

The SCC meeting on January 15 began at 7:00 [p.m.](#) We looked over the agenda, Janelle adopted this and Alicia seconded the motion.

Financial Report

There is \$7300.49 in the bank account. There are still two cheques needed to come from that. \$63.77, From the Twink Tour cheque to Janelle and \$85 to Sandy for the gift basket. We are just waiting on the signing power. Motion to adopt- Carmelle, second the motion- Chantelle

Under old business, The Store of Giving event was discussed and noted as having gone well, with lots of positive feedback. There was not a lot of items that had to be donated to Salvation Army. It was a trial and error on the hot chocolate. We need more volunteers next time making it but tasted great. There were three people working/making the hot chocolate. The Coop needs to have proper lids for the hot chocolate. They gave us 16 ounce lids for 8 ounce cups. The 12 ounce cups would be great because we did not fill the hot chocolate all the way to the top allowing for some extra room in the cup. There was not a lot of feedback on the cookies. It was great to have some of the Trojans volunteering at the event and helping out. With Santa being the same night as the event and being apart of the Bingo card, the Coop donated a basket. Tim Hortons had called asking why we did not use them this year. There were a lot of juice boxes left over this year. With making the hot chocolate there was not a lot of waste this time around.

Back drops- There were not backdrops ordered. KayLnn might have some to donate. We should have them in the order queue. They cost anywhere from \$10-30. We could use the backdrops in many different events.

Principal Report- There is a couple of changes in the staff. There is a new outreach worker as well as a new administrative assistant. There was a part time EA position which has now turned into full time. Before Christmas the enrollment at the school was 373 students. There are now currently 362 students. The projected enrollment for next year is 362 students. The Holiday Events were well attended. They are trying to work with families to make sure they are checking in at the office when entering the school and not just going to the classroom. The grade five teachers and students are working on an anti-bullying assignment/presentation. They are working with the outreach worker and trying to refuse the rolls from teacher to student which they will be presenting in an assembly. The assembly will coincide with pink shirt day. Some students are struggling with respect to staff and students so the staff are trying focus on ways to better this. There was positive feedback from the better together tshirts from before Christmas. There was possibly some discussion about having an exchange with shirts in the community. New students to the school all received a new shirt. Family literacy day is January 27. Possibly can do some family engagement. The SCC will see what we can do in regards to this. The grade 3 students are excited to be starting their own leadership activity. They are having a creative club. The students are making coupons which they will be distributed to students for positive reinforcement. Sandy is trying to come up with an award for this. January 30 is school improvement planning. There is no school for students. Teachers will be spending some time that day to be working on equity/school goals/ and the school matrix. The first week of February public health will be in for dental. The school break is in February. On February 13 Sharon Meyers will be in doing

a presentation on First Nations. The school book fair was a success. There were a few new facility updates at the school. There were new toilets, sinks, and counter tops installed. The roof at the school has been an issue and has been leaking. They did some repairs on the roof in the summer but still continues to leak. Hoping to have another look at it in the summer. There are a few different clubs that are going on at the school right now. They are wanting to try/start up some basketball and badminton. The archery program is just starting up. The best buddies program will be starting soon which will have the grade five students working with the younger students with higher needs. The Chums program will be starting in January/February. Some students have not seen retakes yet from school pictures as well as not sure when class pictures will be coming. One of the bus drivers, Jackson, passed away last year. He was the longest bus driver in Canada. There was a sign made that will be hung on the fence at the school which will say "Jack's Way" as an appreciation for all he has done.

Christmas Concert/Activities

After the concert/activities there was a lot going on with shuffle and transitions from different grades. The parking was also a lot with having grades coming and going. The activities in the room were well received. The activities that were more hands on seemed to go over better, especially with younger siblings. The activities in the classroom seemed to go over better than in the hallway, not as much traffic.

