

DJS School Council Meeting

June 8, 2022, 6:00 p.m. (Virtual Via MS Teams)

1. Call to Order and Welcoming Remarks: Donna

Attendees:

Donna Bartlett

Kristy Murray

Lisa Magee

Christine McCaw

Michelene Elias-Bates

Nancy Holman

Kendra Cleroux

Kari Sloan

Regrets:

Lucas Purdy

Elektra Plumley

- Call to order: 6:03 p.m.

2. Review of minutes from last meeting: Donna

- Motion: Donna
- Second: Lisa

3. Treasurer's Report: Nancy, Donna

- Amount in the account is \$5876.17 plus \$500. Now \$9617.30 but believe that needs to be checked.
- Challenge with balance. We don't get a rolling balance. This year, we are getting a lump sum out at the end of the year
- When is the lump sum coming out?
- Nancy will review with Roxanne to review.
- All in one account for management
- School Council has a charge account with Independent

4. Student Report: Kari, Nancy, Andrew

- Students are doing very well
- Older classes helping with younger students and being positive role models
- Example of small victory: apology notes to others for actions.
- Great to see sports back in sports
- Great student leadership and being able to enjoy sports and activities together again
- Example: Track and field day today (Grade 7/8). Great social day for older students. 36 athletes attended

5. Admin Report: Nancy

- Pride month and National Indigenous History Month in June
- We have an equity and inclusion team which is student led by Kianna Hill

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- Types of belonging: dancing, singing, stories, etc.
- Helps raise questions from students
- We have a procedure: Equity and Inclusive Education 454.1. Can be found on the website/online
- #EquityandInclusion and #WeAllBelong
- National Indigenous History Month may be in June but school tries to include information through the whole year (example: puppet show in May and art pieces)
- Library has a section that promotes indigenous books for students
- Spirit of the drum powwow this weekend in Smiths Falls. More on Facebook
- EQAO is digital this year.
 - o Grade 3 completed
 - o Grade 6 in progress and will be completed by June 10
 - o More information at www.eqao.com
- Laptops and desktops very important for all students
- Includes practice tests
- Best move to move to digital. Less stressful for students
- Results might be skewed due to learning curve to digital
- Student supports: Big Brothers Big Sisters – Go Girls and Game On
- Free tutoring before school (8am to 9:15) from June 6-24
- School hosting summer learning at Duncan J
 - o July 4 – 28
- Summer Weather
 - o Ask for students to bring weather appropriate clothing
 - Heat – hat, water bottle, light clothing, sunglasses, sunscreen
 - Rain – Rain boots, jackets, umbrellas
 - o Fans in classroom and use of shade outside
 - o Encourage water hydration
 - o Reduce exertion
- Student leadership is very important. Great for 7/8 students for younger but important for 5/6 to see

6. Teacher Report: Christine

- Teachers are ending school year very busy
- Heggerty package and flash cards are being used very well.
- Heggerty used to Kinders since September until June
- Children need to learn orally and verbally before they can code. They can use rhyming words, sounds of words, final sounds, middle sound, take words and segment to sounds.
- Transfer from oral to writing and reading

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- Journals are done every week
- Students can write under their picture or have it dictated to teacher to explain their picture
- Students get to use elkonin boxes to help with spelling
 - o Start with middle boxes and make a counter
 - o Recognize the sounds and letters
 - o Sharing box with joint sounds (ex: CK sounds like K)
- Heggerty has been a huge addition to the kindergarden curriculum to help them with their learning of words, letters and sounds
- Early year learning partner in today and feedback is that many scores have increased from beginning of the year
- Being able to socialize and be outside together, it's a great experience for all (students/teachers)

7. Fundraising: Donna

- Dillman fundraiser:
 - o 344 units
 - o \$1500.89 profit from fundraiser
- June 21 BBQ
 - o Christine got numbers for food
 - o Fire department confirming fire truck
 - o Fire department to bring bbq
 - o Propane being donated by volunteer firefighter
 - o 171 hot
 - o 219 hamburgers
 - o 18 veggie burgers (not vegan)
 - Need to be cooked before meat
 - o Nancy to look into account
 - o Condiments will be reviewed
 - o Motion:
 - Cost: \$800.00
 - Motion: Donna
 - Second: Kendra

8. Upcoming Events:

- Track/field day – June 8
- Pizza Day – June 17
- BBQ – June 21
- Moving Ceremony – June 23
- Last Day – June 27

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- Free Tutoring support – June 6-24
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- 9. New Business: Donna**
- Support for grade 7/8 field trip
- Other classes are looking to do field trips
- Motion:
 - o \$500 from school council budget
 - Entrance fees
 - Grade 7/8 – Foley Mountain
 - o Motion: Lisa
 - o Second: Donna
- Are we interested in booking fundraiser for next year to have better profit percentage?
 - o Could we book now?
 - o Run it end of Oct/begin Nov
 - o Decide by end of June
- A way to help with nutrition program
 - o Put funds towards the nutrition program
- Bring back Christmas pop up shop for fundraising
 - o Donations accepted
 - o Wrapping paper/tape supplied by us
- School fundraiser with McDonalds
 - o More details required from Andrew
 - o 20% of revenue during a certain timeframe went to the school
- Possible craft show idea for next year

10. Correspondence: Donna, Nancy

- Nothing new for this section

11. Date of next meeting: Donna

- TBD in Sept 2022
 - o Agenda:
 - Fundraisers
 - Christmas Pop up Shop
 - McDonalds
 - Host craft show
 - Little Caesars

Call to end meeting: 7:20 p.m.