

St Kateri Academy Parent Council Meeting - November 17, 2022

Attendees: Lisa Giacobbo, Sherry Gagne, Chris Postill, Karra Krywko, Stacey Palidwar, Shanalee Brenneis, Michelle Wilkinson

Call to Order - 6:32 pm by Chris

Land Acknowledgment - Chris
Metis Prayer for Metis Week

Amendment of Agenda: Lisa
Approval of Minutes: Michelle, seconded by Shanalee
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Teacher's Report - Karra K. and Stacey P.

Grade 4's reading the novel "Thirst". Readings from all over the world. Jason Paik reading with class from Los Angeles and Karra reading with class from Pennsylvania. Possible social justice project re: water crisis in Indigenous communities in Canada.

Social Studies: Amazing Race project. Clues all around the school. Kids are creating brochures, commercials, etc.

Christmas concert: Songs to be sung in Cree and sign language.

Diverse Learning: Trying to reach as many students as possible.

New mathology and curriculum. Trying to jumpstart the new curriculum prior to it being fully in place.

Dynamic Options: Art. Sewing will be done next term. Kids will create pillows and emojis.

Counseling - grief and loss. Rainbow Program hoping to start at the end of November.

Surveys were sent out to parents of kids in all grades re: anxiety, parent support, friendships, etc.

Buddy groups: 4 boys in grade 5 buddied with grades 1, 2 and 3. Helping to organize for the day, play games, support and mentoring.

Boys and girls group - alternate Wednesdays. Talking about friendship goals and conflict resolution. Group put on by Stacey P and Caitlin Josey.

Admin Report: Lisa and Sherry

Discussion of past school events in October and beginning of November. Halloween penny carnival, lockdown and fire drills, Bison breakfasts and PJ days, Tea and Bannock event, Rosary with Father Trini, Book fair and PT interviews, grade 5 Indigenous games and activities, Remembrance day ceremony, Bison lunch recipients.

Safety patrols, lunchtime heroes and student council.

Grade 2 showcase event, Magnet unit game using recycled materials.

Upcoming events - Nov/Dec:

Dec 5 - report cards

Dec 21 - Christmas concert at MCCC @ 6:30 pm. Dress rehearsal at 10:30 am. Will be asking for food bank donations. Possible fundraising opportunity (front row seats, 50/50, gift basket raffles. Discussion about having coffee/hot chocolate available for all after the performances. May add chips/water/chocolate bars for purchase. Friends of SKT to discuss further.

Teachers Fundraiser Wishlist:

Gift cards for classroom items, cover/shade for outdoor classroom, popcorn maker, school bus slush fund (\$500), two additional 6 pack ipads w/ tub (\$2000) to top up grant application GSACS, mini laminator for staff use.

Trustee Report - Noreen not present. Read by Lisa. (emailed to council)

Old Business: None

New Business: None

Friends of SKT Report - Michelle and Shanalee

Clearing up DFS and Farm to School fundraisers.

Council of Councils meeting on January 23rd. Discussion re: parent engagement grant.

Cookbook in progress, should be ready before Christmas.

School dance - tentative date March 3rd

Paint Night to be held at BP's. Would cost approx \$40 per person. Date and details to come later.

Next meeting December 15th.

Meeting adjourned: 7:42pm