

Huntley Centennial Parents Council

Wednesday 13th September 2017

Attendance:

Deanna Wainwright Tim Pychyl Mark Tymowski Stephanie Hubley Angela Stewart Cheryl Arnott
Donna Coutts Jay Blauer Colleen Irvin Jen Fry Janet Howse Ginette Taylor Heidi Latimer
Heather Adeney Lisa Murphy Angela Stewart Jen Sparks Sarah Smith

Meeting called to order 7:07pm

Dissolution of current council: VP Jay Blauer

Officers & Voting Members:

Chair – Jennifer Sparks

Treasurer – Lisa Murphy

Secretary – Sarah Smith

OCASC – Mark Tymowski

Communications - Heather Adeney

Members at Large:-

Ginette Taylor

Deanna Wainwright

Tim Pychyl

Janet Howse

Jen Fry

Agenda Approved: Lisa & Heather

June Minutes Approved: Approved by email

O/A Items:

- Team sports jerseys arrived end of last year & have been paid for.
- Application for PRO Grant. Jen will check with Creann.

Treasurers Report : Lisa

- Lisa will send out a budget for the year.
- Waiting on rain barrel invoice. Still don't know exact amount (approx \$2480).
- Based on allocations from end of last school year, have \$5k going into greening project (saved around \$40K), \$6K arts, \$400 gardening club. Remaining amount earmarked for tech (approx \$2340) once rain barrel invoice deducted.
- Approx \$1500 carried over from last year.

Principals Report: Colleen Irvin

- Thank you to everyone for being here & to Tim & Mark for a great Back to School BBQ.
- Enrolment down to 530 students, so staff allocation slightly down.
- Very smooth start so far to the school year. Classrooms already well established and work out on display.
- Financially in good shape. Don't yet know carry forward from last year. Planning to use the money to do some general upgrading. Eg round table in the front hall, upgrade technology, etc. Some money already spent on outdoor equipment for every class.
- OCDSB improved the website ocdsb.ca. New parent, staff & student portals. Encourage everyone to take a look.
- Great start with lunch & bus monitors. Thanks for all the donations of supplies & materials.

Teachers Report : Donna Christie

- Thank you for the great BBQ.
- **Sports:** junior boys and girls soccer; intermediate boys and girls football; cross-county running for both junior and intermediate students.
- **Clubs:** Lunch & Bus Monitors; Character Crew for students in grade 4; Huntley WE Team for Intermediate Students.
- **Assemblies and Events:** Ms. Roberts organized a wonderful assembly for students in grades jk-4. The theme was "You Be You". We completed our first fire drill on Sept. 11.

What's Ahead:

- Our grade 4 students will visit the Carp Fair for a workshop presented by the Carp Agricultural Society
- Volunteers in grade 6 will provide a bake sale on Sept. 14 and 15. The proceeds will be donated to the Red Cross for the victim of Hurricane Irma.
- Dot Day will be celebrated on Friday Sept. 15. Dot Day celebrates creativity, courage, and collaboration.
- On Sept. 20 Daniel Richer will visit Huntley and present 3 performances for all the students. His performances support the literary arts. Mr. Richer is a member of the Abenaski First Nations and he will present traditional folk tails that teach respect and harmony between all living things.

VP Report: Jay

- The start has been amazing. Reflected in how well the BBQ went tonight.
- Busses are running smoothly. Empty seats now handled centrally not through the school.
- Hosting soccer tournament for Jnr Soccer Tournament at Langstaff fields. 4 days worth of games. Several tiers of teams. To be held either first week in October or after Thanksgiving. Does hosting school provide refreshments? Do we want to host a canteen? Need more details to make a decision as financial & time commitment.
- Lastly, any issues please feel free to call in to the office & ask for Colleen or Jay, or email. Door is always open.

New Business

- **Committees:** OCASC – Mark; Xmas Bazaar – Janet (to contact Heidi Wieler); Arts Festival - ?; Gr8 Grad - ?.
- **Lunch program:** looking for volunteers to help serve lunches. Anita coordinating.
- **Fundraising:** Jen F suggested 'Fresh From the Farm' fundraiser. Needs investigating. Mabels Labels fundraiser still ongoing.
- **Bike rack:** needed for back gate as bikes are being discarded on Ginettes lawn. Colleen to investigate costs.
- **Meeting schedule:** First Monday in the month, except Dec, Jan & March.
- Big thank you to Tim & Mark (& families), Lisa & Debbie for a great bbq.
- Janet & Ginette – Tuesday morning coffee for parents to help build community for new parents especially.
Motion (Lisa & Tim): provide money for coffee. Passed by consensus

Next meeting: Monday 2nd October, at 7pm in the school library.

Motion to adjourn : Deanna & Lisa