New Business

Staff Appreciation- seems to do better to have things for the teachers from Tuesday-Thursday. Talked about having snack mix, special drinks, easy snacks for teachers to grab. There are 34 staff members. Usually do three days of snacks/food for the staff. Volunteer have done homemade snacks/food. We will do one meal for the staff. One way to get volunteers is calling parents to let them know about staff appreciation. We will also create a sign up genius for how parents/volunteers will sign up for food/supplies. Carmelle will go to 2 for 1 Family Pizza to talk to them about supplying a hot meal for staff. Family Literacy day is January 27. The resource center has Patty Torrance coming in reading her story to families that attend. Talked about having Patty come to the school. Could do a muffin from Save On or Coop. If this was done, we would have to make sure to order enough for the entire school. Instead we will do a picnic lunch allowing families to come join their child. Students and Families can either bring their own book or read one provided from the school. Student Led Conferences are March 18 and 19. The first night is later from 5:00-7:30 and the second night is 3:30-6:00. For the later evening we talked about having a taco in a bag/tacos for staff. For the earlier set we will do buns, meat and cheese. We will also have dainties and salty snacks to go with that. Janelle will do a sign up genius for this. There are 20 teachers to feed. There was talk about doing an engagement basket for students that would have interactive activities. This is done during the Student Led Conferences. In the past there has been two baskets, one for older students and the other for the youngers students. Usually spend \$100 for both baskets. In agreeance to purchase the baskets, Motion- Chantelle, second the motion- Janelle.

There was discussion on potential fundraising for Telemircale. The division was asked if we could do teams but have not heard anything back. In the past there was a pizza lunch but did not go well accounting wise. We talked about how we can set up our own

fundraising page and families can donate right to the page instead of having teachers collect the money. This is usually done for Terry Fox, Jump Rope for Heart, and Telemiracle. The school and staff will come up with an activity for students to partake in for Telemiracle.

Planning Goals

The school is still looking for fundraising. We have done Mitchell's fundraising. We are looking at different fundraising options. Carmelle will look into smelly pencils fundraiser. We are still looking at the town to plant trees. As of right now we do not have enough money for grants. Some people have done wild bills pizza for fundraising. Coop is also one that groups have done. We need to make sure not to do the same fundraisers as other groups in the community are partaking in. Could reach out to Family Pizza to see what they could do. Carmelle will talk to them when she goes in to talk about pizza for teachers. Mabels Labels was another option. There was also talk of plant seeds, or jerky from the Bulmers. We will start an fundraisers page amongst the SCC board and discuss different options of ones to choose from. There was talk about having more than one fundraiser running at a time. We are looking at one or two more fundraisers for the year and then looking at ideas for next year.

Hot lunch ideas came up for within the school and to try and have them a couple times a year. Hot dogs are easiest and very cost effective. Pizza was easy as well. Tim Hortons was done in the past but did not go over well, same with Subway. We could talk to Jay and Gus' to see what they could offer. Hot lunches are not a way to make money instead something fun to have going on at the school. There was talk about having this at the end of May. Usually a Sign up Genius is done for it and have two-three SCC members helping out. We will either do hotdogs or pizza. We will talk to Family Pizza about it.

Family Engagement/Support Ideas

There has been a Bingo done in the past. This could be done around Spring/Easter. There was also discussion about a nickel carnival. This could also be put onto the Google Doc and SCC members could add to it.

Communication

Important to have clear communication with meetings or bigger events/ideas we are planning. Both have worked well, but important to get information out sooner so that everyone is informed well in advance. Lots of the communication is put onto Sandy and wondering if others could step up and help her out. The new administrative assist was just hired but hopeful she can help with some of these tasks. One week seemed like a reasonable amount of time to be posted for reminders about meetings/events. Alicia said she will help Sandy out with some of the postings. Sandy said she will share the SCC meetings to the division.

Constitution Review

There was talk if we want to discuss the motion/proposal with Stacey Lair or to do it on our own. We decided that one or two members will go away with the motion/proposal and then return that to Stacey. Stacey can then review it in June and have it in place for

our October AGM 2027. At our March meeting we will discuss further our constitution review and come up with a sub committee and have a proposal for May. The next meeting is March 12 2026. We adjourned the meeting at 9:34pm by Jance and Chantelle seconded the motion.