

October 4, 2023

SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING

Wednesday October 4, 2023

Present: Tammy Phythian, Amy Brown, Melissa Robson, Sarah Paiero, Sharon Couzelis, Chantelle Wilken, Natalie McDougall, Aysha Imtiaz

Absent: Tracy Archie

Welcome

Council Elections:

T. Phythian

Nominees:

This year's Council and Roles

Co-Chairperson: Sharon Couzelis, Aysha Imtiaz

Secretary: shared Tracy Archie

Member at Large: Sarah Paiero, Chantelle Wilken, Natalie McDougall

Community Representative:

Teacher Rep: Tracy Archie, Melissa Robson

School Administration: Tammy Phythian, Amy Brown

The Role of School Council

School Council is an advisory body that makes recommendations to the school principal and/or the board on matters as stated in the Education Act, applicable legislation, and board policy.

Advisory Body is a group established to provide advice and recommendations. An advisory body does not have final decision-making power. (Ministry of Education, School Councils: A Guide for Members, 2001.)

Council members are to maintain a school-wide focus on all issues. Council meetings are not a forum for discussion about individual parents/guardians, students, staff, trustees or other council members.

<p>School Update</p>	<p>During September, all students are placed in tentative classes to manage fluctuating enrollment. The Ministry of Education sets requirements for class sizes. To adhere to these requirements, we will be making final adjustments to classes on September 26th. As a result, of lower than expected enrollment, we had to undergo a reorganization. We lost a kindergarten class, resulting in most classes moving a few students.</p> <p>We held our Terry Fox run on Thursday, September 28th. It was a beautiful day and students from JK-8 ran around our school yard in support of cancer research. As a school we raised \$740.00. Way to go Sharks!</p> <p>Our Meet the Teacher is Tuesday October 10 from 5-6pm, We are expecting a good turnout this year.</p> <p>On September 29th we honour Truth and Reconciliation day by wearing orange shirts and participating in a variety of different classroom activities.</p> <p>Picture Day is coming up this Tuesday October 10th.</p> <p>Innisfil Fire is bringing their safety trailer to our school on Friday, October 13th for the day. All JK-3 classes will have a chance to tour the trailer and learn about fire safety at home.</p> <p>Our cross country participants are currently running at recesses. Students will be selected soon and will compete in the Regional cross country event on October 11th.</p> <p>We also have try outs taking place for: Int Boy Volley, Jr. Boys Volleyball, and Int. Girls basketball.</p> <p>Student leadership opportunities involve, snack bins, bus helps, lunch monitoring, character education assembly leaders, Eco Team, game leaders starting soon</p> <p>This year we will be hosting Character Education Assemblies. Student that are exemplifying specific character traits will be honoured at the assembly with a certificate.</p> <p>Construction update: The Board is going to be adding additional sod, as a result the fencing will remain in place for an additional month once the sod has been laid.</p>
<p>Budget</p>	<p>An updated report will be shared at the November meeting. Budget is just rolling out.</p>
<p>Fundraising</p>	<p>Want to use Lunchbox - will decide items Popcorn - sales on Fri</p>

	<p>Barrie Colts - Feb 15th</p> <p>Parent council will put a list together of options</p> <p>Tim Horton Smile Cookies - Killarney will no longer be supported through this initiative.</p> <p><u>Fundraising plan will include:</u> Terry Fox, Canadian Legion for Poppy sales/donation, Photography, Book Fair and Art Cards, hot lunch, Barrie Colts</p>
Field Trips	<p>Teachers are planning field trips.</p> <p>Transportation is costly, we are doing our best to keep costs low for families.</p>
Meet the Teacher Night	<p>October 10th - 5:00 to 6:00 in person with the teacher.</p>
Conferences	<p>Parent/Teacher/student conferences will be Thursday, November 16 4:00 to 8:00 and Friday, November 17 9:00 to 12:00.</p>
Other Business	<p>Volunteer Key Point Person: hot lunch, snack purchasing (Sharon is going to check pricing of No frills and to have a 2 week pre-order).</p> <p>Beach Party date (June 6th - Thursday before PA day)</p> <p>Battle of the books - check with Meaghann Walton</p>
Next Meetings:	<p>November 7, Feb 12, April 2, May 7,</p>