Selkirk Elementary School Council

Regular Council Meeting

Monday, October 17th, 2022

Or via Zoom

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**Call to order:** In the Music Room!!! 6:30pm

**Presentation:** Grant Hartwick (Music teacher) is looking for funding to support dance lessons starting October 24th with instructor Dale Cooper (which had been running prior to the pandemic).

**Festive Follies Family Nights –** 6 nights in December with cohorts for families (2-3 classes per night, 2 nights per week for 3 weeks). School council supportive. This would help restart Selkirk Family night. See below. Consider getting rid of the risers.

**Introductions:** Jennifer Jerome (6/7 Teacher & Yukon Association of Education Professionals representative), Grant Hartwick (Music Teacher), Nicole Schroeder (School Counsellor),

**In attendance:** Tim Kucharuk (council), Grant Hartwick (Music Teacher), Nicole Schroeder (School Counsellor), Tina Busetto (Council), Leslie Dorian (vice-principal), Janna Swales (Council), Nicholas Vienneau (principal), Melanie Davignon (Council Chair), John Coyne (Council on zoom), Zoe Morrison (parent), Jennifer Jerome (6/7 teacher & Yukon Association Education Professionals representative)

**Regrets:** Marilyn Marquis-Forster (Superintendent)

**Approval of Agenda –** Janna moved to approve the agenda and Tim to second. All in favour

**Approval of September 19th, 2022 meeting minutes-** Janna moved to accept the minutes and John to second. All in favour

**Family night –** Nicole Schroeder and Nicole Dore having been working on a proposal to restart Family night at SES in the new year. Each class would get to come in twice and activities would include: snack to share prepared by families, crafts and/or activities in the gym. SES staff attending may include Nicole S and Nicole Dore, potentially 2 EAs and a LAT. There is a food activities budget/application requesting ~ $ 4250.00 total for the year going Yukon Food for Learning (YFFLA). Mel has been working with Nicole S on this. Note: it was suggested that this application and the school application be combined vs two separate applications to YFFLA. The goals would be start small, to provide more equitable opportunities for families and the school would be looking to build community and connection. Potential to continue in the spring.

**Treasurer’s Report-** Currently $3610.67 in the bank, $6500.00 coming in from the Department of Education.

**Principal’s Report-**

* Student/caregiver interviews went well, YFNED provided food
* FTGU box distribution went well
* Professional Learning Community was held, staff picked aneome?, French immersion, outdoor education, decolonizing and indigenizing school.
* Lunch Program – YFFLA application request funding to support regular fruit baskets
* Friday Pancake breakfast with classrooms supported by YFNED, teachers sign up their classes. Staff is going to include this in newsletter
* Replacing juice boxes with water
* Meeting with Trevor Gustafson
* Email from staff went out about parking
* YFNED biweekly boys club
  + Starting hand games team
  + Fish camp next week
* Moose hide tanning which was held by Kajusta. Everyone very appreciative of this opportunity.
* EA positions, 2 kids moving to Elijah Smith so EAs moving with them, compromise to not lose 1. 7 families should have EAs, at least 3 of had allocations previously, Workplace RA;
  + Letter to the department, business plan for Dept of Ed?
* 5/6 French Immersion position hired. They are looking for housing, arriving the first week of Nov.
* 1/2 French Immersion position was offered to someone but not hearing back.
* Health Behaviour in School-Aged Children Survey (HBSC) to start Oct 24th where Grade 6/7 students will complete the survey.
* Blue slip tracking (incident tracking)
  + 56 slips (Sept/Oct) 23 students, 12 students had with 2 or more
  + notify parents depending on the situation

**Old Business (Updates):**

**Parking lot/Selkirk St Safety update- YESAB, comments closing Oct 25th. July/August 2023 to be completed? Intersection is getting closer to completion, curbs closed to finished.**

**Application for funding bus and swimming lessons-Every Student Everyday**

**Swim lessons start early November. Busing is ~$31.51 per student (16 buses round trip), teachers signed up classes. There was a discussion about allocating $1000.00 for those who may not be able pay. Janna moved to spend $1000.00 towards a fund for those families who may not be able to pay call it the “Sunshine Fund” and Tim to second. All in favour.**

**Bussing-we’re signed up to be notified if buses are not coming so we could track it!**

**Letter to Minister – There has been no response. Mel is going to send a follow up email to request acknowledgement of the initial letter.**

**New Business:**

**Presentation:** See above re: Grant Hartwick’s presentation. **Janna moved for to approve Grant’s request for $1320.00, Tina to second. All in favour.**

**Budget: Council please send John what you are doing with honorarium.**

**FSL Advisory Committee Tuesday, October 18th 6:30pm to 8:30pm - Monique is going, Janna may be interested in attending.**

**AYSCBC Fall Conference Nov 4-5. Council received invitation and anyone who is interested may attend**

**Grade 8 and 9 French Immersion – potentially moving from FH Collins to Porter Creek high school, move it away from FH. Nothing is confirmed.**

**Selkirk Sensory Room Assessment Tina was approached by a member of the Parent Advisory Committee more re: a** general request to look into areas in our school that may present a safety situation for staff or students, for example, any areas where a staff member and a student would be required to work one on one, such as the LAT room, sensory room, etc.

It's not to identify any wrong doing, it's to assess the current situation so that we can identify ways in which we can improve these situations for overall staff and student safety.

Leslie offered for council to tour school next meeting.

**Information Items:**

Health Behaviours of School-Aged Children Study, 2022. Next week Monday to conduct survey

Discussed fundraising ideas.

**Next regular meeting:**

Monday, November 14th, 6:30pm in person and via Zoom