked for next year which would cover both mathletes and the family night
 - Council motioned to pay for the Mathletes presentation for this coming January 2019. Approved.
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- Buddy Bench for Jorja
 - Questions asked by council
 - Why kindergarten yard? Snow removal is an issue for the other playground.
 - Was the family involved? Not really, the council wanted to do something to honour her and Tanya Ramsay has been the main contact.
 - Who takes care of the engraving if it is not included in the price? The assumption is that it is Tanya and Chris but this will be discussed at installation.

Committee Reports

- Pizza lunch is doing well
- Boston Pizza and Pita Pit lunches are doing okay, but need something figured out for when it overlaps with the holidays lunch
- Fundraising committee
 - McMillans went fine but not that much school participation
 - Dispute Treasurer's Report on profits (will be clarified for next meeting)
- Holiday Lunch
 - Busing came up to \$600 (may be an issue for next year)
 - Price per plate for next year will rise to \$8/meal

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- Council unsure if we will continue this tradition next year
- Fun Fair
 - Thursday June 6, 2019
 - First meeting will be called soon.

Communication

- Need an avenue to reach parents to communicate with them about what is going on in the school
- Suggest making a list at the start of the year to circulate and that's it
- Using the school's Twitter account more often and other technologies for communication
- Paper copy Newsletter will go out for March
- Presentation during the open house about council and how to connect
- Need more engagement from the teachers if possible
 - Council wants an avenue where teachers may submit directly for proposed funding
 - Need to clarify the process and what information council needs them to include in their requests and how to ensure Administration is part of the process.

Agenda for February 2019 Meeting

- Proposals that need to be submitted.
- Review past requests and new that may be coming.

MOTIONS

1. Accept Treasurer's report
Motion by: Stacy Kumagai-Holland
Passed

2. Sun Shades/Sails – \$20,000 allotted in savings toward the sun shades
Motion by: Stacy Kumagai-Holland
Passed

3. Mathletes – Up to \$3,500 for mathletes 2019
Motion by: Stacy Kumagai-Holland
Passed

Next meeting: February 5, 2019