

## School Council Meeting April 6<sup>th</sup>, 2021

6:30 – 8:00

### **1. Welcome**

- Introductions – Attendees: Christine Patterson, Dianna Wright-Drzazga, Michelle Walbank, Meagan Hawkshaw, Krista Vanzuilekom

### **2. Chair Updates / Information**

- a. Science night coming up April 7th and 8th – got more families interested after the first set of bags were sent out, ended up giving one bag per family at the end to be able to include more families. 40 families = 60 students taking part. Have parent representative at each meeting talk about Bazaar, FundScrip, volunteers for parent council. (Krista Vetter is the Lead from Scientists in Schools)
- b. PIC Meeting – guest speaker from “Making Change” Organization - helping school division bring more awareness to the BLM movement. Their goal is to educate/inform people about what’s going on so they can continue to support the causes.

### **3. Principal’s Report**

- Virtual dance sessions have been happening at the school. Have 3 groups left to go.
- Ministry announcements – schools do not get information prior to the public regarding ministry announcements. If we do end up moving to Virtual Learning again this will be communicated to parents. To ensure we are prepared survey will be sent out tomorrow for families’ technology needs. Will be through School Cash Online this time. We will send home kids’ school supplies etc on Friday of this week.
- Commencement: will go ahead in terms of planning a virtual ceremony. Some will be live with the kids recorded at the school.
- Grade 6s are starting the DARE program. Usually they come into the school for 6-8 week session, This year will be virtual. (End of April)

### **4. Financial Updates**

Activities supported this year through previous year fundraising:

1. Agendas
2. Royal Canadian Poppy Fund
3. Online programs/Apps (A to Z online program)
4. Manipulatives (FDK building materials) Primary – paint sets, organizers for manipulatives.
5. Virtual Performances
  - a. Prologue for the Performing Arts (Cadence, Lazylegz, Sultans of String)

- b. Strange New Days – Gr 4-8
    - c. Black Creek Pioneer Village – Gr 3
  - 6. Ultimate Steps Dance
  - 7. Scientists in Schools – Intermediate
  - 8. Technology – web cameras for online classes/speaker with wireless headset, document cameras
- b. Further activities to support this year
  - i. Classroom Needs \$2254.05 – to support \$100/teacher for classroom supplies.
  - ii. General school needs \$6418.90
    - 1. \$1500 to commencement
    - 2. \$3000 picnic tables (hoping to order them this week)
    - 3. \$100 gift – yearbook coordinator
    - 4. \$1818.90 remaining – to support incidentals
  - iii. Field Trips/Presentations - \$2685.13 – to support remaining virtual field trips

## 5. Sub Committees

### i. Fundraising

a. Fundscrip – need to boost it more. 24 people have signed up for it at this point. We have \$50 available. Allowed to draw the money out 2x/year. Will put out more reminders for Mother’s and Father’s Day.

ii. **Yearbook** – not a lot going on right now, very little artwork to put in it even. No class photos will really change how it looks. May need to do a brainstorming session for ideas. Possible ideas include taking photos of all of the students in their masks to replace the regular school photo pages.

### iii. Bazaar

a. Meeting right after Council meeting

## 6. Old business

- a. Reusable bags – for new parents coming to the school. Michelle has samples. Cloth, .83 cents each/500 with one logo on the front. Come in multiple colors. Likely choose red. Thermal/Foil bags \$2.30 each. Should be enough funds to support the cheaper version this year. Start off giving one back to each family in the school and then just giving it to the new families/Kindergartens. Order in beginning of May, quick order process.

## 7. New Business/ Questions

- a. Memorandum- 2021/22 Calendar year – sent out/ deadline passed for changes.

## 8. Upcoming Council Dates:

Mon. May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 6:30 pm (last meeting)