

PARENT COUNCIL MEETING – May 26 2015

Present: Mrs. Parker, Mrs. Hughes, Mrs. Geromella, Mrs. Greco, Mrs. Vella, Mrs. Cronin, Mr. Mauro, Mrs. Piazza, Mrs. Ban, Mrs. Pihack, Mrs. McGurk

Regrets: Mrs. D'Intino, Mrs. Travassos

Opening Prayer: Mrs. Geromella

Minutes: Motion to pass – Mrs. Cronin
2nd to Motion – Mrs. Vella

Principal Report:

- Still in process of purchasing desktops, smart boards, ipads, speakers for smart boards, switches for smart boards (makes smart boards more accessible for visually impaired), cables for smart boards to make monitors more portable
- Considerations being made for purchases of physical education equipment, benches and bleachers as well as some new technology

Taste Buds

- Is now fully implemented - five days per week
- We are in receipt of grants for this program however it is still not 100% funded
- Focuses on three food groups – dairy, grain, fruit/vegetable
- Cost at less than \$1.00 per student
- Have received donations from other schools – one school donated \$3000, three other schools have donated \$500
- Looking at a substantial donation from the Super Intendant
- We have been recognized as being on target with food guidelines
- Looking for donations ... possibly parent counsel – end of year donation?
- Staff still volunteers time for this program
- Will be a booth at Welcome to Kindergarten
- Spirit day on June 17, proceeds to Tastebuds

Cooking Club

- Kids “graduated”, had dinner, received certificates and gifts

CYO Sports

- Went well especially with help from volunteers and parents

EQAO Testing

- Grade 3 and 6 students
- Testing done over two weeks
- Submissions done first week of June

Faith

- May Crowning Thursday May 28
- Mass with Father Mark
- Key chains for Communicants, Confirmandi

Health and Safety:

- Two fire drills to be done before end of school year
- Fire Safety Audit to be done in June
- Fire Department will do presentations for the kids
- Improved security for the school, two key fobs are now available for teachers during school hours to access back doors

Nevada:

- Balance of \$2608.36
- To receive cheques at the end of May and end of July
- 2013/2014 - \$5121.62 spent on shirts and agendas
- 2014/2015 \$6218.48 spent on shirts/agenda
- Nevada to cover agendas for next year
- Motion to Pass: Mrs. Ban
- 2nd to Motion: Mrs. Piazza, Mrs. Vella, Mrs. Cronin, Mrs. Greco, Mrs. Hughes
- Motion Passed
- Nevada has upcoming changes at board level, more information will be provided when available
- In September it has been asked for someone to take over as it is Mrs. Ban's last year this will provide overlap for training

Upcoming dates

- Next Parent Counsel Meeting – June 24 @ 6:30 (year-end meeting)
- Play Day – Dofasco Park – June 18, Harvey's is providing lunch
- Ice Cream Day – June 17 (ice cream sandwiches to be delivered June 10), will be done during second nutrition break, from Terracotta – nut free, chocolate chip cookies with vanilla ice cream
- Spirit Day – June 17
- Report cards out June 23
- Volunteer tea – June 16?
- Teacher appreciation – June 25
- Welcome to Kindergarten – June 9
- Track and field – June 4
- CYO Chief Gala Dinner – September 10(?) benefits Camp Marydale and CYO programs
- Rockin Ray Beach Party – June 6, \$20, proceeds benefit St. David school, music, casual attire, food
- EQAO first week of June, Grade 3 and 6 classes are preparing
- P.A. days – June 5 and June 19
- Last day of school – June 26 @ 12:30 pm

Treasure Report

- Balance \$11,600
- \$1,100 from other account
- Balance approximately \$10,000
- \$5 per student was provided for year-end trip
- \$25 per grade 8 student provide for grad dinner
 - o \$440 for ice cream sandwiches
 - o \$323 for communion/confirmandi gifts
 - o \$1250 for grad dinner
 - o \$2350 for end of year trips
 - o \$1000 to be donated to charity
 - o \$2350 for buses?

Motion to Adjourn (7:36pm) - Mrs. Cronin
2nd to Motion – Mrs. Vella