

Percy Centennial School Council - Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, Nov 9th, 2021

Chair: Tiffany Klein

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

1. Meeting called to order at 6:35pm

- Land acknowledgment

2. Minutes of last meeting from Oct 12, 2021

- Approved by Catherine, seconded by Johanna

3. Regional Council Meeting Report

- Ella's dress code petition was discussed, decision will be made, members were very proud of Ella's work on organizing petition.
- Conflict of interest between having school board do playground inspections and schools having to purchase new equipment from school board, board will revisit policy.
- Financial obligations of school council were questioned, eg. school council having to pay for playground inspection. Board will be looking into this and asking for feedback from all chairs.

4. Teacher's Report

- Teachers like request forms
- Positive response for Poinsettia fundraiser
- \$10 per student may not be needed this year because field trips are not happening until at least after January

5. Principal's Report

- Progress reports out Nov. 19, electronically through Edsby
- Official opening of walking trail, Ms. Gray and Trustee attended along with 3 classes, students did ceremonial walk around trail

- Two remembrance day ceremonies, one on Nov. 8 honouring indigenous veterans and second one on Nov. 11
- Thank you to Johanna and Mr. Brackenbury for work on garden
- Congratulations to Keane Campbell, Rebound short story contest winner for Junior category
- Change to dismissal routine, walkers now leave at 3:11pm every day, before buses leave
- Dress code update: Peter presented Ella's petition at last staff meeting, moving forward with new process, focus group of students and staff will review dress code through equity lens
- Extracurricular activities are returning, archery will start in new year
- Field trips will slowly be revisited
- Volunteers are slowly returning to Percy
- Board is still working on estimate for sand boxes

6. Treasurer's Report

- \$8557 currently in school council funds, projected shortage of about \$1300 but after fundraising this year we should have enough funds to cover all expenses
- Subway sandwiches are \$3.50 *plus tax*, we charge \$4.50, profit is \$0.54 per sub. We did not include tax when estimating initial profits. Proceeds are now ~\$300. We need to possibly raise price to \$5 per sub. Motion to raise to \$5 by Johanna, seconded by Katie. Motion passed. Catherine will ask Sara to negotiate with Subway for \$3.50 *including tax*.
- Poinsettia school sales are at \$1814, community sales ~\$1300
- Apple fundraiser profit is \$702
- Ms. Hogg is planning Outdoor Ed field trip in January and possibly second trip, will teachers need the \$10 per student? Most teachers have not planned field trips yet so this will remain on hold.

- Peter clarified that current School Council can only raise money for current year and money from current year cannot be set aside for following year, therefore \$10 per student budgeted for next year can be removed from budget.
- Head lice checks: School council is responsible for paying for head lice checks. School council needs to pay for whole school lice check, not specific classes. Woman who has done it in past for Percy charges \$1 per head. Motion to not spend school council funds on lice check made by Vin, seconded by Katie. Majority voted to pass motion.
- 98 Chrome books currently in school, 20 of them expiring at end of June 2022. Peter will be spending Principal's fund first on Smart Boards for school, then will spend on replacing as many of the 20 expiring Chrome books as possible. He estimates he can replace about 10. School council may need to plan to fund raise for more Chrome books. School has received 6 new Chrome books from Cameco grant and 6 from School Council.
- Shawna and Peter will discuss licensing fees for iPad apps

7. Topics For Discussion

- All spending decisions made by school council cannot be changed after February
- Basketball donations - no update
- Poinsettia distribution will be Dec. 1 or 2nd, Katie will update
- Council filled out Principal's survey

8. New Business

- Parents Reaching Out Grant - \$1000 given to school. School decides on what workshop/seminar to do. Alicia proposing online safety for kids workshop. Deadline to apply is Dec. 6th. Council will hold another meeting to discuss ideas.

9. Meeting adjourned at 9:00pm

10. Next meeting

- Next meeting Tuesday, December 14th, 2021 at 6:30pm