

JCPS COUNCIL AGENDA

October 23 2013

Attendance

Regrets: Kelly and Darren Wicks, LeeAnne Grof, Laurie Stapley, Tammy Mitchell

A. Adoptions of previous minutes (Sept 25)

Amendment to minutes:

Add LeeAnn Grof as one of the ten members of the Parent Council

B. Items for other business

Christmas Parade Sunday, November 17, 2013 “A Toyland Christmas”

C. Parent Engagement

- Winter family skate night

- in the evening, with decorations, hot chocolate served, for parents and kids

- Stephanie Porter will call around for costs, and available dates and times

- babysitting

- arrange our own babysitting

- available if parents call us

- May art night

- school will become an art gallery with visual arts collected over the year

- performance arts celebrated in the gymnasium

- class projects to be auctioned off

- idea: having an artist or artisans coming in to run a workshop

- idea: juried art – ballots for everyone who comes in

- idea: have HS students come in to run “arts and crafts” for the parents and students

- IT Information Night

- have someone from IT come in to help parents with devices and technology

- can try out some of our apps and learn effective use of programs available

D. District Council Meeting

- Action Plan

- brief update from the October 17th, 2013 Board Meeting about the “7 Questions” for the ministry

- EQAO update

- looking at delivery of math instruction, as math is our greatest area of need

- Safe Welcome

- sign in procedure and visitors tags for ANY parent or visitor in the school

- Kids club video

- Heather McCulloch from Chex TV – series highlighting TLDSB events and school activities

- Karen will find us a convenient way to access the archived tapings

E. Treasurer's report

- Currently have \$1334.56 in our account
- Parent Engagement \$500

F. Principal's Report

- BYOD

- different classes have individual rules about the use of devices in classrooms

- wifi guest network available to students

- FDK program

- curriculum available online

- Alternative Recess

- sharing about what is available to students at both morning and afternoon recess times

- newsletter by email

- icon is on the school website for parents to sign up

- information will be in the November newsletter

- school improvement process

- our School Improvement Plan is in line with the TLDSB Board Improvement Plan

- This is created as a staff through professional learning communities, staff walkthroughs, and professional conversations

- There is a School Improvement Team that will meet several times throughout the year to have on-going review and an implementation plan

- safe and accepting schools plan

- Safe and Accepting School Team to meet throughout the year to address different issues

- building school bricks to create this great school (i.e., bullying prevention, clubs, sports, academics...)

G. Other business

- School pictures

- have had some parent complaints and some parents very pleased

- three year contract was signed in October 2012

- citrus sales - parent feedback

- Friday, October 25, 2013 is the last day for Citrus sales

- Mr. and Mrs. Wicks will come in on Wednesday, October 30, 2013 to tally up the sales (Stephanie Porter has volunteered to assist with this)

- need to reflect on the value of their sales for the prize of throwing pie at teachers and pudding at Mrs. Jordan

- will revisit later in the year if we are going to continue again next year with Citrus sales (will depend on the value of what we have raised this year)

NEXT MEETING

TBA – will depend on what date can arrange for a skating rink