

Yorkton Central School SCC Meeting Minutes

December 3rd, 2019

Attendees:

Nicole Pohl, Polly-Ann Rowe, Tim Bomboir, Raquel Weinmaster, Sandra Diduck, Richelle MacDonald, Breanne Gelowitz

Regrets: Shaune Beatty, Baydon Rowe, Julie Gabriel, Janelle Prybylski, Nicole Ardell

Meeting called to order at 6:30 pm by Richelle MacDonald

Old Business:

- December Hot Lunch - we will be using Dominos Pizza for this event. Last year we chose to have the pizzas divided into 8 slices and this worked well, so we will do the same this year. Pries will be \$3 each or 2/\$5. Nicole P. investigated pricing for juice boxes and mini pop cans. It was decided that we will offer the option of juice or mini pop on the order forms. Both options will be included in the price of the pizza. Previously, the SCC has provided oranges or candy canes as a gift to student on the last day before Christmas vacation. The consensus was that they generally don't know that these are from the SCC. We decided not to offer a gift of that kind this year. Last year some fire fighters were able to come and help with giving out pizzas. We will investigate if they are available to help again this year.
- Crossfit- this will be discussed later in the principal report.
- February Steak Night - February 12th. There is new management at this time, so we need to confirm pricing, kids' meal availability and if there will be an alternative to steak. Cindy Alexander is the contact person for this. The price per supper has risen to \$15, so we would be looking at charging \$25/person for this event. Tickets will go on sale at the start of the new school year. This will be a general fundraiser. Polly Ann offered to contact Cindy and will confer with Julie and Nicole A. who offered to help out via messaging. We will plan to do a 50/50 and possibly a Candy Count and a few other games.
- Student of the Month - Richelle and Oriahna have developed a handout to introduce the idea to staff and teachers, including criteria, and will put these in their mailboxes along with forms for submissions. Nicole A. has a certificate already developed and will forward this to Mrs. Els.

New Business:

- SCC Symposium will take place on January 9th, 2020. Please let Richelle know asap if you are able to attend. There will potentially be a short SCC meeting before the symposium if needed.
- Mark Zawerchuk would like to host another Hot Dog Lunch. We are very interested in repeating this event as it was a big success last year. However, we need to clarify if he will be bringing helpers and how many so that we are adequately prepared. Nicole P. will work as liaison with Mark about this event. Last year there were quite a few hot dog

lunches towards the end of the year, so it would be great if we could incorporate this into the year end event instead of as an additional lunch.

- Signing Authority – Motion presented by Polly Ann Rowe to change signing authority in conjunction with new vice chair elected at the AGM. Those having signing authority will now include Richelle MacDonald, Polly Ann Rowe and Baydon Rowe. Motion seconded by Nicole Pohl. Motion passed by majority vote.
- MLA symposium update – Nicole P. attended this event and came back with a great report. Family engagement was a big topic of conversation. Some other schools do family engagement surrounding LIP and send out monthly newsletters from the SCC. Nicole P. put forward the idea of starting a parent mentorship program where parents are connected with another family whose kids are a grade or two ahead just to provide support, information on how things work at the school, and to build relationships. There was a lot of discussion at the meeting regarding the grading system and student led conferences including the pros and cons of each. Many parents were wondering how and if the discussions had at the symposium would effect change, and they were told that while the process would be slow their thoughts and ideas would be taken into consideration, so there was a big emphasis on improving communication.
- Teacher Appreciation Lunch – former catering service is no longer available. Discussion was had on what other options could be considered. In the end, it was decided we as an SCC will provide a potluck lunch to the teachers. Exact date to be announced.
- Financial Report – Large payments were made to GSSD for playground, as well as for the cross fit space, so that depleted the SCC account significantly. We have \$10,421.56 owing to GSSD for the playground, which we can begin repaying next year, and \$5000 owing to Yorkdale which we should be able to repay throughout this year with grants, school fees and fundraisers.
- Principals Report –
 - Books for One Book, One Community ran into a shortage and so there was a slight extra cost for these. Yorkdale did not receive the grant from Painted Hand Casino for this event this year.
 - Crossfit Project is almost completed.
 - Family Engagement Survey – approximately 25% of families participated in the survey. There is an opportunity for the SCC to be involved in meeting some of the expressed needs that came out in the survey. This will need to be followed up on at our next meeting. Specifically, we should look at the results of Question 2 and discuss which of the topics of information we might be able to provide some help or training on. The results of the survey will be published to the school Facebook page and shared by the SCC.

Meeting adjourned at 7:50pm