

SCC Meeting Minutes

June 7th, 2022

Attendees:

Raquel Weinmaster, Tanya Breitzkreuz Julie Gabriel, Dennis Nesseth, Lori Betge, Nicole Pohl, Janelle Prybilski, Polly Ann Rowe, Evan Niebrandt, Erin Walker

Regrets: Baydon Rowe

Meeting called to order at 6:31 pm by Julie Gabriel

Meeting Agenda Adopted by all

Past Minutes - Accepted and adopted.

Financial Report:

- Current balance: \$9924.22
- We currently have two more payments due for the school playground. We have enough in the account at this time to pay it off, but we would like to reserve some of these funds for upcoming events and needs. We will therefore continue with the payment schedule for now.

Principal's Report:

- Royal Gratitude
- LIP - Numeracy and Literacy assessments are being conducted. School Culture and Climate - Surveys are being completed amongst different cohorts of students to identify and implement the LIP for next year. Mental Fitness - surveys are also being used here to try and target areas of concerns and develop plans for the deficits.
- Notable events over the last few months - Esterhazy High School presented the play "Gossip" which was well received. JR LaRose came to present a motivational speech. Drama has been recording their performance with the view that all grades will be able to watch. Track and Field events have been occurring and will continue next week. Band Trips are in the midst of occurring. Miss Corson is planning and organizing the garden plot.
- Enrollment and Staffing - Distance Learning will only be offered to higher grades next year, and there will be a fairly rigorous entry requirement for those students. Staffing - FTE numbers are down, so that will mean some staffing changes and challenges for Yorkdale staff.
- Technology - device needs are met at this time, so there is no need to purchase more at this time. Miss Breitzkreuz talked us through how the devices are used by the classrooms.
- Upcoming events highlighted. One notable event is the Awards Assembly occurring on Monday June 27th - this will be a full school assembly. Some discussion was had about what the process is for determining awards and avoiding one student getting multiple awards. The awards process was explained and discussed in terms of ensuring that they

are distributed fairly. Some discussion was also had in regard to the possibility of splitting up awards ceremonies for k-4 and 5-8 so that the younger kids are more included in the awards process. This is something that will be given consideration next year.

- GSA – the provision of a Gay Straight Alliance is an important part of creating a safe and welcoming space. At this time, announcements of those activities are being shared mostly with the older Grades. Some discussion was had as to providing contact information for the GSSD Curriculum Consultant in order to ensure parents have a resource to ask questions of as pertains to the policies regarding the provision of these groups.
- Dress Code – discussion was had surrounding a dress code for Yorkdale. The generalized agreement was that implementing a dress code would be difficult to enforce for many reasons.
- Playground – A Petition was received by Mr. Nesseth from the Grade 6 students for a new playground. The discussion was to put the question back to the students who developed the petition to ask what they are looking for out of a playground. This may also help them also understand what playgrounds costs are and be more invested in the process. Polly Ann will also email Justin who helped with our previous playground to see what ideas he has.
- Grade 8 Grad –Julie Gabriel will bring greetings on behalf of the SCC and Nicole Pohl will represent the GSSD Board.
- Mr. Nesseth moves to accept the Principal’s Report. Julie Gabriel seconded.

New Business

- Richelle McDonald has resigned her position as a member of the SCC. We are grateful for all the hard work and contributions she has made to the SCC in the past years. She will be missed!
- End of Year Hot Dog – Possibly Friday June 24th. Previously we charged \$3 for a Hot Dog and Juice. We are looking at the possibility of combining this with a Water Fight. Mr. Nesseth will contact the Fire Department to see if they can help with that. We will also add chips to the lunch. Families will be invited and included on the order forms. We will look at potential sponsors for BBQ’s and Chips. Nicole Pohl will handle order forms. Cost will be \$3 per lunch (includes one hot dog, juice box and chips – additional hotdogs will be \$2 each).
- Farewell Gifts – The SCC would like to purchase farewell gifts for those that are leaving.

Old Business:

- Kindergarten Orientation – Thanks to Julie for making a fabulous brochure to hand out at the K Orientation!
- SCC Symposium is June 22nd, 2022 6:30-8:00 pm (Zoom). Please RSVP by June 16th, 2022 to Donna Court.

Next meeting will be October 4th, 2022.

Meeting adjourned at 8:35 pm