



**School Council Meeting
October 3, 2018**

Members in Attendance: J. Harman, P. Dang, J. O'Connor, K. Lacey, E. Fung, J. Kossick, M. Racine, M. Pon, D. Miller, J. Phung, N. Fisher, Y. Gebrewold

Guests in Attendance: None

1.0 Call to Order: 6:15 pm by E. Fung

2.0 Additions/changes to the Agenda: AFS update

3.0 Approval of Minutes from: September 12 and October 3 to be done on November 7

4.0 Student Council Report: D. Omairi grade 9 reported:

- Members: We currently have 20 members: 8 directors and 12 committee members. There were 44 applications this year. Setting up google classroom page has been started for students for reminders and communication.
- We are still waiting for students to submit their chocolate sales funds. Students who sold their whole case by Sept 28 gets to attend activities at a discounted rate. Some students are selling second cases to help raise additional funds for the year.
- Funds from student council were used to help bring in the pig for the Terry fox run
- Upcoming events:
 - We will be discussing and planning our Halloween activity for Grades 7-9 this coming week. Ideas for Halloween activities have not been finalized yet, but the members of student council have a few ideas about activities students will enjoy.
 - Mufti Days:
 - Friday September 28 - Terry Fox Run Day
 - Monday October 1 - Orange Shirt Day (with uniform pants)
 - Wednesday October 31 - Orange or Black (no costumes)
 - Friday November 23 - Comfy Day (no pajamas)
 - Wednesday December 19 - Red, Green or White
 - Friday January 25 - \$2.00 Hoodie Day (Funds will support our Legacy gift)
 - Thursday February 14 - Red, Pink or white
 - Wednesday February 27 - Pink Shirt day (with uniform pants)
 - Friday March 15 - Green, Gold, Yellow or Orange
 - Friday April 26 - Dress your best
 - Wednesday May 1 - Hats on for Mental Health (with school uniform)
 - Friday May 31 - Rainbow Day Challenge (Have your classmates wear as many different solid colored tops as possible)
 - Thursday June 27 - Athletic Casual Sports Wear



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5.0 Board Committee Meetings: E. Fung reported:

- Policy Committee: October 4 @ 4 pm - 5:30 pm
- Board meeting: October 15 @ 6:30 pm

6.0 Guest Report: None

7.0 Elementary Principal Report and Key Events of the school year: J. Harman reported:

- Mrs. Scantlebury going on maternity leave and will be replaced by Miss. De Boer who was a former Aurora school student. - Thursday October 4, 2018 to meet parents and kids official start next Tuesday October 9, 2018.
- Professional Development days: In September worked on the Inclusion policy so the teachers can have their ideas added before it went to the board for approval. Working on new math in Grade 2 and 3 program, it's the same program that we use in grade 1, 4, 5 and 6 trying to integrate it. Working on the committee work for all of the special events that the teachers help run. This takes a lot of effort from the teachers to put it on. We will be having a special presenter from Alberta Health Services to speak about Self regulation skills for students. Last year we had a presentation on Anxiety in Children which we found helpful. Vertical integration to see how we can make the transition into the next grade easier in December, we are planning that and will be looking at how the new math program is doing for the grade 2's and 3's. Grade 4 curriculum special projects on that. Teacher professional growth plans due October 31. Another presentation in November Mindfulness for students.
- Major events - special presentation - Internet Safety for grades 3 and 4
- Grade 4 - lights and Shadows presentation
- September 27 - Terry Fox day moved - \$767 was raised
- Orange Shirt Day - the reasons why we wear the shirts were explained in class and the experiences in residential schools were explained at grade level.
- Custodian appreciation day - gift cards to give the team
- Teacher appreciation day Friday - Fun things planned for the teachers.
- October 10 and 11 Picture day
- Reading week last week in October (Oct 29 to Nov 2). -Special Events - "Bookknics", "Reado (like Bingo)", 2 big events planned - on the mufti day they can dress like their favourite story book characters and they would bring their book with them or they can wear Black/Orange. Wear a word day Nov 2nd, we are going to create a human dictionary, see if we can make a classroom page
- November 9 - Remembrance Day Celebration at 10:10am.



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- Clubs - Last day for running club, fitness club back field, choir - grade 3 and 4 and 1 and 2 will be in the spring, grade 4 Cubs Leadership club, grade 4 Ukulele club. Crochet and knitting club 45 potential students signed up.
- 2nd fire drill - we need 6 in a year 3 fall and 3 in spring
- Field trip permission forms - posted online payments - term 1 payment and paper forms go back to the teacher.
- 2 parents volunteered to take pictures, still need a volunteer to help build the yearbook.

