TIMBERLEA SCHOOL COUNCIL MINUTES

Thursday, June 8, 2017

IN ATTENDANCE: Waleed Najmeddine Deanna Hoffer Erika Doka

Ellen Polegato Kim Snow Erin Piercey Jennifer Garland

Meeting called to order @ 7:00 p.m.

Erin welcomes everyone to the meeting.

- 1. Adoption of agenda with additions or deletions
 - Agenda approved as is
- 2. Approval of minutes from previous meeting
 - Minutes from previous meeting approved
- 3. Administration's report

Mr. Najmeddine

- Staffing
 - i. Heather Fisher early maternity leave (Alisha McDonald)
 - ii. Debbie Porter reduced duties to 4 hrs/day up to June 20 (Fern Dixon will be filling in part-time)
 - iii. Shannon Dube medical leave until June 30 (Marcia Latty)
 - iv. Budget meeting with superintendent June 7
 - 1. Issue with FTE's. Will now have coverage for Phys. Ed and Music to allow prep time for teachers
- Aboriginal Awareness Week Feedback
 - i. Kids enjoyed attending Metis Fest
 - ii. Project of the heart tiles were shaped into medicine wheel
- Family Fun Day feedback
 - i. Viewed as a success
 - ii. There were enough fun activities to keep people entertained
 - iii. No long line-ups
 - iv. Lots of young families attended
 - v. Stress balls were a huge attraction
 - vi. No new registrations received that day, but wasn't really expecting any. It was more about sending the message out that Timberlea Public School is a 'family'
- FNMI
 - i. Nistawoyou Friendship Centre Pollyanna McBain continuation of storytelling May 31
 - ii. Project of the heart medicine wheel exhibit
 - 1. A few of the gr. 6 girls put this together

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- APPLE Schools
 - i. Year-end review meeting with Erin Gates
 - 1. Review action plan
 - 2. Always encouraging to make healthy choice, not criticizing unhealthy habits
 - 3. Importance of follow up and follow through
 - ii. Will be less funding next year
 - 1. What funding we have will continue to support the breakfast program and apple purchases
- 2017-18 Fee
 - i. Department of Education is working hard to remove school fees to reduce burden on families
 - ii. Figuring out what should and shouldn't be charged
 - iii. Schools are required to have a fee schedule completed for the upcoming school year. Once it is complete, you will not be able to add to it
 - 1. Must account for all "fees" that may come up over the course of the year i.e. kindergarten grad t-shirts, field trips, etc.
 - 2. Lots of information to understand and relay to parents
 - iv. May be road bumps in the first year or two
 - Promotional Clothing
 - i. Samples are here
 - ii. Would like to get a rack set-up in the office for parents to come and browse
- Important Dates
 - i. Thu. Jun. 15 Final Guitar Club meeting
 - ii. Mon. Jun. 19 Gr. 6 Language Arts PAT (Part B); Final Choir meeting @ 2:45
 - iii. Tue. Jun. 20 Gr. 6 Math PAT
 - iv. Wed. Jun. 21 National Aboriginal Day
 - v. Thu. Jun. 22 Gr. 6 Social Studies PAT; ATCO Education Mobile (gr. 4's)
 - vi. Fri. Jun. 23 Gr. 6 Science PAT
 - vii. Tue. Jun. 27 Sports Day (noted by parents that the gr. 3's are going swimming at MacIsland this day. Also noted that the Parent Association will provide freezies again)
 - viii. Wed. Jun. 28 Kindergarten Grad @ 9 a.m.; Sports Day (if poor weather on Jun. 27)
 - ix. Thu. Jun. 29 last day of classes; Year-end Awards Ceremony
 - x. Fri. Jun. 30 last day for staff
 - xi. Sat. Jul. 1 Canada's 150th Birthday!
 - xii. Mon. Jul. 3 Heritage Village and Heritage Shipyard Summer Camps begin

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- 4. Gym Presentation Mrs. Polegato (Phys. Ed Teacher)
 - KEEP (Kids Enhanced and Enriched Programs)
 - Developed program 10 or so years ago (first time presenting it)
 - After-school, fee-based, parent volunteer run program. Sponsored by the Parent Association
 - Meaningful experiences for kids, after school, for about an hour
- 5. Annual Report Review
 - Need to complete the following areas
 - i. Achievements
 - ii. What can we work on
 - iii. What do we struggle with
 - Erin will send the document to everyone to help answer

Next meeting scheduled for September, 2017. Date and time TBA

Meeting adjourned at 8:28 p.m.