

Nottawasaga and Creemore Public School
School Council Meeting

Date: October 6, 2015

Location: NCPS Library

Time: 6:00

Present: Sandra Gee, Jennifer Angus, Kristi Green, Juliette Reynolds, Gillian Harris-Sopinka, Alison Golding, Sharon Gummer, Deb Rowbotham, Jill MacAlpine, Lilly Martin, Terria Woodhouse, Michele Boileau, Jenn Jansen, Lisa Kristine Art

Regrets: n/a

Recorder: Emily Worts

Item	Presenter	Minutes (Action Items in Bold)
Review of agenda/additions	Sandra	
Review and approval of previous minutes	All	Will defer acceptance of June minutes to next meeting to allow new comers to review.
Standing Agenda Items	Sandra	
Principal's Updates and 2015/16 School Council Elections	Alison	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Election – discussion of voting process • Voting members on council this year will be- Michele, Emily, Sharon, Gillian, Juliette, Kristi, Jenn, Sandra, Deb, Jill, Terria, Lisa Kristine • Sharon self-nominated for president, Kristi 2nd it, all voted in favour. Emily self-nominated to co-chair, Jill to 2nd it, all voted in favour Kristi and Jen self-nominated to co-secretary, Emily 2nd it, all voted in favour <p>Updates-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reorganization- lost FDK class which translated to 3 staff (teacher, DECE and .2 planning time teacher). Caused full reorganization of all classes except 7/8. Staff that left the school were determined based on seniority and all three were relocated to other schools who gained staff in the reorganization process. • Athletics and co-curricular- cross country (coached by Jen Angus, Chris Phillips, Tanya Smith, Myrna Whitley, Jen Floyd, Leslie MacIntrye), Junior boys basketball (Mr Weir), intermediate boys volleyball (Mr Surowiec), spirit squad (Jen Angus, Tanya Smith), Junior girls basketball (Myrna Whitley and Lisa Doner Day). Not enough girls for Intermediate girls volleyball but some are going out to practice and help with the boys team. • Terry fox raised \$343 (more than last year, with less students!) • Break in- repairs to window and replacement ipad/ipod to come out of school budget, \$50,000 deductible for insurance. Estimated repair costs- \$264.44 + labour and GST for window, \$880 + taxes for electronics (approx. \$1500)- have sent paperwork to board to see if there is any way to recuperate any of the costs. • Possible follow up with Jen Jansen regarding parents willing

		<p>to donate tech in lieu of break-in</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Comic art workshop arranged by Mrs. Pike- free workshop for students in Gr 2-6 • Gr 5/6 War museum artifacts from Ottawa- created own war museum and had classes come visit/students presented artifacts • STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, Math) activities in many classes - idea is that these activities are hands on, cross curricular, make math and science more accessible to those who may have otherwise thought negatively about subjects like math. Part of board goal to foster positive math mindset. • Garden activities in many classes (thanks to parents for coming in and facilitating) • Social media- Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, Remind, school website. Purpose- attempt to be visible in our learning, to be accessible to people who access different media formats, to foster connections with our broader community. Students without media permission will not have identifiable photos posted. Paper copies always available in office. • Job action- Extracurricular activities are still happening. Teachers at NCPS very dedicated to providing excellent programming for our students. No EQAO results to share due to job action in the Spring. No open house this year due to job action. Upcoming- no progress report comments/K reporting/conferences unless settlement is reached. Labour Updates link from scdsb with details on CUPE/ETFO http://www.scdsb.on.ca/Board/Pages/Labour-Situation.aspx • Parent Resource Shelf- we have items, waiting for Mr Morrison to install shelf in front foyer. Juliette offered to itemize books for sign out. Hoping to have it up and running by end of month • Volunteer recruitment – with start up / re-org haven't done orientation yet but aiming to in Oct. Always looking for volunteers- office, food programs, reading • Shared booklet of items ordered from playground (\$13,000) • PIC (Parent Involvement Committee) meeting/orientation Oct 26th 4:30-5:30 Ed Centre- Alison will forward email to any parents interested in attending. Please forward info to Sharon, Emily, Jill.
Treasurers Report	Alison	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reviewed budget provided on annual report
Community Feedback	All	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Concern over enrolment changes. General consensus is it's been handled very well. • Grade 8 parents' concern- At what time do parents need to start organizing trip/grad in case strike is still going on? Can they? Not to worry until Christmas time (when planning usually starts). Discussion that there are so few grades 7/8 –consideration is being made to put them together and plan trips for grades together. • Ski Canada passes for grade 4/5- in newsletter
Business Arising from previous minutes	All	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • N/A

