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MINUTES

FFCA North Middle School Council Minutes

Date | time December 1 , 2021 | 6:34 pm

Members

Council

- Ummul Banin, Chair
- Zenita Lalani, Vice Chair/Secretary
- LeaAnn Triska, Fundraising Coordinator
- Jyleen Wong, Parental Partnership Coordinator

Staff

- John Deines, Principal
- Jim Poirier, Associate Principal
- Ms .Clare- Teacher Representative
- Ms. Freeman- Teacher Representative

Absent

- Charlotte Berghofer , Fun Lunch Coordinator
- Kinjal Patel, Treasurer

Approval of Agenda

- Motion to approve the December agenda
Motion – Ummul
Second – LeaAnn

- Motion to approve the December agenda as presented approved at 6:34 pm

Approval of Minutes

- Motion to approve the November minutes as presented
 - Motion – Ummul
 - Second – Le Ann
 - Motion to approve the November minutes as presented approved at 6:34 pm

Chair Update (Ummul)

- Snack packs for Christmas are underway. The pack will have cookies, chocolates and a candy cane
- Fundraiser survey results- 59 people responded
 - Parents want the funds to go to school resources and special events
 - They would support 1-3 fundraisers a year- Learnathon and Cocobrooks were the top picks
- Bullying awareness poster has been sponsored
 - An electronic motion was made by Ummul to pay \$260 to cover the prizes from the contest. Seconded by Jyl. Carried
- One December 15th, an electronic motion was made by Zenita to pay a \$50 deposit to Beyond the Wand for an interactive virtual show for the AGM on May 19th. Also to purchase 4 \$10 gift cards from Tim Hortons for the custodians. Seconded by Ummul. Motion Carried.

Teacher Update

- Snacks pack orders are going well- 246 orders so far

Fundraising Coordinator (LeaAnn)

- According to the survey results we will hold a Learnathon in February. Possibly a google form and make it a cashless fundraiser to submit online via the FFCA website.
- Will plan to have a Coco Brooks fundraiser around spring break
- On December 15th an electronic motion was made by Le Ann to pay \$100 towards the memorial fund for Julian (a former student who passed away from cancer). Seconded by Charlotte. Motion Carried.

Treasurer Update (Kinjal)

- No update
- Balance is \$3487.78

Hot Lunch Update

- No update

Community Partnership

- Tentative date to start planning for clearing snow from neighbors' sidewalks
Will plan to get a volunteer class to go out and send letters to the families in the neighborhood- will figure out logistics. Will possibly make door hangers for families to indicate if they would like their snow removed. Will provide hot chocolate to the volunteers.

Volunteer Update (Jyl)

- No update

25th Anniversary (Ummul)

- No update

Goals (All)

- Staff and students for this current school year is out top priority.
- To be able to do small fundraisers and initiatives to have a minimum of \$5,000 council bank balance available for the next council to start off.
- End of the year breakfast where earlier it was always planned at the beginning of the school. This could tie in with the coming Stampede season and hopefully have a casual day with that theme and other fun activities planned for students.
- Start planning for AGM special event and Grade 8 farewell gift-will look into a photobooth

Administration Update (John)

- Ideas for spending:
 - Shoe racks to accommodate 2 pairs of shoes for each student in the class
 - Lego for grade 7 - \$300
 - Mr. Williamson and Mr. Pittman would like \$1-200 for their economy program
 - Beautification of the inside of the school
- Roger and Kurtis came to visit the schools after 600 days of being away due to Covid-19
- The school may have a Fun Day before the break – may ask Council for funds to help support some of the costs

Chair Report ASC Update (Ummul)

- High School Update Working on a scholarship program Core subject in both High Schools are identical, electives differ based on how many students are registered.
- Board Update Board is a volunteer governance made up of parents to represent the parent community. 4 candidates for board elections. December 7 is the Live Forum with the candidates and December 14/15 is Election Day.

- Campus updates

NWE - Fundraising is on a pause to give parents a break - Kindergarten fun snack and fun lunch planned for Nov 19 - 220 boxes of apples were sold.

NEE - Approved birthday card for staff in digital format - Activities being planned to engage students and parents and staff - Clothing apparel fundraiser

NHS - May have a new treasurer soon. Have received a possible interest. - Oct 1, Susan Boyd took on Principal educator role and Colin Marshall as Associate Principal - 3 parents volunteered to create Remembrance Day presentation - Celebrated World Teacher's Day with treats and student lead initiatives

SHS - Looking at hoodie to represent inaugural year for SHS. Leverage an opportunity with Champion Apparel. - Looking at perogies fundraiser. - Trying to get a society group together. - Grateful for ASC helping to fund their first year. - Trying to put together a fun lunch with a food truck

SWE - Apple fundraiser sold 118 boxes. - 150lbs of apples was donated to the food bank. 1 box each for teachers and 1 box for school. - Getting parent volunteers to input hours – which is at 16% SMS - Few fundraising being planned or ongoing (i.e : In-lieu / Dieleman fundraiser / Casino) Page 4

SEE - Working on fundraising goals - Halloween with inflatables went well - Working on art fundraiser for Christmas - Working on building connections in classrooms.

- Superintendent Update Tried to replace the Parental Partnership list but can't do this year as logging in of hours has already started. Applied for the grant to help address education gaps related to COVID.

FFCA received approximately \$90,000 to address gaps in grade 2 and 3. This was based on the screening for literacy and numeracy gaps and now they will determine the next steps to make the most impact.

A communication was sent out regarding the vaccination policy. Staff have until Dec 10 to prove they are vaccinated or show proof of a negative COVID test every 72 hours. FFCA will fund tests at this time, using leftover COVID funding (not out of FFCA budget).

Waitlist renewal is underway. Currently there are almost 15,000 on the waitlist. Most of the student vaccination clinics were cancelled due to lack of interest. Phoebe will check on numbers. She will also get an update on plans for vaccination clinics for 5-11 year old's.

Meeting adjourned at 8:04 pm

Next Meeting

- Next Meeting January 5th 2022