

MINUTES – SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING

Wednesday, October 26, 2016

INTRODUCTION AND WELCOME BY CHAIR

Still need a secretary to take minutes for our meetings. Please contact Jackie Harrietha or call the school if you are willing to help

PRINCIPALS' REPORT

Battle of the Grades:

- competition between grades to build school spirit and community
- includes a non-perishable food drive

Awards Breakfast:

- 77 students were recognized at the breakfast (Honour Roll - last year's report card)

School Climate Survey:

- all students took survey
- provides information regarding concerns and positive feedback as well
- parents will have opportunity to take survey in the spring
- we will review data and use for planning and programming

Catharine Dunn Visit:

- 30 students participated in an interactive session with the author (Gr. 8-12)
- discussion of the creative process from an author's point of view

OSSLT:

- issue was province-wide and all students will re-write on March 30, 2017
- students will have the option of choosing to select a paper version of the test at that time

TYKTW/Niagara College Day:

- Grade 9 will spend the day at a workplace of their choice or Niagara College
- Grade 8 will spend the day as a Grade 9 (MSIP, attending secondary classes)

Family Pasta Supper:

- there will be a family pasta supper for all Grade 8s and their entire families on November 22nd
- transportation will be provided if necessary

Graduation/Prom Update:

- a committee is being formed to set criteria for bursary money
- the prom will be school sanctioned and supervised

Progress Reports:

- elementary reports will be sent home on November 10th
- parent/teacher meetings will be held on November 17th (parents should call the school to schedule- notice was sent home already)

SCHOOL COUNCIL DISCUSSION

Santa Claus Parade:

- we have been registered for the November 20th parade
- Crown Transport has donated both truck and driver
- secondary students to decorate float for volunteer hours
- note to be sent home to advise that elementary students should be dropped off at the school at 1:30 to take the bus down to the parade and to ensure room on the bus
- we could use some parents at 12:30 as well to help decorate the truck

OLD BUSINESS

PIC conference reminder:

- still time to register
- we will have a table set up again, if there parents are asked to stop by and sign in for engagement hours

Fundraiser:

- orders are pre-packaged
- need volunteers on December 4th to help with counting and organizing orders
- delivery date is December 12th

NEW BUSINESS

- current Parent Council funds balance: \$4,195.20
- money has already been committed for Grade 12 grad and Grade 8 grad (cake)
- the school has applied for a grant for a large screen monitor for the gymnasium. If approved, Parent Council will be asked to assist with funds for the balance.
- if parents have any items they would like discussed at the next Parent Council meeting, they should feel free to email questions ahead of time to be added to the agenda

NEXT MEETING DATE

Wednesday, December 7, 2016 at 6 pm

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn moved by A. Grieve, seconded by K. Irvine

