ECVS Home and School Association Meeting Minutes November 1, 2022 7:00 p.m. ECVS - Library

Present: Sarah, Cory, Tracy, Michelle, Ashlee, Sandy, Araceli, Nick, Maria

Regrets: Tannis, Kris Verwey, Jodi Patterson

1. Welcome

• Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2. Chairperson's Report

- Sarah is going to write a letter from ECVS Home and School Association to the school board of the importance that staff are trained in First Aid
- Cory is going to purchase a gift from Home and School to give to Alison Van Damme for her years on Home and School as Teacher Rep (\$50 - \$100)
- 3 raffle baskets will be purchased up to \$100 for the Christmas concerts supporting local businesses, 1 basket/concert
- Ashlee Bruno made a motion that Cassandra Pehura be removed as chairperson and signing officer of ECVS Home and School Association, Sandy Ferguson seconds the motion, all present were in favour

Cassandra Pehura

Tannis Dejaeger

 Araceli Rangel made a motion that Sarah Proctor become the chairperson and signing officer of ECVS Home and School Association, Sandy Ferguson seconds the motion, all present were in favour

Sarah Proctor

Tannis Dejaeger

3. Treasurer's Report

• Stride account balance as of Nov. 1, 2022 is \$19,513.88

4. Principal's Report

- Students had lots of fun in the school Halloween parade
- This month is kicking off with Purdy's chocolate fundraiser fundraisers go directly to student activities and resources for the classroom
- No classes on Nov. 4th, as teachers will be writing report cards. Parents should receive report cards on November 24th. Teachers are using a new SIS computer program to input the report cards. Possibly have some challenges for teachers.
- Today's newsletter were sent out via email successfully
- Natalie Guimond-Low, new vice-principal, is heading to Ottawa for the ACPI conference-L'Association Canadienne des Professionnels de L'Immersion. She will be attending with the Divisional French Immersion coach Christina Neufeld. An area of focus will be on recruitment of French Immersion teachers, FI for Refugee background learners, French as a second language teacher retention, school improvement plans for French Immersion, early screening and structured literacy.

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- Welcomed some new staff this month: Ms. Zebrun in grade 2, Ms. McIvor EA, Ms. Lovett EA, Ms. Chodacheck EA and Ms. Pearson EA.
- Later this month hosting an Indigenous education art project with artist Annie Beach. Each class will get to work with Annie and paint rocks. Special thanks to Mlle Luce for writing the Smarts grant for the entire school. Also grateful to receive a second upcoming Smarts grant which will allow to bring in Woodlands artist! Thanks to Mrs. Van Damme for writing the successful grant.
- December will be the three Christmas concerts taking place on December 13 (K), 14 (1/2E) & 15 (1/2F) at 1:30 pm

5. Teacher's Report - Michelle Hauser

- MTS PD Day was a success with staff enjoying and benefitting from the PD they chose on October 21st
- On October 24th, Divisional PD Day in school and French teachers getting together to collaborate
- The Halloween Parade was well received and class parties celebrated
- November 4th is Divisional PD Day for upcoming report cards
- November 10th is the School Remembrance Day service at 11:00am
- November 11th is no school for Remembrance Day
- November 24th, report cards get sent home

6. Fundraising Plans

- Christmas Concerts
 - □ We will have 50/50 draws on each day of the concerts Dec. 13th, 14th, 15th
 - □ Tickets will be 1 ticket for \$2 or 3 tickets for \$5 (both 50/50 and raffle)
 - U We will have 3 raffle baskets put together 1 for each concert
 - □ Silver collection
- We will look into selling Mordens chocolate bunnies again
 - □ Saima and Cory will look into this

7. Special Events

• Terrier Hockey Game - January 13, 2023

- A box is rented at Stride arena to invite families who have never experienced a hockey game to come and watch while enjoying some rink snacks
- o Tracy, Mr. Botterill and some members from home and school will join for the evening explaining the game
- o Mr. Botterill's son, Ryan will come and meet the families after and sign autographs
- o Michelle and Tracy are going to make a list of families to invite

Christmas Staff Appreciation

- Sarah would like to purchase boxes of 'Hot Paws' for staff to use while outside with the children. All present were in favour
- o Cory will ask Cassandra about the little Christmas bottles of hand sanitizer purchased last year as a gift as well

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Outdoor Skating

- o Clear a skating rink and skating path across from the school on the lake
- o Invite will be to all families for a afternoon of free skate
- o Families can come with skates or skates/helmets will be available to borrow
- o Hot chocolate trailer will be resourced and set up for a hot treat
- o Thinking about February for this event

• Spring Fling Dance

- o Choose a date at a later time, thinking about April or May
- o Have different types of dances and music
- Math or Literacy Night
 - o Michelle is going to look into this
- Spmge/Dunk a teacher
 - o Plans will be made at a later time

8. Next Meeting

- December 6, 2022 at 6:30pm
- Look into nominating a teacher for the Minister's Award
- Pizza day, hotdog day, donut day