

## LES Home & School Meeting

April 25, 2016

Present: Stephanie Hutt, Shannon Golding Naves, Nancy Hossack, Patti Doyle, & David Ripley

Meeting Began 6:35pm

### **Updates:**

Hot Lunch: Papa John's costing now includes delivery charge. There was confusion in our billing as it appeared that we were being over charged by a couple of items each week. Upon investigation, H&S was made aware of the delivery charge. There was one other week when they used an old order request to fill a current week's order resulting in extra items being sent. When this was questioned, company only charged for the corrected amount. Students are enjoying the product from this company. There is the ability to have gluten free Caesar salad. Nancy to check into having a vegan option. Orders staying the same and revenue is consistent.

### Finances:

Current amount is roughly \$20 000ish in bank. Changes depending on where Hot Lunch is in paying providers and collecting orders from students. All tutors have been paid. School still requires a cheque to cover various items teachers' purchased. \*\*There will be a need to change signers on the account in May, and to have the newly appointed Treasurer completed an updated reconciliation of the account.

### Library:

Things are going well with the library. Amanda Winchester is getting new books (20-40) processed each week. More volunteers are needed for Millet Gr. 3 and Dawes Kindergarten classes. They are Tuesday between recess and lunch. Other than that, things look good. No backlogs of books to be shelved like in years past. Extra copies of books to be shared with local schools. Shannon is going to contact her Aunt about volunteering. Shannon Naves will ask her Aunt, who is interested, about helping. Shannon will follow up with Amanda

### Family Fun Day:

Shelly was unable to attend – she will forward an update soon. Overall report is that things are coming together very nicely.

### School Updates:

Skating on the Rothesay Common – Thank you to H&S in covering the cost of 2 busses to move 200 students to a morning of skating on the Common. Students and the many parents who joined them enjoyed the outing. It was a great reward for the 10 classes who completed Mr. Kelley's Physical

Challenge. At some point a bill will be coming from the District for this cost, which H&S agreed to pay (approximately \$250).

Tutoring – approximately 30 students benefited from this 6 week program, and feedback has been positive from UNB tutors and the parents/teachers.

Harlem Globetrotters – We were able to host a player named Zeus, He was very good with our students, had a great message on Bullying, and showing off various basketball tricks at the end of his presentation.

House Teams - our latest gathering focused on what a friend is and how to make a friend. Next House Team is May 5<sup>th</sup>.

Telus Cup – Grade 3 – 5 students were invited to watch a game in the Telus Cup hockey tournament.

*\*\*A Volunteer at the TELUS Cup complimented teachers on how well behave the students from LES were!!*

Plastic Bag Grab Challenge – as a school we collected 11 382 bags which were delivered to Walmart for recycling. Teachers made use of the data to help in teaching math. Students also used their creative abilities to design wearable clothing out of the bags. We are waiting to hear how we did against schools from across Canada.

Lakefield Alumni Scholarships – deadline for applicants was April 25<sup>th</sup>. We have received 7 in total. These will be shared between the selection committee over the next couple of weeks. Winners will be announced as soon as possible and awards presented at the High School Graduation.

Upcoming Events –

Quispamsis Middle School band on Tour, May 5th

House Teams, May 5<sup>th</sup>

Fred Fox (older brother of Terry Fox) from the Terry Fox Foundation will be here on May 5th

Other:

Request from school for funding to help with final Physical Challenge cost. School is exploring taking the winning classes to the QPlex for an hour of swimming. Would need help with bussing cost and maybe pool cost. Members present were OK with this, and request will be forwarded to Chairs/other members of the committee to ensure consensus (follow-up to David).

Request from school to help with funding for testing. Cost will range from \$1500 to \$2800. Due to privacy concerns complete details were not shared with Group. Patti Doyle spoke about the benefits of having this test completed. Members present were OK with this; but it will need to be explored further as payment to third party assessors from a Home & School committee may not be an approvable action. David to consult with Chairs on this item.

Request from school asking H&S to explore and maybe plan the steps forward on improvements/replacements to the Kindergarten / Gr. 1 playground area. This will be a large ticket item and requires planning. This will also be a multiyear project.

Request from school for help in covering the cost of the Grade 5 Graduation (\$500) and Field Day (supply of a cool treat).

H&S Positions to be filled for next year include: Chairpersons ( Shannon Golding Naves & Stephanie Hutt will consider to being co-chairs for the coming year). Current Chair will follow up with them.

James Finlay was asked and agreed to be our new treasurer. (Current chair will follow up with him)

Andrea Fenwick maybe interested in doing something with H&S. Will be approached to see what she may lend a hand to.

Nancy Hossack asked about signing authority for H&S checking account. It was decided to look at asking the new treasurer, hot lunch coordinator, and possibly either school admin support / School Principal. It was felt that these people would be the consistent members of the H&S.

**Meeting Adjourned at 7:45pm**

Minutes respectfully submitted by D. Ripley; edited by B. Keyes