THE PRINCE CHARLES SCHOOL

SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING

Wednesday September 27, 2023

Time: 6:00-7:30 pm

In Attendance: Chantell McMahon, Kelly Schermerhorn, Amanda Perry, Melisa Cannell, Anna Huisman, Allison Madden, Tricia McKnight, Bill Dowling, Michelle Crawford, Kate Buinimasi, Justine Feeney, Kelley MacDonald, Amanda Pringle, Erin T. Feeney, Christine Aikens, Kaitlyn Roy, Sarah Cowal

1.0 Confirmation of Previous Minutes

Nothing to report about previous minutes

2.0 Council Election

2023/2024 School Council

Chair: Chantell McMahon

Co-Chair: Kelly Schermerhorn

Secretary: Amanda Perry

Treasurer: Kate Buinimasi

PR Coordinator: Sarah Cowal

Member at Large: Anna Huisman

3.0 Business Arising from Previous Minutes

3.1 Fundraising/ Events

- Fresh from the Farm
 - Orders are to be in by Wednesday October 4th, 2023
 - School council makes 40% off of the bundle price
 - Delivery is between November 6th and December 7th

Graduation Dance

- Our budget for the event was \$500.00, we spent \$498.55
- That included a 360 Photo Booth as well as decorations and a candy bar
- Feedback from the students was positive (even the adults had a good time!)
- The number of grade 8s this year is 43

• Open House/Stinger Social

- We are applying for the PRO Grant to cover the cost of this event
- The activity tent from Not So Amateurs is \$200
- Free slice of pizza and a water bottle to everyone attending
- Pizza is being supplied by Paul's Pizza
- We will need 2-3 tables as well as a garbage bin

Playground/Outdoor Classroom Update(Anna)

- The outdoor classroom is our priority
- Jo Henry is going to reach out to EverGreen to get the process going
- EverGreen to provide input of where to put the outdoor classroom
- We are working on our deposit to replace the purple climber
- The climber itself can be around \$75,000, we need to put down 50%.
- For the cost for the climber and the removal we are looking at a \$100,000

Stream of Dreams (Sarah)

- The school has to provide the fish
- Mme. Aikens will reach out to the high school to see if they would be interested in cutting fish for us
- -Reach out to Home Hardware to see if they would be willing to donate the wood to us
- We will bring this up at our next Council meeting, give Sarah a chance to look into the costs and if we can get donations/help

4.0 Standing Items

4.1 Principal and Vice-Principal Report

- The classroom reorganization went well
- Final totals for students in English 172 in French 292 for a total of 465 students
- The P.A. Day on September 25th the teachers talked about Consistent School improvement plan
- Parents will notice this will be similar across the school board
- Soccer and running club has started
- Starting to field trips starting
- Turkey Trot (Grades 1 and 2) will be Friday October 6th

- There is talk of having support for teachers with math
- Literacy coach last school year was from K-8

4.2 Treasurer's Report

- As of September 25th we have \$33,603.21 in our account
- Fundraising is going towards playground
- Mach Budget is based on last years sale
- 27 teachers to receive teacher funds
- School council contributed to the cost of devices as well as Lexia last school year
- Lexia is now expired

4.3 Hot Lunch Report

- Kelly Schermerhorn is now taking over Hot Lunches
- We are doing Paul's Pizza and Deli Fritz for the 2023/2024 school year, lunches are starting in October
- Paul's Pizza has increased their prices by \$2.00, we make \$2.43 per slice
- We had a conversation about raising the cost per slice but in the end we decided to keep the cost at \$2.50 per slice for this school year
- This year we will send the extra Pizza to the office and Bill will decide what happens with it
- The students who come down to the kitchen will be sent to the office to talk to Bill to see if they are able to have a slice
- We will no longer offer Gluten Free pizza
- For subs we are going to talk to Deli Fritz to see if we offer subs with no condiments or toppings.
- We will look into having 3 Sub options: Assorted, Ham and Turkey
- Subs are 2 times per month

New Business

4.4 Fundraisers

- Mabel's Labels: We have made \$63.28. A cheque was issued September 12. They will be sending us promotional material and a coupon code
- Fundraising Ideas:
 - Poinsettias
 - Merchandise- Look into the fee for getting on merch. We are looking into using a recommended company by Justine Feeney USIMI, they are located in Kingston
 - Post the Merch now to have ready for Christmas gifts
 - Give heads up of future fundraisers
 - Who will be taking over for the running club merch? If they need councils help we are willing to help

- Look into pricing for Tech shirts
- Remove the option of white

4.5 Teachers Fund

- \$100 approved for all teachers, to be used by the end of February.
- Allison Madden will communicate this to the teachers.

4.6 SAC Insurance

- Current insurance expires October 31, 2023
- We all agreed to renew for 2023/2024 school year, the approx cost is \$168.00

4.7 School Events

- Dates set: **Boo Bash-** Thursday October 26(6:30-8:00)
- **Family Dance-** Friday February 23 (6:30-8:00)
- Fun Fair- Friday June 14 (5:00-7:00 Rain date- Monday June 17)
- Movie Nights: December 1st and April 26th

Next meeting Date:

Wednesday November 22nd @ 6:00