

## **I.F. Cox Parent Council Meeting**

**November 26, 2019**

Attendance: Krista Denty, Alissa Gertner, Sara Cocks, Carly Aldred, Linda Asham,, Arnold Frank, Tamra Birnie, Pam Cursons, Ann Smith, Candace Robins, Catherine Usher

**Call to Order:** 5:35 pm

**Adoption of Agenda:** Sara adopted, Alissa 2nd

**Adoption of Previous Minutes:** Tamra adopted, Sarah 2nd

**Reports:**

**Trustee Report:**

Just had their Board meeting with the division where they reviewed policies and procedures and passed the revised budget. The trustee reported that there are no layoffs or cuts to staff this year but also there is no new funding increases for the next 3 years.

The division is trying to arrange a meeting with the 4 MLA's where people can go and get questions and concerns heard.

**Treasure Report:**

Carly has asked for full access online banking to make things easier for her as the treasure. Parent council agreed that it would be a great idea and Tamra has agreed to be a viewer on the online account.

Alissa made a motion for Carly to have full access to online banking with Tamra being a viewer, Krista 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion.

See attached for full description of balances.

**Admin Report**

Accountability Pilar was shown to the council. The school is rating very well.

School budget is not covering full day program for kindergarten with what they are charging. They would like to continue the program but will have to revise it. There were some adjustments made to the budget to cover school fees.

Division goals for the year are still literacy & deeper learning and going along well

Teachers meet 60 mins a week to collaborate and work on reading strategies.

Christmas lunch is December 19<sup>th</sup> we will need volunteers to help prepare and serve as well the school is asking for help with purchasing turkeys. Parent council agreed to purchase the turkeys for the dinner.

There are some families in need within the school, Admin asked council for help or ideas to support them. A tree of hope was discussed.

### **Teacher Report:**

Grade 3s just did a 2-day classroom at Medalta and now they are bringing what they learned back to the classrooms.

Hamster has arrived and students are researching how to care and feed him. They are working on a presentation for the next assembly to introduce him to the school.

Teachers thanked Parent Council for supporting their field trips.

### **B&A/ KinderCare Report**

Tammy, Caroline, Joy and Vanessa are attending a suicide awareness workshop tonight. Krista is attending a Children with Anxiety workshop Friday.

KinderCare has 3 practicum students right now. One is Alissa Funk who is already employed by the program and upgrading to a level 2 childcare worker.

Tammy has transferred \$20,000 into a GIC she asked if she should keep it there. The council said yes for now.

B&A are taking about 40 kids to the Monarch theater December 5<sup>th</sup> this is their Christmas present to the children and parents there will be no charge for childcare that day. The childcare association is covering the cost for the movie and snacks, the program just has to pay for bussing.

Both programs will be having their staff Christmas supper at the Keg on December 18<sup>th</sup>

Joanne is sending her annual report into accreditation this week.

Tammy is due for her 3 year re accreditation visit some time towards the end of January she is almost done her reports for this.

### **Old Business**

Snow Blower – Problem is solved with a new crew contracted to clear the sidewalks this year and seems to be doing well.

Casino Money Spending: Erin has sent out letters to some business for support and no response has come in. The teachers and admin have created a “wish list” of items they would like. The

letter and list are attached. Council feels that the casino money needs to be dispersed now because it needs to be spent by February. To up the spending budget a little Catherine agreed to strike the remainder of the maker space budget. The decided budget is as follows:

iPad: Set of 10 with cases and charging dock \$5800

Razz Kids \$750

Phys ED: \$600

Art Supplies: \$1000

Music: \$475

Library: \$1000

Sensory Room: \$500

First Aid Kits: \$600

Travel Bags: \$600

#### B&A Banking Access

Parent Council followed up with Tammy and Joanne asking for full access to online banking with the Before and After care program. Alissa went and asked the accountant Susan if she had any input or concerns of this. Susan feels confident there should be no issues but however suggests that there should be a person to have viewer access to just check in on transactions from time to time. The council will ask Stacy if she is ok with being the viewer on this account seeing how she accepts payments for the program and has a feel for what goes on there.

Alissa made a motion for Tammy Paulson and Joanne Burnes to have full access to online banking and for Stacy McCarthy to have viewer access. Krista 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion.

Admazing Savings Fundraiser has wrapped up there were 163 books sold. There are still some books left that parent council will put on sale after Christmas.

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Krista had brought up a previous motion for sleds to be purchased a few years ago. She went through the motions for November 16<sup>th</sup>, 2017 and found \$200 allocated to new crazy carpets. Parent council agreed to carry out this previous motion. Alissa will purchase the sleds

**Date of Next Meeting:** January 21 @ 5:30pm

**Adjournment:** 7:25pm

## **I.F. Cox Parent Advisory Meeting    November 26<sup>th</sup> , 2019**

1.     Call to order: 7:25pm

2.     Motions:

        Krista made a motion to pay \$400 for turkeys Sara 2<sup>nd</sup>

        Alissa made a motion to pay \$307.82 to Sara for Toonie treat supplies, Krista 2<sup>nd</sup>

        Alissa made a motion to Strike the previous RAZZ Kids, Sara 2<sup>nd</sup>

        Alissa made a motion to strike the remainder Maker space funds, Sara 2

        Krista made a motion to pay \$575 from the general account for teacher bags, Alissa 2<sup>nd</sup>

        Krista made a motion to pay \$591.00 form the general account for first aid kits, Sara 2<sup>nd</sup>

        Sara made a motion to pay Destiny \$150 for preparing turkey dinner, Tamra 2<sup>nd</sup>

3.     Adjournment: 7:45pm