

Alcona Glen E.S. School Council Minutes

Monday March 5th, 2018 at 18:40

- **Attendance**

- Joanne Long (Co-chair)
- Tina DeLaire (Principal)
- Justin Weller (Vice Principal)
- Janice Breadmore (Community Representative)
- Kathy Hammer (Community Representative)
- Chris Miles (Teachers Representative)
- Jane Nepgen (Secretary)
- Voting members:
 - Jamie Draganac
 - Steph Adams
 - Lisa Waddell
 - Sherry Millar (Non-voting)
 - Tara Filteau-Ghafoori (Non-voting)

APOLOGIES

Jennifer Richardson (co-chair)

Welcome and Introductions

- Ms DeLaire welcomes everyone to the fifth meeting of the 2017/2018 year.

Administration Report

1. Technology purchases – 2 Chrome books were purchased per class. It has been received and distributed to the classrooms. It has Nuzella access to current events which students and teachers can access, and provides the news report. They can access news that is age appropriate.

Training was received for the Google Read and Write. The students will also receive training to be used as a tool in the classrooms. They are exploring the uses of Google Read and Write

2. Teacher training/PD:

Mind-up: The Grades K to 2 have received training and are starting to implement it.

Early Literacy Intervention: Have been practicing and will be implemented soon.

Alex Lawson Developmental math – many teachers attended this personal development.

3. Field trips

Van Gogh will be done for Grads K to 8 the week after the March break. Funds from our fundraising efforts are used for part of this.

Junior Golf – This week it will be presented to the junior grades, where a professional comes in and shows the kids the basics of golfing.

Curling and Dance for Grades 3

Springwater Park for Grade 5

Kandalore Trip – preparing for trip for Grade 7

Ottawa trip for Grade 8

Celebration of Culture at Alcona Glen: Ms DeLaire gives a status update on the proceedings of the Culture events that will take place after she and some of the council members have had a meeting discussing the various events for this evening.

Teacher and classroom participation: They will do a cultural connections map in the classroom and difference forms of art they have explored.

The library will still be available to participate in this event as well.

Treasurer Report

- Current balances: Ms DeLaire shares the balances on profits made.
- No new fundraisers reports, other than the dance-a-thon have been allocated to technology, as well as the sales of the magazines.
- There have been athletics purchases as well.

Review of Last Meeting Minutes

Approved by: Joanne Long

Seconded by: Jane Nepgen

Community Rep Report

- Report from Kathy Hammer:
- Registrations for March break classes opened last Tuesday. The programs are fairly full.
- They will participate in the cultural evening.
- They now have a connect line with the newcomers centre for new immigrants. Any resettling services for newcomers to the area. It connects them to an interpreter and helps with applications for instance Citizenship, which will greatly benefit new immigrants.
- Ms Delaire asked if there is an opportunity for kids to apply for library membership through a representative to help them via the school. It can definitely be done.

Fundraising Report

- We got our Innisfil Christmas for Kids report, back for Alcona. We received a nice thank you letter from them for the fundraiser that we have participated in.
- Chocolate fundraiser – Help needed, a few names need to be confirmed
- March 23rd. To help distribute for the pick up. Someone for 1 – 3 and someone from 3 – 6. Joanne collects the names of volunteers.
- April 6th – The final day where people need to collect the money and leftover chocolate. (at 9:30) going around room classroom to classroom and also the money needs to be collected. The boxes have to have the student's name on to allocate the sales to each child to have a definite plan for collection.
- April 9th – Repacked to send back to Jillian. And to count all the money. If a full box is sold, you can pay online with the cash online function available from the school.

- Jen is supposed to come and collect the forms from the school for the kids wanting to participate in the fundraiser. Jillian would like to the numbers mid week by next week.
- Special Hot lunch in April/May/ June
It will be moved to the next meeting.

Pro-Grant

- Update on the event – Cultural celebration status update.
There will be looked into food trucks being at the event has well.

New Business

1. Jane asked whether it is possible to have student representatives from the school's leadership team, to be part of the school council, and be invited to the council meetings as well. They can provide their insight and also feel part of big decisions regarding them and the school, which will in turn empower them as well. Ms DeLaire confirms that it is a good idea and will be looked into and implemented.
2. Tara presents the council with the petition, which she has discussed with Ms DeLaire to over the phone. The petition is for the turning signal or a crossing guard at the school which will be presented to the Town of Innisfil's council meeting. Ms Delaire says that the school completely supports any ideas that helps with the safety of the kids during drop offs. The Kiss and Ride program seems to be working well. There was a bit of a backlash from some parents that have been reprimanded by the police.

There is a committee that deals with the traffic signs and lights, in the city council. Their meeting will be held on

Wednesday with the confirmation, which will probably be the first Wednesday in April at 7 pm. The school council could send a message on remind as well.

Dismissal

The meeting adjourned at 8:00, thank you to everyone that attended

Upcoming Meetings for 2017/2018

- April 9th
- May 7th
- June 4th