



GARDEN CREEK HOME AND SCHOOL

Minutes – Tuesday, November 17, 2020

6:30 pm – Microsoft Teams

Present: Rebekah Thompson, Holly McLean, Samantha Robichaud, Katherine Campbell, Amanda Williams, Theresa Ghanem, Andy Han, Julie Werner, Ellen Oakes Thompson, Jennifer Sutherland-Green, Stella Park, Elyse Kelly, Amy White, Emily Greenwell, Adebola A, Megan Hamlyn, Robyn Kenney

Regrets: None

- **Welcome & Introductions**
- **Adopt minutes from previous meeting – 1st Julie, 2nd Hannah**
- **Fundraising**
 - Silent Auction – Amy White & Stella Park are leading this. Using an online platform to populate all of the things that are collected. Will have catalogue put together by Dec 2nd and bidding to start Dec 3rd (2pm-8pm). Payment will likely be in the form of cheques. Have been to many businesses with good feedback so far. If there are any other ideas, please let Amy know.
 - Theme Baskets – 1 basket per grade (7 baskets total – K-5 and a staff basket). Set up through cashless schools to buy tickets. Rebekah to get crates and wrapping supplies; Rebekah, Ellen, Julie & Amanda will wrap the baskets
 - Chapters Night – Will set up virtual Chapters fundraising event Nov 23-27. Amanda to lead this.
 - Direct Fundraising – to raise funds for playground and technology. Will wait on this for now and talk about it again in the Spring.
- **Virtual Bazaar week for the children**
 - Prizes to be given out daily this week
 - Dec 14 – red and green day or Christmas sweater
 - Dec 15 – make take home ornament for kids to give as gifts (no Santa's workshop this year)
 - Dec 16 – read aloud by classroom teachers; cookies and hot chocolate for morning snack; Santa to go around to say 'hi' to each class after recess

- Dec 17 – coloring/drawing for K-2 and 3-5 with prizes
- Dec 18 – Christmas themed clothing/pjs for movie day with treats for the children
- **Treasurer's Report**
 - Current balance ~\$11,000
 - Expenses:
 - Equipment for Carole Plourde \$2,000
 - Teacher reimbursement (26 teachers, 8 EA's) \$3,400
 - Outstanding deposits:
 - Scott's Nursery ~\$60
 - Mabel's Labels ~\$60
 - Garden Creek Garden Club Loan \$4,000 (to be repaid in March 2021)
 - Total balance after expenses: ~\$9,700
 - Reserved monies \$8,000 (garden loan + \$4,000 in account for beginning of next school year)
 - Total current available funds ~\$1,700
 - Need to make more money before we can do any further spending!
- **Hot Lunch**
 - Will wait until after Christmas to start this
 - Great Canadian Bagel is a straight-forward option to start off
- **Teacher's Report – Needs/Updates needed**
 - Waiting on supplies to arrive that have been ordered by Carole Plourde
 - Need a ditch/drain to get rid of the water
 - Still waiting on basketball nets to be fixed
 - New purchasing policy – need to buy in New Brunswick
 - Equipment in bins lacking – need a list from teachers of what they need and send a message to parents in memo to see if they are willing to donate excess items they may have
- **Recycling Box**
 - Will start this back up again
 - Katherine to send out in memo that its starting up again
 - H&S can take first month
 - Subsequent months open to classrooms who want to take it on to earn extra money
 - If teachers don't take it on then H&S will do it
- Look into registering the Home and School as a charity; Andy to look into the requirements for it.
- **Meeting adjourned at 8:02pm**

Submitted by Rebekah Thompson

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