8.0 Middle School Principal Report and Key Events of the school year: P. Dang reported:

- Grade 6 and Grade 9 PAT results have been relayed to the teachers who are reviewing the results and will be submitted to the board. The results will be released to the public on October 18, 2018.
- Lockdown drill to take place soon once it is coordinated with the resource officer Constable Darren Bear.
- October 18th and 19th PD days: the math and science teachers will be attending joint conferences, same presenters on different days. Self regulation PD presentation from AHS.
- Report cards will be released on November 23rd, 2018 comments and marks due November 19, 2018.
- All probationary teachers going through evaluations by Mr. Dang and Mrs. Tran.
- New teachers have been paired with veteran teachers as a mentoring process.
- Terry Fox run was successful held on September 28, 2018, the winning class got to choose a teacher to kiss a pig.
- Orange Shirt day October 1, 2018.
- Reading week underway, book tasting for grade 5 and 6. They are enjoying snacks while reading and there have been special presenters from CTV Morning news and Sarah Chan, the Mayor's wife will be coming to read to the kids.
- Athletics - 5 and 6, 7 to 9 cross country running was successful, girls soccer team lost, the boys have their gold medal game tomorrow.
- Volleyball tryouts have started and there is a new program for grade 5 and 6 to start learning volleyball skills so that they are ready to join the team in grade 7.
- Lunch time intramurals and Citadel Club started, and Student council
- WE day on October 12, 2018 last year and this year Leadership clubs will be attending.
- 3 student teachers are starting in October.



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9.0 Treasurer's Report: J. Kossick reported:

- **Previous Balance:** \$12,395.04
- **Revenues:** \$5,101.41
- **Expenses:** \$0
- **Balance: \$17,496.45**

10.0 Fundraising Report: E. Fung reported:

- **ADmazing Savings:**
 - Total \$5,600; Profit \$2,352
- **Harvest Bundle:**
 - Total \$5,889; Profit \$2,107.28
- **Waterpark, Sunday, April 14, 2019, 9 am - 11 am (and stay all day); \$20/ticket**
- **Top three fundraisers picked from seven options (Mixing Spoon, Popcorn, 1st Aid Kits, World's Finest Chocolates): Poinsettias, Booster Juice and Baked Cookies. Survey to go out next week.**

11.0 Request for Funds from School Council:

K. Lacey reported the following requests for funding from Elementary:

- J. Harman - Grade K-4 Winter Heritage Day - \$1,500

Motion: M. Pon

Second: Y. Gebrewold

Motion Carried/Motion Lost: All in favour

J. O'Connor reported the following requests for funding from Middle School:

- A. Joblinski - Grade 7-9 December event TWOS - \$247 remainder
- A. Joblinski - Grade 5-9 Science Fair - \$2,000
- J. O'Connor - Grade 5/6 December event - \$700

Motion: To fund \$2,947 N. Fisher

Second: Y. Gebrewold

Motion Carried/Motion Lost: All in favour

Fund Requests on hold:

- **Elementary School:**
 - T. Oullette - Grade 4 Science Fair - \$300
 - N. Shields/T. Oullette - 2 Grade 4 classes Bennett Centre Field Trip - \$88
 - J. Harman/M. Healy - Grade K-4 30 singlets in small sizes - \$500
 - V. Dias - Grade K-4 PE Dance for 1 week - \$816
- **Middle School:**
 - V. Leong - Grade 5-9 Scoreboard - \$500-\$1,000
 - A. Joblinski - Grade 5-9 Science Olympics - \$700
 - V. Leong - Grade 7-8 boys basketball team jerseys - \$500



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12.0 New Business:

12.1 Front Door Security Feedback (J. Harman/P. Dang)

- Looking for feedback on what parents think about the front door - most schools have some locking system during the day. We still want a open and welcoming school but we need to think of security. Potentially locking the door from 9:30am - 11:30am and open until 1:00pm and then have it locked until 2:45 pm (depending on busy times at the school).
- There have been no incidents, the school is trying to be proactive in the school security.

12.2 Aurora Fundraising Society (AFS) update

- Since last meeting the application form has been started, quite lengthy and one of the questions was what would we use the funds for. Emailed the teaching staff regarding what we need to have on the list. Deadline October 15th, 2018. Then the application will be submitted. If there was anything that needed to be changed, another application would need to be submitted. Please contact M.Pon for suggestions.

12.3 Candy Cane Reindeers

- Volunteers to help make the candy canes for an Elementary school fundraiser. There will be more to come.

12.4 Food Bank Drive - Middle School

- Will start on October 6, 2018 and the winning class gets a bonus mufti day.

13.0 Announcements: None

14.0 Topics Tabled for next Meeting:

15.0 Next Meeting: Wednesday November 7, 2018 @ 6 pm in Learning Commons

16.0 Adjournment: E. Fung moves to adjourn the meeting at 7:47pm.