

School Council Minutes
May 24, 2016 @ 5:30 pm

Present: Liz Wight, Jamie Kristoff, Kim Haney, Dominique Robichaud, Grazia Cianci, Debra Geary, Michelle Parrish, Julia Ennett and Kristy McFadden

Welcome guests: Robert Partridge and Katherine MacIver

Additions and Approval of Agenda - School Annual Report

Presentations:

(none)

Business arising:

1. **School playground Update**
 - town would partner with us but we need to do research on grants,
 - Community uses playground
 - Considerations on how to create an eco-friendly playground (ie: tires could be used, large rocks etc)
2. **Breakfast Club**
 - Running 5 days a week w/ steady attendance
 - Volunteers have been excellent, dependable
 - we need volunteers on Tuesdays
 - Dominique said she will come in early to help
3. **PRO Grant-Math Night**
 - 19 completed a rating scale on whether the night was successful, positive feedback confirmed observed data from that evening
 - Considerations from feedback: 1 parent said they wished the event was longer, 1 said it was in conflict with baseball, 1 needed more advanced notice
 - but overall it was a great, informative night.
 - The turnout was awesome with an attendance of 169!
4. **Eco-Team**
 - Candace is trying to get certification for Eco School status
5. **New School Branding**
 - looking at a fall launch and work throughout the summer
 - Jamie and Deb will assemble focus group, Michelle will do presentation with information
6. **Hockey Academy**
 - 162 from Ear Falls, GLC, RLMPS
 - Working on scheduling and storage of equipment
 - Meeting open to parents to ask questions at the High school on June 7th
 - Question raised as to specifics of budget, school council can ask for the specifics of the budget from school board
 - a letter to Joan Kantola will be drafted by Jamie
7. **Labels for Education**
 - Collect labels from Campbell's soup cans and we are able to trade them in for school equipment. Letter to be sent home to parents over the summer with a list of incentives for the students to see what is possible to get.

8. **Kindergarten Registration**

- Well-attended information night, with parents and children
- Open House was a success

9. **Celebrating GLC**

- Eco-School
- Music Program
- high academic standards
- Use of social media - Facebook
- Science Fair
- Breakfast club
- Student newsletter within our community

10. **PRO grant**

- Family Math Night
- photos went out to promote Math learning between children and parents
- For next year, consider parent council members direct parents to classrooms, maintain focus on Math

11. **New extra-curricular activities**

- Continuing to look for opportunities for our students

Principal Update

- Graduation June 20th at 5pm, Dance at St.John's 8pm,
- Jump Rope June 3rd,
- Last day carnival day middle block 10:35-12:55

Student Update

- Summer newsletter
- we need succession planning to keep this student newsletter going
- talk to Ms.Parsons' class if someone wants to begin writing for the newsletters.

Next meeting

- Tuesday, September 6th, 2016