

St. Mikes SCC Meeting – October 28, 2020

Attendance: Dean Loberg, Megan Casganette, Melissa Swayze, Melissa Bocian, Twyla Molnar, Deanna Schwindt, Laura Frost, Allyson Van Roon, Jen Matyjanka, Nicole Garling

Opening prayer

Adopt agenda as presented

**Motion made by Melissa Swayze;
Seconded by Twyla Molnar. Carried**

Review September 23, 2020 meeting minutes

**Motion made by Deanna Schwindt to accept meeting minutes as presented;
Seconded by Melissa Swayze. Carried**

Existing business

- Playground
 - phase 1 is done and looks great. Sandbox and swings were moved and are in a good positions for the kids
 - Phase 2 will be the extra pieces and phase 3 is the rubber paving;
 - Going to take a breather from fundraising for it for now
- Fruit
 - \$12-15/week is being spent currently
 - There is usually one student that comes regularly
 - Leftovers @ the end of the week got to the classrooms to get eaten which was done 3 times this past month
 - Will continue with it for now
- Teacher appreciation – Cost was \$425 so under budget from the approved \$500 and was well received by staff
- Playground equipment
 - Snow toys and balls were purchased
 - Still a bit yet to spend

SRC Report - None

- Haven't started up yet

Principal's Report - Dean

- Went through the calendar for the month of November
- Father Francis is going to come and visit and would like to make regular visits to the school so was decided he would come the second Thursday of the month
- Student led conferences are at the end of November and will be held virtually
- Mass – can have one grade at a time attend as long as they sit with their cohorts (in classes); they all go on a separate bus
- COVID update
 - Still at level 2 for now

- Went through the communication process if there was a positive case
- Letter on communication if we move to level 3 or 4 was circulated to obtain feedback prior to it being sent to the parents; feedback was provided on this
- Christmas concert – currently looking into it to see if it can be done virtually; no decision made yet
- Tech
 - Still have chrome books coming but everything is still backed up
 - Kids are getting communication on 'Be Internet Awesome' which is if they are taking a chrome book home they have to complete it which addresses responsibility of having it etc.
- There will be 3 maternity leaves and 1 retirement all in April 2021
- Grade 9 Aboriginal Studies – want to turn part of the playground into a traditional medicine garden

Hot lunch – Megan

- Hot lunch refunds
 - Half of them are paid out; majority are being donated back
 - BP credits is sitting at \$1,47.84

Fundraising Report

- Baba's perogies
 - Melissa B brought forward this opportunity for a fundraiser
 - 20% back for what we sell; have to have 200 items to get money back
 - If before Christmas would need to have to them by first week in December
 - Discussion was held that everyone liked the idea but decided to hold off on this one for now as it is too close to Christmas and we are doing Solo Italia in January but a good option for later
- Christmas Store at school
 - Won't be done this year however they are still doing the hampers so may be reaching out to us to ask for donations

Treasurer Report – Melissa

- Current cash balance as per the division is about \$20,000.
- Went through operating budget as follows:

○ Fruit	400
○ Shrove	500
○ Music Festival Awards	100
○ School awards	400
○ Sacraments	300
○ Face to face presentation	1,200
○ Teacher apprec lunch	500
○ Playground equipment	2,000
○ Teacher’s Day	500
○ Misc items	800
	\$6,700
- Note: Back to school BBQ and pancake lunch not included but would be about \$1,500 total

**Motion made by Melissa to accept budget as presented;
Seconded by Twyla Molnar. Carried**

New Business

Parking

- Police chief and mayor Roy came to assess the school zones and parking at the school. There is a proposal to go to City Council to approve which includes:
 - 30 zone – moving signs to fix it so it’s the outside of the intersections
 - Eliminate parking across the street of the school as there are no sidewalks so kids would be jaywalking (and are) across the street to get to parents’ vehicles
 - Will have to park on Park Street or Hartney for pick up so kids will use crosswalks

Mental Health initiative

- Megan has been sending a personalized email to each teacher to thank them for what they are doing to show appreciation for all of their efforts. Deanna indicated that she did a great job as they were all personalized.
- Also did goodies for teacher appreciation day which was well received
- Other options were discussed as follows:
 - Google forms are ready to go where students can add comments to their teachers or other staff to do up small thank you cards to send out once per quarter as an option. Cost would be around \$400-500
 - Breathwork with Janelle – she could do for kids and teachers in groups then build breathwork/body breaks based on teachers requests; she could also create something for the teachers individually. Her cost is \$1,000

- Teacher fit – online annual membership for teachers and students with video clips for things like yoga or other exercises. Cost is about \$1,200
- There are 2 grants available which are the share to care grant and the deep learning school well being grant
 - Share to care grant was applied for as the deadline was up so applied twice; one for the breathwork and cards; and the other for the teacher fit. Waiting to hear back on these
 - Will apply for the other grant for the Breathwork and if we get the first grant use it for teacher fit as we wanted to ensure to get Janelle in
- Was decided that we would do the cards either way
 - Will do them quarterly rather than monthly so Jan then March then June
 - Forms will go to parents and students after the SLC's
 - Get the forms back the first part of December
 - Look at getting together one night to write the cards out

Next meeting date Dec 9 @ 6:00 pm