

Percy Centennial School Council - Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, Sept 14th, 2021

Chair: Tiffany Klein

Attendance: Peter Cain, Tiffany Klein, Catherine Huestis, Katie Laver, Shawna Buttar, Jessica Barron, Johanna Allen, Sara Laver, Vin Chai, Alicia Leany

1. Meeting called to order at 6:34pm

- Land acknowledgment

2. Minutes of last meeting from May 11, 2021

- Approved by Alicia, seconded by Johanna

3. Treasurer's Report

- Total balance \$8484.36, no changes from last balance

4. Principal's Report

- Welcome to our new principal Peter Cain!
- Sept 30 is Orange Shirt Day
- Book Fair Sept 20-24 - In library - normally Open House happens at the same time but this year most likely cancelled due to Covid. Shawna will have kids make wish list of books with prices, parents send money back with kids.
- Parent volunteer situation TBD
- Teachers' PD - CRRP - Culturally Relevant and Responsive Pedagogy - recognizing that all students learn in ways that are connected to background, language, family structure, and social or cultural identity, teaching inclusivity.
- Ms Roddy trained for Empower Reading Program to close reading gaps within students - Percy will start program soon.
- School reorganization - primary student numbers high, supposed to be 1 to 20 ratio, for some classes Percy was over 20. Adding one grade 2/3 class will get Percy at or below 1/20 ratio. Other classes will be reorganized. Communication sent out this evening to parents. New classes begin Thurs, Sept. 16.
- Instrumental Music program now cancelled because portable will be taken by new Grade 2/3 class.

- Teachers are aware of anxiety in kids with so many school changes, they will be working with kids in transitioning to new classes.

5. Teacher's Report

- Tree removed on primary side, kids enjoying fitness path
- Toys and sports equipment - teachers are asking council to consider purchasing a second storage box

6. Nominations for positions

Chair - Tiffany

Secretary - Vin

Treasurer - Catherine

Hot Lunch Coordinator - Sara

All approved.

7. Topics For Discussion

- **Sandbox** - with Julie's departure, original plans no longer apply. Peter will look into board regulations/ liability issues for building etc., topic tabled until Spring, budgeted \$1500 from school council funds.
- **Hot Lunch** - if ok with health and safety, meals will be same as previous years. Pizza (Pizza by the Bakery) cost \$1.50/slice and subs cost \$3.50/sub. Pizza by the bakery has no paper plates, slices will be served on napkins. Hot lunch forms will go out Monday, Sept 20, start date in October.
- **Breakfast Program** - snack cart every day, filled by Tiffany and Loretta

8. New Business

- Fundraising - Apples - selling 5lb bag Cortland apples from Ms Russett's farm. Forms will go out soon. Pick up date will be Wed. Oct 6th before Thanksgiving.
- Alicia proposed Halloween dance-a-thon, kids get pledges for dancing. Classes split into dance times throughout the day. Try to get water and snack donations from community. Council agreed to move this to January or later.
- Alicia proposed first aid kit sales instead of Poinsettias for Christmas, council will make a decision at later date.

- Council voted to do three fundraisers, Apples, dance-a-thon and First Aid/Poinsettias.
- \$10/child from school council for field trips and other programs, tabled until October meeting.

9. Meeting adjourned at 9:05pm

10. Next meeting

- Next meeting Tuesday, October 12th, 2021 at 6:30pm