

Isabel Campbell Public School
School Council Meeting
Agenda for Wednesday September 13th 2017

1. Call to order - 6:31
In Attendance – Gloria Hartford, Bradi Baker-Bowen, Brandy Venhola, Kerri Hyndman, Shandra Vigen, John A Scott, Matt Pepper, Brian Mayea, Ryan Humphreys, Amanda Johnston, Melanie Gour, Anita Lyons
2. Approval of Minutes for June 14th - Gloria approves them
3. Reports
 - a) Principal: Mr. Matthew Pepper Welcome everyone. Start-up has been good so far. 13 different new staff members in the school (Matt welcomed them by name). BBQ meet the teacher went really well. Huge turn outs. Volleyball just started out for grades 7 and 8. The school has gotten new furniture for seating in the upstairs foyer. Catholic school has invited the public district to an information workshop explaining the School Council Purpose, and fundraising Association Introduction. On Sept 27th from 6-9 at St Catherine School. Mr. Sylvester, he is the staff person behind the school fundraisers, (which won't be very many as the school is still very much supporting the playground so all funds will go towards the playground), but there needs to be some school fundraisers. The start-up one is Deilmans. The money raised from this will be going to sports teams, clubs, Hoja, etc. Grades 7/8 have elective courses, and changes have been made as is possible. Storm hockey game tickets have gone out about 2 per class. Mr. Mayea spoke to the fire drill on Tuesday. It was under 8 mins that the whole school was out of the building. Next drill will be by the end of September.
 - b) School Board Trustee: new trustee "buddy" will be assigned for November's meeting; no trustee report at this time.
4. New Business
 - a) Nutrition - Amy Bartlett (parent) to present a few ideas, then open floor for discussion about the Apple Program. Amy wasn't present but passed the information on via text. She has talked to Freisen and they will match our financial input. 160 pounds of apples per week is the plan at this time. This would be for any child to grab whenever they want. Getting a corporate sponsor to donate the money for the portion we owe is a suggestion that was made. Approx. cost will be about \$120 per week. Students will be doing the washing, approx. 10 kids, as well as the refilling. Kids at the school Amy mentioned were awarded a pizza party etc. as a thank you at the end of their term. We feel that the apples are a good starting point. Can add more to it after the pilot project if it is successful. Parkside school did this, had parents donate the food, admin took care of it. This was for 450 kids. Where would be key apple spots for ICPS? Perhaps the office, upstairs location as well. Nooks could be used, per grade level, and then go from there. Admin will start pumping it up on the announcements, and we will see where it goes and expand as needed. 6 weeks pilot project, possibly get Freisen to donate the initial project, and we will start with 8 bags of apples, and go from there. Leadership class could take this over. Board nutrition policy, #164 was reviewed and a discussion of said ensued. Most of the canteen options are from the serve least list, however it was noted that too much alteration will force the canteen to close. Swanavon school is doing the pilot food project in the school district. We will see in the future how this initiative pans out. Matt will talk to the canteen about trying to get more 'choose first' options on the list for the students.
 - b) Perseverance challenge (Shandra Vigen) explore ideas on how to get students involved in activities that promote perseverance. How to build perseverance in the children. Grade level challenge, or things that might be good for each grade level (links, etc.). Challenges to build up perseverance. Recycling, is a good example because lots of children give up too easily. A toolkit idea, is an idea of how to persevere through a challenge.
 - c) Winter warm up campaign (Shandra Vigen) explore the possibility of running an in-school program; similar to Coats for Kids Donation for our own school children. Shandra offered to wash and size etc. We will collect and we will keep mitts and hats, while donating the rest to Coats for Kids or similar.

d) Letter from Education Minister. Gloria Hartford read the letter to the group. We will be emailing David Eggen to request a meeting with him. Gloria will be forwarding the email to Matt, Shandra and Anita.

e) Open forum for ideas/topics parents would like to discuss: Parent said thank you for making the class sizes smaller. Matt will share a blurb about the school council.

5. Next meeting and AGM: October 11th 2017 at 6:30

6. Adjourn 7:34pm