

Jacob Beam Council Meeting

Minutes: Tuesday, October 13, 2020

In attendance: Rachael LeBlanc, Amanda Rundberg, Craig Weir, Allison MacDonald, Katie Fittante, Sarah Bacchus, Stu Beckett, Heather Howe, Christine Baggs

Regrets: Leah Genovese, Joshua Prieur, Stuart Hunt, Michelle Moore, Luz Gamboa Vallejo

Formation of Council Roles:

Chair: Rachael LeBlanc

Vice Chair: Amanda Rundberg

Secretary: Craig Weir

Call to Order 6:30 pm

General Discussion

- Nov 18th first PD Day, take special note of PD Days, some fall outside Mon or Fri
- Volunteers – no outside volunteers outside of University students
- No lunch program or gym gatherings
- Spirit Wear – make it optional for all students, **Action:** Christine to report back on how they can be distributed and set up orders
 - Suggestions for non-clothing (hats, mitts, other things...)
- School Photos – on hold until further notice
- Halloween – kids can go to school in costume, no parade, no dance, each class will determine their celebration, each child will bring their own snack (no sharing)
 - **Action:** Christine to send notice to parents
- Upcoming Meetings: Nov 3rd, Jan 12th, Apr 20th, May 18th – all 6:30-7:30pm **Action:** Invites will be sent. We have room for more voting members - we encourage participation from more parents or caregivers. All are welcome to attend, even if they don't want to be official voting members.
- Business for next meeting:
 - Fundraising ideas
 - Creative ideas for parent engagement event this year
 - By-Law review

Committee Formation

- General discussion on the committee, goals, objectives, etc.
- Next meeting, we will form the committees (1 lead and a couple volunteers)
 - Green Committee
 - Fundraising
 - Healthy School

Fundraising Discussion

- 2019/2020 total raised \$8420, spent **\$3685** on phys. ed equip already
 - \$2000 commitment to Aussie X, if we can't do it money will be available to spend by council this year
- Balance of fundraising is around \$2735, with a couple wish list items remaining from last year for discussion
- \$4200 donation for gym upgrades, applied to mats being installed end of Oct
- Playground Fund = \$1820 (mandatory fund)
- Expectations/Thoughts for 2020/21
 - School is allowed to do some fundraising as long as it doesn't involve direct distribution of good or collection of cash.
 - Companies are being flexible and we can do virtual options (i.e. chocolate bars)
 - With everything going on, we may need to reconsider our approach to be sensitive to financial stress of many families. This may involve approaching larger companies for donations.
 - Ideas from last year – Art was supposed to be the focus this year (3 year rotation between Science, Physical Activity and Arts)
- Next Meeting formulize the goals/objectives and what the key focus should be and what fundraising initiatives we want to undertake

Voting Items

- Fundraising Motion made by Sarah: To purchase and install basketball chain nets and have the lines painted (hopscotch etc) Second by Amanda : – *Vote Passed*
 - \$83x4 (chain mesh), \$40/per item for lines painted **Action:** Christine to order

FundRaising 2019/2020

Fundraising Goal and Events last year

Donation \$4,200 is gym upgrades - mats being installed in 2 weeks

Spent - \$3,685 - phys ed equipment - volleyball standards, mats and nets various balls, goggles for badminton/hockey, beanballs, game grade balls, hoola hoops, scoops and balls, cones

Outstanding but discussed last year: - Chain basketball nets \$83x4 and line painting \$40 per item depending on what we want to paint

\$1,820 in Playground equipment account. - swings are broken at this point - gravel is being dealt with by the Board is what I am being told and they are contracting the fill

Event	Date	Profit
Farm Fresh	Oct	\$800
Subs and Tubs	Nov	\$300+\$1040=\$1340
Basket Raffle	Dec	\$2050 + \$500 donation
Poinsettias	Nov-Dec	\$300
Chocolate Bars	Feb-March	\$2600
Hot Dogs	Sept - March	\$830
Total raised		\$8420

Principal Report:

- Welcome to staff, Ms Hersics is back Mrs May is our pm EA, Ms Pfielsticker is with us part time doing prep. She was a student teacher here a few years ago. Ms Claus is in our SSP class
- Our current enrolment is up from last year at 283 students - with 50 students online
- Our class structure is based on keeping class sizes as small as possible
- Protocols are in place for distancing, PPE and enhanced cleaning - we update and modify with information from Public Health and Ministry of Ed regularly to do our best
- Rowan's Law Day - this initiative continues this year to educate children in every grade about the dangers of concussions
- Orange Shirt Day -All schools in DSBN join with others across Canada in celebrating Orange Shirt Day – Every Child Matters recognizing the harm done to generations of children by Indian Residential Schools and as an affirmation of our commitment to ensure that every child matters. This initiative calls for everyone to wear an orange shirt to honour the experience of Residential School survivors and to remember those who did not.
- First "I Matter" Assembly will be later in October
- We have a PD day Wednesday Nov 18th could be re-organize that day based on whether students want to return from online school
- Our goal this year is Safety, Wellness and Confidence in Learning. We are looking to continue with our math understanding as teachers and for students to communicate their thinking

Meeting Adjourned at 7:30 pm First Amanda Second Sarah

Next Meeting Nov 3, 2020 at 6:30 pm virtual meeting