



MES & CPS School Council Minutes

Monday, March 5, 2018 * 6:00pm * Moonstone Elementary School Library

Present: Rick Bowman (acting Principal), Kyla Kadlec (VP), Nadia Fitzgerald (Co-Chair), Stacy McIsaac (Co-Chair), Daina Greenwood (Teacher Rep), Julia Lialiuk, Melanie Wheeler, Sue MacMillan, Leanne McCarthy, Rheena

*Kyla to remove Dani Burbank from the email list as they are no longer living in the community.

1) Welcome by Co-Chairs

-Stacy chairing the meeting

2) Review January Meeting Minutes

- Changes to minutes, as per Kyla:

a) Change 'Edgugrooves' to 'Education'

b) Under #6a- change point #6 to 'the pergola at Coldwater has been removed and poles have been painted'

c) Under #6d- change answer to read: 'Some strategies being used to support student conflict are: conferencing, CYW support, supervision, restorative circles, outside agencies, if needed.'

d) Under #6g- strike 'able to pay for this' and change to 'interested in having their child participate'

Motion to accept January Minutes with proposed changes by Kyla

Seconded by Julia

CARRIED

3) A. Principal/VP/Teacher Rep School Updates

Rick Bowman

- Coldwater had a terrific Valentines Day. Daina organized student valentines to be put up around the school with comments. Students enjoyed finding their valentines.

-Moonstone had a successful Movie Night (Ferdinand). Just shy of 200 people attended. Had just enough pizza (probably could have sold 1 more box). Thank you to Julia and Kyla for organizing & parent volunteers who helped at the event.

- Mr Tillman did boys basketball at Coldwater. Kids had fun.

-Coldwater girls volleyball has a fun tournament coming up & co-ed tryouts are starting

- Coldwater Chess Team did well. Had the top Junior student in last tournament & our Senior was in the top 5.

-Math Olympics were held today- team did well.

Kyla Kadlec

-Gifted students attended a debate at SCDSB. Questions were very in depth and students handled it very well.

- Pancake Tuesday was held at Moonstone. Thanks to volunteer parents who ran it & Mrs Williams husband who provided the maple syrup.

- 100th Day activities were held at both schools. Was very fun & engaging for students.

-Coming up:

a) Spirit Days: St Patrick's Day (Mar 9), Sports Day (Mar 29)

b) Assembly (Mar 29)

c) Robotics Competition @ SCDSB (Mar 29)

d) Gr 4 Outdoor Education (Mar 6)

e) Gr 5 Outdoor Education (Mar 26)

f) Learning Centre Student Bowling

g) OPP at Coldwater re: Cyberbullying/sexting (Mar 6)

h) Coldwater attending Wizard of Oz play (Mar 7)

i) Swim to Survive (both schools- date TBA)

j) Grade 6-8 Ski Day @ Mt St Louis (Mar 8)

k) Coldwater Wrestling starting (practice T/Th)

l) Gr 7 trip to Brock U cancelled

m) Public nurse being re-booked to train the 'Can you Feel It' program with gr 5-8 teachers

- 13-15 Teachers have been attending First Aid Training course on Tuesdays. Almost completed.

Daina Greenwood

- she has been organizing a math collaboration with teachers to assess student work and create strategies and plans for next steps

B. Construction/Repair Plans

Paid for by SCDSB

Moonstone:

- building an accessible washroom

- repairing concrete around exterior of school

- revamping parking lot- paving where needed and more parking placed at side of school

-Fencing/gates will be installed to block off parking lot from school grounds

Coldwater:

- making a washroom accessible

- looked into cost of adding a fold-up stage- estimate is \$49,000. Question asked if we have a lot of money left in bank, is this something that can be purchased. Kyla & Rick meeting with accountant Mar 19 & will be able to tell us where the account sits. We have currently been spending on school/teacher/student needs. Other ideas are: basketball court @ Coldwater for

older students, speakers for Moonstone, Trees for shade @ Coldwater (Kyla suggested this would be a lengthy process to undertake)

4) A. Spring Fling (Coldwater)

- Kyla addressed rumours that it was not happening & doesn't know where this is coming from- not true
- Suggested a sub-committee is needed to organize. Stacy Foster, Reena Stagg & Stefanie Smith volunteered.
- other volunteers will be needed
- need to approach Lions Club re: BBQ
- games, events, Zoo to You, Bouncy Castles
- June 13th suggested date for event
- Daina will talk to senior students re: helping to run event day of
- Need adults at Bouncy Castle
- Sue said it is a 5-day notice to get money from float, but some places will invoice the school
- Meat was purchased at M&M Meat Shop
- Only make 3-5 raffle baskets this year (Jr. Intermediate, Senior each have a theme for items)

Spring Play day (Moonstone)

- Kyla said it will happen & we will discuss later
- Primary classes from Coldwater will be bussed to Moonstone

B. Mental Health /Education Week

- First week of May is Education Week- do we want to plan an event?
 - We may have been given \$1000 for a ProGrant. Kyla to talk to Colleen to figure it out.
 - Application for 2019 ProGrant now open. Need to have a specific use to apply.
 - Need to pick a date for Groove Education- how will we get parents involved..maybe incorporate it into the Spring Fling. Kyla will contact Amy to see if available June 13.
 - Do we want to host Mental Health evening? Can ask outside agencies to participate/booths.
- **Everyone think of ideas & email Co-chairs, Rick & Kyla.****

C. School Generated Fund Allocation

- i) -100th Day activities- school purchased treats from Foodland.
 - Need to decide where money comes from

Motion for Principal/VP to be able to access student generated funds to make small purchases for special school-related activities by Kyla

Seconded by Stacy

CARRIED

- ii) -Need to review & consolidate accounting categories
 - Kyla, Rick & Sue to look at it with accountant & suggest how to re-organize the categories
 - Notes from meeting with Accountant to be brought to next Council meeting

5) Other Business

Bussing for Grade 8 Trip

- Can this be paid for by school since it was previously stated that students would not pay for bussing this year? Rick will speak to accountant re: this since parents have already paid these fees directly to the tour provider. Suggestion is that the school pay for other trip items instead (hoodies, etc), as we were not able to fundraise for this trip as in previous years.

Grade 8 Grad

- Stefanie Smith & Leanne Lovering willing to volunteer. Rick suggested that the Gr 8 teachers & students enjoy organizing this event. Stefanie Smith & Leanne Lovering asked about a grad party. It was suggested that if parents plan something after the ceremony it would have to take place off school property.

6) Next Meeting: April 9 @ Coldwater. Short meeting to update on Spring Fling & budget findings from accountant

7) Motion to Adjourn Meeting at 6:15pm
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