



Meeting started at 6:35 p.m.

- **Introductions and Land Acknowledgement**

Annalee Rice (Secretary), Nick Fundytus (Comms), Alanna Twohey (Co-chair), Jamie McCallum, Molly Anglin, Alexandra Arrauz, Natalie Sharma (Principal), Jen Grimsey (Teacher Representative), Janet Hare

- **Thank You to Everyone for the work on the following events:**

- Spaghetti Dinner - Nick Fundytus & Team + Volunteers
- Book Fair - Leslie Gregory + Volunteers
- 67's Game - Jamie McCallum & Ms Grimsey + Volunteers

- **Approval of Last Month's Meeting Minutes**

- Jamie (1st), Alanna (2nd) - approved

- **Admin Report (Mme Sharma)**

- **Enrolment - We're Growing**

- 344 students and more coming in January
- 4 kinder classes, 8 EFI classes, 4 English classes
- classes range from 17-27 students
- More than 20 languages spoken at home
- 44 ELL learners, 20 learners formally id'd as exceptional but many others unidentified/on IEPs.
- 24 tier 2 student support groups running
- 1 Admin, 24 teachers, 8 ECEs, 2.5 EAs, 1 library tech, 1 OA, 0.5 OAA, 2.5 custodians

- **Instructional-Student Achievement Plan for School Improvement**

- Structured Literacy - increasing KG-Gr5 awareness and application of phonetic awareness and decoding skills through a whole school structured literacy approach

- Mathematics - Using High Impact Instructional Practices to increase learning to provincial standard through use of multi-grade continuum in the strand of Algebra with a specific focus on equations and inequalities
- Operational - Budget
 - the principal and Admin are working hard to budget and keep things going given that the board has not given all of the budget (yet), and the board is working on supporting inclusion, but to have kids in specialized classes it needs support.
 - Different models - EFI, MFI, English w Core, specialized placements
 - There may be changes because the school board needs to save money
- Interpersonal - Mental Health &
 - Staff Wellness - meeting with the board, speaker about the Employee Assistance Program (EAP) - trying to make sure that staff knows what is provided and can utilize when times are good and when they need help
- Proactive Wellness Approach
 - predictable environment with caring adults and peers
 - inclusive and culturally relevant and responsive learning
 - consistent reinforcement of expectations
 - restorative practices - conversations and circles
 - Tiered Intervention - proactive and meaningful support
- **Staff / Admin Asks / Upcoming Paid Events**
 - Ask - Button maker - for clubs and such - \$110
 - no quorum today, so a vote can be done by email
 - Blues in the Schools - booked for March
 - Luv2Groove - booked for April
 - Kinder yard Renewal - plan to come

- o **Upcoming Important Dates:**
 - Dec 4-18 - Food Drive - at 645 items, extended date
 - Dec 18-22 - Spirit Week
 - December 22nd – Last School day before winter break
 - Dec Winter Break
 - First Day of School after Break

- **Staff Report (Ms. Grimsey)**
 - o Mrs. Harris' class - math update
 - o Grade 5EFI - snowflakes & pen pal writing
 - o Mrs Wood's Mrs Donoghue's classes went on a forest trip
 - o Gr 5 ENG is doing reading buddies with a kinder class
 - o Food drive in full swing - Goal is 1000 items
 - o Kinders have been enjoying playing in the snow - would love some new shovels and string for sleds
 - o Mrs. Harris' class measured gingerbread characters and then wrote their own stories
 - o Choir - RHOP Choir sang O Canada at the 67s game - choir will run again after the holidays with Choirfest (4 songs by Canadian Artists in different languages and a field trip for a small group to represent RHOP)
 - o Kinder Ladybugs - gingerbread theme in their learning
 - o Snow Pledge - safe snow play - fingerprint is their promise - snow is for building but it stays on the ground
 - o Bumblebees - gingerbread theme - different versions, made sugar cookies,
 - o Gr ½ - Unplugged coding - routes around the class
 - o Mme Lacasse - science - compression & action, squishing their stuffies
 - o Lego Clubs (primary & junior) started up - very excited students
 - o Pride Club has started up as well
 - o The school has secured musical instruments (drums) for January, and will again have another bunch in Feb/March

- **Fundraising Update (Jamie)**
 - **67's**
 - the budget shows the ins/outs of money but it is not finalized yet. Estimate was about \$1000 profit
 - the ticketing is a lot of work. Jamie reached out to the 67s to see if there was a better way to have the ticket sales done where people buy directly from Ticketmaster and then they just send a transfer to the school afterwards. Or, possibly physical tickets and checking off the list at the door. Jamie is working on a better system for next year so it is better organized for future years.
 - **Spaghetti Dinner (Nick)** – about 100 people who came to eat, money taken in was approx \$800 (according to Nick), Nick needs to speak with Matthew to submit receipts / costs so the financials can be finalized. The ticket prices for the dinner need to be increased next year, as the Spaghetti dinner lost money this year.
 - big expenses were food, labour for the cooking
 - cutlery / utensils
 - Long term - table cloths,
 - Need to advertize earlier, ideally prep food ourselves to save money
 - **Book Fair (Leslie)**
 - Leslie will update us next month on this, but we all know it was a huge success!
 - **Movie Night (Sarah)** - February 2nd proposed date
 - organization wise for the distribution of food
 - lessons learned from last year to help people progress through the line quickly and comfortably
 - boots out of the gym
 - volunteers needed - email the council email address or email Sarah directly (handling food, handling money, smoothies)
 - looking for suggestions for movies (Elemental? Leo?)



- **Budget Update (Matthew)**
 - provided prior to the meeting, but not in attendance to present
 - went through the budget on the board
- **Holiday Donations Update (Jen & Annalee)**
 - 9 families - getting final details from staff on any special dietary needs
 - Dry goods still coming in with the Food Drive
 - Heather will deliver with Mme Sharma on Wednesday afternoon
- **ProGrant (Heather organizing, Alanna providing Update)**
 - Heather wants to know if anyone wants to collaborate on the application (Alexandra volunteered)
 - looking for approximate timing for the event for the speaker so they can include it in the application and to book the speaker
 - possibly working to combine with another school to maximize the uptake
- **Constitution and Bylaw Review and Update (Annalee)**
 - Looking to have everyone look through the sections that pertain to the duties they fulfil on the Council to ensure that they're up to date and accurate
 - Recommendations for changes - please send to the Council Email
 - Consolidation
 - January Meeting - will Vote on the proposed changes
- **Roundtable**
 - **Update on School Directory** (Kristina) – coming together, will be sent out as a PDF, likely in January
 - **Discussion on Inclusive Sports** (Molly & Jamie) - Molly shared her storey about her son who has a condition that makes it hard to play in sports in a traditional way. Jamie also mentioned her daughter who has some challenges.
 - intramural triple ball will start up after the holidays
 - intramural soccer would have been run in the fall after the soccer tournament, but the teacher/coach had surgery after and was not able to run an intramural

- discussion on whether council could support having an intramural run that does not require teacher involvement (a teacher may need to be present if it is being run by someone who is not a teacher).
- Special Olympics - Unified Sports, offered across Canada where they offer inclusive sport (a team mixed with abled and challenged kids together to foster support and understanding) - waiting for more info
- **Update on the Tree Grant** (Annalee)
 - shared slide / proposal from Forestry
 - types of trees, planting May/June (with probably a week notice)
 - watering team in the summer
- **Fun Fair & Silent Auction**
 - 35 donations to date (from Jen Grimsey)
 - looking to have the advertising done earlier, since it's in the letter that they will get advertising

Meeting adjourned at 8:18pm