

Forestview School Council Meeting
 Tuesday October 11, 2011
 6:30pm School Library

Attendance: Lisa Maves, Jenn Beatty, Mary Ann Hostick, Mary Anne Martin, Chris Boccinfuso, Angela Leitch, Monica Edwards, Mark Breese, Sandra Noël, Heather Brooks, Janet Soppitt, Mark Soppitt, Donna Christie (guest), Mrs. S. Ainslie, Mr. T Bright, Chris Valvo.

Regrets: Juliette Pingue, Sharon Oliver, Lesley Matson, Angela Valvo, Karen Nicol, Cari Schmidt, LEEANNE Spelier

Agenda Item	Notes	Action
1. Call to order	Meeting called to order at 6:35pm	
2. Approval of September minutes	Motion to approve. Jenn seconded by Chris	
3. Chair's Report <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Constitution 	<p>If are unable to attend please send email to chair. Three missed meeting means exclusion from council.</p> <p>Some interest forms were not completed as per Constitution.</p> <p>As per Constitution only one vote per household.</p> <p>Second Tuesday of every month standing date for meetings</p>	
4. Fall Fun Fair Report	<p>Profit of approximately \$909. Including \$115 profit from concession stand, or approximately \$140 if chose to use 20% credit towards next event</p> <p>Discussion regarding what was successful and not. Consideration to rent snow cone machine next year and reduce charge to families.</p> <p>Focus of event was to build the school community and spirit; it was felt this goal was achieved.</p> <p>Magazine fundraiser \$11,494 with school receiving approximately 40% of profit. More than double number of students from last year. \$700 in prizes that will be deducted from the school profit.</p> <p>Lamontagne fundraiser first deposit was \$600.</p> <p>Mr. Bright brought forward some concerns made by parents regarding the numerous things going on (pizza, fundraising, picture day, Fall Fun Fair, etc) With regards to fundraising discussion that the idea was to offer variety, i.e. some people may not want magazines but would rather have muffin mix. Mr. Bright mentioned that another option is to send donation to DSBN in order to avoid all the fundraising drives which helps avoid confusion in the household.</p> <p>It was also suggested that upcoming fundraising drives be listed in the newsletter so parents know what drives coming up</p>	

	Next fundraising meeting October 24 th at Grand Central on Queen St.	
5. Guest: Donna Christie Niagara Sexual Assault Centre	Mrs. Ainslie introduced Donna Christie. Community expert will facilitate program for Grade 8 students. Boys only and girls' only specific programs, both to be offered end of October, with a follow-up visit in May/June. Boys program will be facilitated by sexual assault victim. Girls program will speak to the highly sexualized culture they are growing up in. Very different programs for both groups. For additional parent information and other programs offered visit sexualassaultniagara.org	
6. Principal's Report <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enrolment • Allergies update, DSBN policy/procedures • Meridian park clean up • Portable • Collaborative teacher inquiry project 	<p>Enrolment now 490, anticipating to hit 500 around March Break. Discussion with Superintendent regarding school boundaries and dramatic neighbourhood growth.</p> <p>Increase in number of children with allergies. School board policy to reduce risk. Notes in top five languages to be sent home to explain life threatening allergies to reduce the risk. Staff received Epi pen training at PD day.</p> <p>Meridian supporting Grade 7 students doing park clean-up at Rideau Park. Meridian will be providing pizza.</p> <p>Expected to open doors end of October/beginning of November.</p> <p>Grade 1 teachers were successful in grant application. \$20K for collaborative inquiry project for K to Grade 2, to cover secondment time. Looking at student data, believe students unable to explain things in great detail verbal or written. Staff looking at "What is missing in teacher practice? Is it how teachers question students". If then statement: If we pose the right question at the right time, would they be able to answer. Study is looking at teacher practice.</p>	
7. New business	No new business brought forward.	
8. It's Your Minute	<p>Monica inquired about crossing guard at Forestview Street. Mr. Bright has sent in letter to City of Niagara Falls requesting traffic study to warrant additional crossing guard.</p> <p>It was noted that it has been a great transition with Mr. Schneider</p>	Mr. Bright to follow-up with City of Niagara to inquire status of request for traffic study.
9. Next Meeting	November 8 th @ 6:30pm	
10. Adjournment	Meeting adjourned at 8:06pm	