

Southview School Advisory Council

Wednesday, Jan 17, 2024

1. Approval of Minutes

- Discussion around how Candice has resigned as Co-chair
- Amanda has been nominated to Co-chair
- Council voted to approve that motion
- Amanda accepted the position

2. Principal's Report

- Teachers are now beginning to work on report cards
- Big change for his reporting period is that Language has moved to 1 mark (still 4 strands). Math made the same shift a couple of years ago
- The Board is preparing a letter to go home with reports to explain the change
- Feb 2 PA day is for reporting purposes
- Solar eclipse has shifted the April PA day from Friday to Monday (April 12 to April 8) - this will happen for the three boards that Tri-Board transportation services
- Basketball teams (4) are currently practicing
- Jen Zwiers is running a talent show - students will send in a video to audition
- Grad photos Feb 6
- NDSS Open House Feb 22 @ 6:30PM
- French team is putting together another Carnival
- At the last meeting we spoke about teacher wish lists and Indigenous texts wish lists, it was discovered that there is a large collection of texts already available in the school, those resources have been added to the mentor texts that teacher share and access

3. Teacher's Report

- Mr. Dunleavy requested funds, last year he had access to \$1500 (grant) for equipment
- Teachers were thankful for the Craft Sale
- SAC free table was very popular among the children

4. Financial Report

- \$16,134.60
- Hot lunch money coming in that hasn't been paid out
- Big expenses that came out in September \$500 for grad, \$5/student, \$500 for Phys Ed. Department
- Discussion around additional supports to classrooms (i.e. covering the cost of a bus for a field trip, \$100 additional classroom funds)
- Funding should include the French department - \$750 from special events and supplies/resources
- Motion put forward to add additional \$100/classroom and \$750 to the French department.
- Council voted to support the Motion of Additional Funding
- Pro-grant update (last year it provided the Family Game night)
- Family Game Night this year will be April 4th, pizza can be ordered on School Day. Discussion around ordering extra and opening cash sales within the school

5. Fundraising

- Winter Wonderland Dance
- Spring Carnival, June 6 at 5:30PM - The Party Empire
Company can be hired to run the full carnival (face painting, balloon animals, obstacle course) will be a free family event, food trucks available for purchasing dinner (Big D's, Kona Ice - both give money back to the school for being at the event) - \$1500 budget, company is insured
- Council voted to approve the \$1500 budget
- Hot lunch is still running, our biggest fundraiser

- We are not offering pizza to Food Share - big impact to students who are not able to participate
- Spring Fund-Raiser - Ground coffee/Tea/Hot Chocolate, Spring plantables, soup (again)
- Discussion about December Wreaths
- Donation to the Food Share request letter to be presented to the Royal Canadian Legion (written by Amanda Morrison)

6. Indigenous Rep Update

- Craft, bannock making, storytelling indigenous event being planned for Southview families
- Andrea is organizing and figuring out logistics for this event
- SAC members are willing to help support this event

7. PIC

- No November meeting minutes available
- Next meeting in February
- Pushing for ministry funding for a universal hot lunch program in schools

8. Discussion

- Public Health Talk on Vaping - coming to talk to grade 6/7/8 at some point this year
- Other available speakers - bring a speaker in to educate parents and raise community awareness
- Group discussion

Next Meeting - Feb 28, 2024