

## RICHVIEW SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES – April 15, 2014

### **Welcome/ Introductions/Approval of Agenda/ Approval of Minutes**

### **Student Council Report – Paloma Lopez-Bondi and William Westaway**

SAC is organizing elections and today was the last day to submit an application. They will be looking over applications and meeting candidates. Campaigning will begin May 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Dodgeball Tournament was a success. Teachers won in the game vs. the students. The money raised will used to deflect the costs of the Prom.

Fun Lunch will be May 30<sup>th</sup>.

Prom is set for June 19<sup>th</sup>. The prom gift will be a Richview travel mug.

### **Canadian Parents for French (CPF)– Bev Firchuk on behalf of Deb Pope who sent her regrets.**

CPF will be refunding member schools approximately \$200 for any school which can show proof of completing some French programming (for example movies, contests, etc). I will send Sam and Olivia the requirements for obtaining the refund.

The CPF annual general meeting is coming up in June.

A decision had been made to hold another Level 1 French class in the fall. Dates and times to be established and would appreciate them being added to the website when details are known.

### **Principal's Report – Sam Miceli**

New fund raising proposal introduced:

Sam introduced a new fund-raising initiative via a superb presentation. It is called "Saints Week" which would occur in December and would involve all 35 homerooms in a collective drive to fund-raise money for the school and for charity.

The impressive presentation detailed all the myriad facets of "Saints Week". An assembly at the start of the school year would introduce the project to the students. Various committees would be formed to oversee the initiative and would involve all the homerooms in their fund-raising efforts.

Sam indicated that he would be meeting soon with the student council and the teachers to present the initiative. It was an amazing, detailed proposal that should aid in raising funds for the school and supporting a charity, while enriching the school bonds and sense of community, within and without, the school.

### **Treasurer's Report – Tina Majthenyi**

No activity. The balance is \$2,276.44 which includes the monthly bank fees.

### **Chair Report – Bev Firchuk & Charlene Sam**

We had a brief meeting to discuss the allocation of the funds raised which is approximately \$8000.00 which will be used towards upgrading technology.

We would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to Karl Schwellnuss and Todd Pope for expert analysis of our current computer assessment and resultant recommendations.

Phase 1 – Discussions were held to determine best way to utilize the funds to reduce frustrations of students and improve the use of space for technology in the Library. We have been on a waiting list for a year for more WiFi access points. We are in contact with Chris Glover to try and speed up the process.

There was also discussion on how to make more use of Smartboards – re-arranging use of high quality computers in the school and providing refresher training for teachers on Smartboards.

Pro Grant – Karyn Gordon as a speaker is still up in the air. Suggestions were made on using other options to use the money from the Pro Grant this year.

### **Principal's Advisory Group (PAG) – Olga Calabria**

This year for PAG:

1<sup>st</sup> visit – Large group introduction of Principal Advisory Group

2<sup>nd</sup> visit – Divided class into groups – individual group discussions

3<sup>rd</sup> – visit – Role-playing of school related situations – negative to positive

4<sup>th</sup> visit – An overview of what we have learned

Alumni visits –

April 28<sup>th</sup> – Former Richview students will come to speak to the current grade 12 students about their experiences in university.

First week in May – Former students will come to speak to current grade 12 students about their experiences in college and the workforce.

**NEXT MEETING – TUESDAY MAY 13<sup>TH</sup> – 7:00 P.M. - LIBRARY**