School sign	Sandra	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Currently there is \$3916.38 saved in school generated funds that has been allocated for "School yard improvement- school sign" • Mrs. Golding called Trillium this week for updated quote which will be provided by the end of the week as last quote was from May 2014. Need updated price from old quote as well as quote to include cost of removal of previous sign. • Also left a message with purchasing to inquire into other companies the board has dealt with- would like 3 quotes • Jen Angus talked to majority of teachers and teachers want a sign. See it as a welcome mat/communication piece. • Discussion of whether signage is still a priority. Vote on whether to continue to move forward with sign vs. poll the community to see whether they would support the money going elsewhere. Vote was 6 move forward, 5 poll the community. • Mrs Golding will provide 3 sign quotes at next meeting.
New Business		
Meet the Teacher <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Update 	Alison	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • At this point, with job action, teachers will not be conducting student led conferences but we remain optimistic that
Breakfast With Santa Date: Saturday, Dec. 5/15	All	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sub-committee to be formed • Sandra will chair the committee • Sandra will send out an email asking for anyone interested in helping to contact her
Hot lunch program 2015/16	Alison	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pizza and milk begin this week • Hot lunch need 1 volunteer to get up and running (Thursdays around 12:45-1:20ish) - Jen to help this week • Need 4/5 students to help deliver pizza • For next year council to consider selling water/apples at cross country meet
Fundraising Plan 2015-2016	All	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Apple fundraiser- Alison will set up a future presentation to council • Spell-a-thon fundraising idea from Lisa Kristine (February) • Clothing swap fundraiser (maybe April) • Dance- A Thon- (February) • Poinsettias- need 2 people to assist Norma- Jill potentially can help out depending on schedule and Sharon- anyone who left early and might be interested please let us know. • Would like more money added to "general school needs" on plan- this is open to transfer to all categories gives freedom to move surplus \$ as needed at the end of the year if it is not spent. Maybe add this to some of the larger fundraisers (breakfast with santa, milk, lunch) • Staff feedback- can we allocate this year to arts and woodworking? • Because there is still \$ in Int. trip- that will be divided between intermediates off the top of the cost of the trip <p>Did not have time to complete this item.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alison and Sharon to draft fundraising plan this week, send out for feedback and then resend version with feedback added for virtual vote prior to submitting (Due Oct 15th)
2015 Contact list	All	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • See names/emails above

completion		
2015 PRO Grant – Resilience SCDSB Memo 25	All	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We received the \$1000 Grant • Need to start to plan • Need a lead • Alison will email other administrators and ask for suggestions to bring back and share with council • Gillian do you have any thoughts on a mental health/resilience talk/event within this budget • Pick a date at next meeting
Parent Involvement Funding SCDSB Memo 24		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$500- can we put towards agendas which cost the school \$614.87 • Sharon put vote forward, Jill seconded it, all voted in favor
Completion of Admin profile to be handed in to board	Alison	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Did not have time for this item. • Alison will send out the questions on the profile, gather feedback and write, then send out for a virtual vote prior to submitting.
Adjournment Next Meeting: Tuesday November 3rd 6:00 pm		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Online feedback and voting re- fundraising plan and admin profile