

Churchill Public School
School Council
APPROVED Meeting Minutes
Monday January 23, 2017

Members Present: Carm McCormick, Lisa Howey, Mary Ginis-Heale, Jennifer Turner, Peter Ly, Howard Arfin, Sarah Evans, Katie Clarke, Elisa Palter, Susan Sargeant, Aynsley Cook, Natalie Zhang, Michael Sheehan (teacher rep), Laura Slater (principal), Rose Reisman (guest)

1. Welcome & Introductions

Carm welcome and open meeting at 7:00 pm

2. Adoption/review of past minutes

Katie Clarke motion to adopt minutes, seconded by Mary Ginis-Heale, minutes adopted

3. Rose Reisman's Kids Lunch Program – info and tasting

- food at this program is cooked fresh at their own facility
- healthier versions of “kid” preferred foods
- delivery and serving options depend on number of students ordering
- many different meal options, some offerings for different serving sizes
- online ordering
- schools can determine what is offered on menu for order
- feedback on food samples – positive from all who sampled
- **next steps: consider adding an additional hot lunch day on Wednesdays to include this program (in addition to the Lunch Lady program) on or around April 1, then survey school community to gauge reception, Howard motion, Mary second. Howard will take on communications and survey implementation for this program.**

4. Reports

Treasurer Report (Mary Ginis-Heale)

- more pizza lunch orders
- all is going well
- teachers' discretionary funds remain to be spent

Teacher Report (Michael Sheehan)

- holiday concerts, and a Dufflebag theatre performance were well received in December.
- Grade 4/5 sports programs ongoing for inter-school teams – currently girls volleyball and boys basketball
- intramurals ongoing, students can earn house colour points by participating
- pizza lunches on January 13 and 27
- spirit day this Friday January 27 (House colour T-shirt day)
- Willowdale Grade 5 info night on Monday January 30 @ 6:00 pm
- Candy Gram sales week of Feb 6-10
- Storyteller guest speaker visiting school on February 7
- report cards Feb 15, Parent/teacher conferences take place February 16 and February 17. These conferences are based on teacher or parent requests. More details to follow as we get closer to these dates.
- PA Day & Family Day long weekend February 17 – 20
- Pink Shirt day – February 22
- JK registration week of February 20

Principal Report (Laura Slater)

- parent/teacher interviews for upcoming report cards are at the request of either the teacher or the parent.
- updated after meeting – reports will go home for students in JK and grades 1-5
- winter carnival is tentatively planned, will be dependant on weather conditions

4. School Council Activities/Updates

February Fundraisers

- pizza lunches
- loonie auction, ticket sales prior to drawing ballots February 28, lunch on Wednesday March 1– students can buy tickets to enter a lottery to win lunch with a teacher or staff member, or principal for the day. Golden Star was well received last year. Volunteer needed to set up a display in the library with ballot boxes, copy and distribute ballots to students/teachers, order lunches and distribute – Sarah Evans will be assisting Katie, **volunteers will be needed on March 1**
- add lottery for front row seats at school show performances (kindergarten, afternoon show, evening show) to loonie auction

Fun Fair Planning Kickoff (Katie Clarke)

- have had pre-planning meeting with Yorkview funfair committee
- last year was held at Yorkview, would like to have it at Churchill this year, still to be decided
- looking at a first meeting for Wednesday February 1, seeking volunteers to join Fun Fair committee planning team – volunteers to help with seeking donations for silent auction, coordinate class baskets (Grades 1-5 classes), kindergarten bake sale, monetary donations for sponsorship, food, volunteer coordination, donations for prizes, book and bike donations, plants for the plant exchange, etc. **Looking for 10-20 volunteers for planning committee, many more volunteers needed for day of Fun Fair.**

- discussion around class basket donations, further info for fun fair committee to discuss
- **a new Fun Fair committee co-ordinator is needed for the next school year, and to shadow current co-ordinator**

Review Volunteer Needs for 2017

5. Other Business

School website – develop external website that can be accessed from TDSB site, committee is looking at designating roles

- soft launch of site anticipated for after March break
- a rolling calendar with dates of all events for year is desired
- need discussion of budget

- decorations for Valentine's Day to go up 9:00 am Friday, February 3

Next meeting date: Thursday, February 23 at 7:00 pm

motion to adjourn meeting made by Katie Clarke, seconded by Jenn Turner
meeting adjourned 8:45 pm.