

Huntley Centennial Parents Council
Monday 20th June 2016

Attendance:

Jo-Anne Graham Debbie Millar Tim Pychyl Lisa Murphy Creann Pieroni Debbie Heuchert
Jay Blauer Donna Coutts Sarah Smith

Meeting called to order 7:06pm

Agenda Approved: Debbie M & Debbie H

April Minutes Approved: Debbie M & Lisa

O/A Items:

- **Crossing Guard:** Not successful this time. Only 10 allowed in a year. Still hopeful, but can reapply next year.
- **Grant applications:** Jo-Anne has submitted it.
- **Small Tractor:** Looking at simpler options. It is a larger piece of equipment & maintenance could be an issue. \$700 for smaller scale sweeper to remove gravel in the spring being considered. Waiting for approval.
- **Itunes Gift Cards:** Lisa waiting to see how much remains from Chromebooks.
- **Volunteers:** have a possible volunteer to take over as council chairperson. Debbie to update the forwarding address for the volunteer@huntleycentennial.org to Debbie H as some emails do not seem to have been received. Jo-Anne to draft an email calling for more help.

Treasurers Report: Lisa

- \$24000 left from last year, earmarked for greening. Lisa & Jo-Anne to investigate if this earmarked money could be put into a higher earning bank account and/or reallocated.
- Maximum \$367 left in the bank (after all expected outstanding bills for lunch program).
- Maximum \$1500 can be carried over but anything further must be earmarked.
- Financial report due June 30th.

Principal & VP Report: Jay Blauer

- Budget on track. Finish slightly under allocated funds.
- Thanks also for all your financial support and your help with all our Spring Events – such as track and field, sports and field trips and all the end of year events coming up. There are many exciting events at the kindergarten, primary and junior level as well as our grade 7 trip Montreal this week, our grade 8 three-day trip to Quebec City, and our kinder info night. We are also busy preparing for our and our Grade 8 Leaving Ceremony on Tuesday, June 28.
- Staffing: not yet finalised. Non-contract Long Term Occasional teaching staff leaving keep as they were replacing staff: Karen Neufeld, Amelia Jeffery, Alex Perciballi , Katelyn Smith & Jenna Neerhof. Additionally, Colleen Jackson who is replacing Carrie Merrill will not be returning next year. We wish them all the best and thank them for being a part of our school this year.
- Surplus contract staff - Lisa Fabro is going to Falingbrook and Stacey Wallace has secured a job at Greenbank Middle School – both are on permanent contracts. We are so sorry that we did not have contract positions for this incredible group of educators and wish them all the best in their new schools.
- We are excited to announce the hiring of Tom Bennett who has a partial contract in the ARTS.
- Thank you to Council for all you do.

Teachers Report: Donna Christie & Donna Coutts

Field Trips:

- All Grade 4's went to the Museum of Nature
- Some Grade 8's went to Algonquin
- Grade 7's will go to Montreal
- Grade 8's go on their 2 night grad trip to Quebec City
- Grade 8's will go to Carp Custom Creamery
- Grade 5's went to the Museum of History

- Grades 1 & 2 went on a community walk
- Soundwave performed at Senior Citizen's Luncheon

Clubs/Music:

- Dragonflies
- Character Crew
- Leadership Team,
- Drum Circle,
- Primary Choir,
- Soundwave,
- Jr. Band,
- Garden Club

Sports:

- Badminton, soccer, football
- student/teacher soccer baseball game – last day of school
- Intermediate Gaelic Football Clinic
- Track and field
- Junior/intermediate track meet at school
- Regional track meet
- Jr./Intermediate World Cup Soccer is underway

Special Events/Activities:

- Grade 3-6 classes had a presentation by aboriginal story-teller Daniel Richer on "The Dream Catcher and the Wolf"
- "We Stand Together" aboriginal awareness campaign organized by Character Crew
- Donation collection of books, games and articles to be sent to Attawapiskat
- Stories under the trees
- Friendship dance
- Drive to support victims of the Fort McMurray fire
- Grade 6 -8 Jams
- Grade 6 -7 Transition Day
- Kindergarten Bubble Day next Monday
- Outdoor Play Day
- Kindergarten Information Night
- Grade 7 - 8 Poverty Presentations
- Scholastic Book Fair & Grade 6 Book Drive
- "Off Beat" percussion performance by students of Glebe Collegiate
- Intermediate Spring Dance
- Grade 1/2 Lemonade fund raiser for water project
- Junior band concert
- Arts Festival
- Spirit Days (May: Huntley Colours; June: Canada Day)
- EQAO
- Urban Buddy BBQ
- Volunteer Tea
- Retirement Events
- Intermediate Fun Awards
- Grade 8 leaving ceremony on June 28th

Tech/Lunch Program : Debbie

- **Booster Juice:** Monday instead of Thursday this week.

- **Next Year:** following same plan as this year with 2 schedules. Debbie H waiting to hear back for Sub costs. Chicken fingers – including a small & large option. Booster Juice will continue but possibly every 2nd week throughout the year. Debbie M to get everything set up before first meeting in September, ready for review.

Grade 8 Grad:

- Fundraising gone really well.
- All plans on track for the graduation ceremony and dance.
- Legacy Gift: Buddy Bench installed.

New Business

- **Meet the Teacher BBQ:** Thursday 15th September 2016, 4-6:30pm. Mark & Tim to help run it. Looking for lots of volunteers. Debbie M to post a signup spreadsheet online.
- **Meeting Night:** Changing meetings to 1st Monday in the month at 7pm. Creann to get confirmation that the library is available.
- **Bank Fees:** Lisa to approach Scotia Bank about reducing fees (or a donation to offset fees).

A special thank you to Jo-Anne for all your efforts over the past 3 years. We are all so grateful for all your leadership & friendship.

Next meeting: Thursday 15th September at 7pm in the school library.

Motion to adjourn: Debbie M & Sarah