

School Advisory Committee November 25

In attendance: Emily Stobbert, Robyn Staffen, Olivia Friesen, Candice Elliot, Bonnie Dickau, Brittany Fischer, Jane Gusdal Mary Lynn Kary

1. Went over Minutes
Robyn Staffen approved the minutes
2. School Trustee Report - Laura not in attendance
3. Treasurer Report - The Account is at CIBC. There has been no change in funds \$7916.86
Checking to see if these funds will be transferred to a school account.
4. Staff update:
 - ECS - The field trip to Boston Pizza has been postponed due to cold weather. Their classroom pizza shop will change to a Gingerbread Bakery next week.
 - Grade 2's are making dioramas of what Wetaskiwin looked like 100 years ago. They are making Victorian houses and have been learning about tipis and settlements.
 - Grade 3 - Pumpkin Ball update - pumpkins raised \$1950.00 for WDACS
 - Grade 6 - Moose, the therapy dog, comes three times per week. In the gym, they are doing floor hockey and basketball. In math, they are plotting points and in Science they are finishing Living Systems.
 - Intramurals - will be basketball. Teams are picked and will start right away leading up to the tournament.
 - The school tree is up at the Festival of Trees at the Manluk Centre.
 - Christmas Concert - Survival Santa - Each class/combined classes has songs. Grade 5's do the acting.
Dec. 19, grades 3-6 will be going to Seniors' homes to go caroling.
5. Principals Report
 - Q1 just ended. Marks are updated in PowerSchool. Report cards will be printed off in January and June.
 - Writing Samples are done Division-wide and are kept at school. Teachers get together and use the same template and to be sure that teachers around the Division are marking at the same level.
 - Swimming lessons for Grades 1-3 have been booked.
 - Learning Success Story - distributed and will be on the website. Mary Lynn highlighted key points and school goals.
 - Sense of belonging -
The Centennial Christmas Tree is up at the Festival of Trees
Class fun days/dress up days
Christmas Fun Day activities
Swimming Lessons

Learn to Skate

Hockey Program

Wetaskiwin Music Festival.

Students partner up with seniors.

Students feel safe working in spaces in the school.

Students have access to Bonnie Dickau and Brittany Fischer

- Doing 7 Sacred Teachings. Looking at bringing an elder (Esther Wildcat) in to teach Cree Language

6. Old Business

- Hoop Circus update. There is a 45 minute + QA assembly talking about finding your passion with points on the importance of practice and persistence with a growth mindset approach. Can also do hula hoop workshops typically with hula hoops but can also be circus props (juggling/spinning plates). Workshops are done in the gym and are usually in the gym and usually 30 minutes per class.
- Cost:
Assembly Show: 45 min \$900.00 + GST
Assembly + Workshops \$1300 + GST
- Christmas Concert fundraising possibilities;
Popcorn sale - Can get an industrial popcorn machine if wanted
Cookie bake sale
Christmas baskets - each class picks a theme and students bring an item to contribute. They make the baskets and are auctioned off in a silent auction.
Baskets - K/1, 2/4, 3, 5, 6 Parent council will give classes a list of ideas to choose from. Funds collected will go towards the Hula Hoop presentation.
Emily Stobbert will email/text parents that have indicated they are willing to help at the Concession and possibly the dance.
There might be some EA's that can help.

Proposal from Bonnie Dickau

- Can the school advisory committee fund some of the elder time to come in and do Cree language and other cultural activities. It costs \$350.00/day to bring an elder in.
- January theme day - Sparkle Day - Could we do Family Dance Night? They have done this at Norwood and it was successful. The school does have lights and a smoke machine that can be used.
- Gmail - School Advisory Committee will look into a Gmail account for communication. Jane Gusdal will look into getting one through the division.

Meeting adjourned at 7:34pm

Next meeting Dec 16, 2024 6:30pm