

Grafton School Council – Meeting Minutes

October 18, 2023 – 6:30 – 8:00, School Library

Attendance: Greg Sumi, Lindsay Frizell, Sarah Brisbin, Alicia Desroches, Kim Blair, Julie Perry, Leslie Vogt, Miranda Conners, Maeghan Rower, Noelyn Mononen (staff), Emily, Stephanie Schuur, Sharon Kimber, Ruby Gr 8, Scarlett Gr 8.

Regrets: Sara Venema, Kerry Sutherland, Lisa Hayman

| Item # | Agenda Item | Summary | Action Items |
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| 1. | Adoption Agenda | Done | |
| 2. | Approval of Minutes | Done | |
| 3. | Principals Report | <p>Principal's Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Athletics are in full swing: nail biting junior soccer tournament, cross country at TCS, Baltimore and Peterborough, Flag Rugby • Open House went well and the book fair raised over \$1500 worth of reading materials for the library and classrooms (thank you Ms. Greig for organizing and all the staff and students that supported) • Hot lunches have launched and been well received (thank you Kerry and Sydney for helping out with pizza) • Safety: completed 3 fire drills, 1 hold and secure, 1 lock down. Our next lock down drill is scheduled for the end of the month and will be observed by our OPP Community Officer James Clarke • Facilities: Library Chromebooks installed; Glass wall still waiting; Field still in discussions with developers regarding fencing; (some) grass seed planted. School requests entered for primary room refresh, school yard perimeter fencing, kindergarten fencing, tree/brush removal. Pergola removal. Discussion - Volleyball net this fall? • Coming up: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ KPR Parent conference Sat Oct 21 ○ Grade 7 Vaccinations Oct 23 ○ Photos Oct 24 ○ Take your child to work day Nov 1 ○ Dental screening for kindergarten Nov 2 | |

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| | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ PA Day Nov 3 ○ Old Internet connection tower removed Nov 3 ○ Remembrance Day observance Nov 10 ○ Progress Reports Nov 17 ○ Bullying Intervention and Prevention Plan work being completed by school team. To share with council by email for review | |
| 4. | Fundraising Plan | Copy last years fundraising totals to present to board as appx values for this year. | |
| 5. | School improvement planning | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Not just hard data etc. what do the students/staff/parents think about the school? ● Activity done on paper and shared as a group ● Challenges – saftery returing home | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Have town come to meeting in future |
| 6. | Staff Report | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Bullying week – third week of November ● Organize 1 thing per day throughout the week ● Play date/acrostic poem/hawk hearts/spirt squad presentation/community breakfast ● Help for community breakfast, cooking/serving ● Nov 21st | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Kim to send out email to see about getting volunteers to help day of ● Collect pancake mixes/fruits etc. |
| 7. | Treasures Report | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Sold 57 shirts – use profit to buy bigger/new school jerseys ● \$ 6982.06 in hot lunches ● \$14560 play ground account ● \$583.66 in main account ● Move profit from last years hot lunches into main account. | <p>Kim - ask Karen to do that</p> <p>When sports are into a break – please inventory on the jerseys we have</p> |
| 8. | Hot Lunches | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Going well ● Pizza is better – perhaps suggest sending re-usable containers instead of using paper towels ● Lots of volunteers and student help | |
| 9. | Breakfast Club | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Going well ● Lots of selection | |

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| | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Happy customers • Student reps offering more help • Help remind students right to calls and right back | |
| 10. | Fundraising | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shirts – order going in Friday for cresting/personalization. Hopeful for completion early November <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sommervilles to do Jersey – lots of interest in asking to have personalized jersey – picture to Somerville to get quote. • Christmas Market <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lots of help, lots of raffle help and prizes, maps made, 72 vendors, new kid zone with gingerbread house, fundraiser table for grade 8s (bagged candy sales), pictures with Santa, wandering carollers, and music, free skate at the arena, 3 food vendors • Christmas Fundraiser <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cookies ready to go • Meat is good • Chocolate – need to choose flavors and you have to sell individual but you order it in a box • Cheese – not a lot of profit margin • Dates – order for meets need to be in by Nov 17 – have orders returned by Nov 15, send out Nov 2nd. | <p>Put out to the community for kids who need volunteer hours</p> <p>Have kids help sell raffle tickets</p> <p>Have choir sing at the market</p> |
| | Other business | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Regional council meeting – next meeting in December - any info you want from the school; they are happy to discuss and do a presentation on it. • Everyone is fundraising for playgrounds and technology replacement. • KPR is growing up to 36 000 kids • French emersion is coming to all Northumberland schools | <p>Any topics of interest- please pass along to Greg or Leslie to bring up at next meeting in December</p> |

Meeting over - Oct 18 8:38 PM

NEXT MEETING: November 15th 6:30 PM