

# January Parents of Don Campbell/School Council

Jan 18, 2023

**Attendance:** C. Pizzey, M. Jones (by phone), L. Andary, K. McNabb, S. Reinhart, D. Wolfe, L. Turner, P. O'Dwyer, C. Heatherington, L. Fleming

## **Welcome/Additions to the Agenda**

Parent Engagement

## **Chair Report**

Appreciation for Kati and the staff for the Christmas concert. A tremendous night for us to celebrate community.

A thank you from the CACAC for the gift amount of \$2250.

10% of holiday giving to the CACAC was from DCE.

## **Treasurer's Report**

-This year's raffle generated \$13,603 after expenses, on ticket sales of \$15,850. (Compared to last year's raffle generating \$13,661 after expenses, on ticket sales of \$16,259).

-We purchased \$1050 in Save On Foods and Superstore gift cards for donation.

-We started November with \$16,713. After the raffle and Healthy Hunger deposits, our ending account balance is \$30,461.25.

- Annual Society Return filed with Alberta Registries and was accepted.

## **Hot Lunch Report**

Scheduled through February. Final 3 months will be scheduled closer to March.

## **School Report**

- **Choice Boards at DCE** - This year, a team of - Kadar, Goheen, Ludwig, Vander Meulen came up with the idea. Began with a kick off assembly to hype kids. Participation chart was sent home. Kids are writing their initials when they complete the task on the Learning Commons wall. We're reinventing the way we learn and practice our pillars.
- **Field Trip permissions** - if volunteers are helping with teachers around, they just need the \$5 background check. If volunteers are taking kids on their own without other adult supervision, they must have a vulnerable sector check on file - more expensive, but the school will cover cost. Just keep the receipt for reimbursement.

- **Basketball and handball** - grade 4-5 basketball. There's a year end tournament at Hunting Hills on March 28 tentatively. We have an internal league with teams and a schedule. Handball is the same idea and season-end tourney is at Mountview.
- **Loppet** - grades 3, 4, 5 during lunch hour. We take a team to the district loppet at Riverbend. Mr. C runs/organizes essentially for the whole district. 65 kids signed up so far. Not all will end up going as they need to be able to climb the hill. This is part of our Wellness priority.
- **Other Outdoor Wellness** - We're skating and skiing right now. Some snowshoeing prior to Christmas.

**\*\* (Parent request for notes to go home for clubs before they start so conversation can be had at home prior to students making the decision).**

### Old Business

- **Raffle - discussed earlier.**
- **Swimming:** Engagement poll results: 158 of 163 said yes to swimming. Will start in March. Intentionally wanted parents to be involved in decision making.

**\*\*** Aside: How do we get parents more involved? Grade 4 survey results. How do we promote? Suggestions include: sharing pre-questions; video to motivate parents; do during parent/teacher interviews; **\*\*\*an email directly from teachers;** more reminders in this case.

- **CACAC presentation:**
  - > Mark Jones would like to arrange a **CACAC tour** for some of our parents during an evening in March (limited capacity). Update - first floor is framed, and second floor is half done. In the next month, framing will be complete on second/third floors so plumbers and electricians can begin.
  - > Space called *Move Your Mood* on the second floor. Linking mind and body through exercise and nutrition. Teens that have had babies can utilize this space and more. All children using the center can utilize. Denise Fredeen (former DCE Council member) is leading this initiative. \$75K is needed to cover this space. If Council could **consider gifting \$3-4K**, DCE Parents for Don Campbell 2023 name would be on the wall and sets us up to leave a legacy of giving.
  - > **CACAC education team to come present** to DCE parents. See what they're presenting to schools - the data, what to look for, etc. - open to all parents. Learning the signs could save a child's life. Start earlier for presentation and offer some food/drink, include childcare. **\*\*\***Try to make it an evening prior to a day off of school. Date to come.

*...P. O'Dwyer motioned to offer this presentation to all parents with food and childcare. K. McNabb seconded. Carried.*

> Quinn, the service dog, will be at DCE once he's done in court.

## **New Business**

- **Indigenous Artist (Legacy Project).** Ryan Willert. Committed to \$5K for this artist to create the wall above lobby commons area. This was granted by Council three years ago and the money has already been given. He provides the story to the students. He paints and involves the students in that they paint separate wooden objects they he hangs within the art. \*\*\*Invite parents to be able to watch it happen.
- **Family Fun Night in February** - Perhaps start at school pick up time. Choose an activity. Skis/sliding/snowshoe/skating/portable campfires. Hot cocoa/donuts inside. Parent engagement survey.  
*C. Heatherington motioned to approve the budget of no more than \$1000. L. Turner seconded. Carried.*
- Discussion around climbing wall in gym. To be discussed further. Other schools haven't seen much use in climbing walls.
- **Snowshoes** - Mark Jones has some at Central School that we already borrow. But DCE would like to buy more so we have a double set. Ask for \$1500.  
*D. Wolfe motioned to approve \$1500. L. Fleming seconded. Carried*
- **Hip Hop Proposal** - Rico Martinez from Pound It Hip Hop in Red Deer would come for a week at \$300 day. He would teach a routine that would be showcased at the end of the week. Reference check with other school's experience. Must have a vulnerable sector check, as well as his assistants.  
*P. O'Dwyer motioned to approve the budget of \$1500 for a week of hip hop. C. Heatherington seconded. Carried.*
- **Grade 5 Camp** - At Pioneer Ranch. Cost to be announced as to what the student pays. Estimated \$150 a kid including bussing, with intention to lower cost with fundraising. Bake sale to take place mid-February. Bottle drive after break. Future ask of Council for approximately \$2K.
- Grade 5 opportunity to celebrate first class to go through school. Suggestion of video montage taking place behind kids. Farewell tentative for June 22.
- Seniors coming in from Revera Seniors Living for library time with some classes.

**Adjourned @ 8:36**

**Next Meeting March 23**