

PAC Meeting Ecole Elementaire Sir James Douglas Elementary School

Wednesday May 16th

1. Camp Pringle

-Jenny brought it to the PACs attention that there are 11 students that cannot pay or can only pay a portion of the \$115 fee to attend the overnight trip at Camp Pringle.

Julia motioned that the funds be reallocated within the budget to accommodate this expense as it was not budgeted at the beginning of the year.

Jen seconded and all were in favour, the motion was passed.

2. Spring Dance

-Decorations are under control with Monica and Teri

-Jen has posted the sign up sheet online for volunteers

-food: executive are making chili, jen has ordered pizza, Jenn will get ice cream & popsicles, cotton candy machine potentially

-Lighting and sound -Laura has ordered, Monica will return on Saturday after the event

-Games; Laura and Emily have ordered a bouncy castle & bubble machine, ball hockey in the drive thru, some games from the Halloween dance, Twister?

-Posters need to be completed -food and suggested donation -Monica & Teri

-Recycling -Nicole to contact Moss Street Market about using their set up.

Pancake breakfast

-Laura going to Costco for supplies

-Nicole to follow up with Red barn re: fruit

-Pedersens for large grills, Jen to pick up

-Julia to pick up small grills from Galavan

-Grills will need to be returned after the event -Brian

3. Elections

Alice moved and Nicole seconded a motion to elect the following individuals in to the respective positions. All were in favour. Motion passed

Co- Chair -Nicole Caldwell and Adrienne Jopp

Vice Chair -Laura Jones

Treasurer -Alice Cochran

Secretary -vacant at this time

Members at large-

Tanya Binette

Monica Carthy

Julia Hudson

Maylyn Elliot

Emily Hull

4. Travel Committee

-Bike to work/school week coming up May 28th to June 1st.

- SJD is registered as a team for the week.
- Police will be doing the bike rodeo for the grade 3s in front of the school (annual event)
- Wednesday there will be a celebration station at Moss and Fairfield set up by the Bike to Work Organization
- Friday school will start at Clover Point and parade up Moss Street to the school. The goal is zero cars at the school for drop off. It marks 101 days of school.
- Prizes still needed for this week

-Audrey Smith the Chair of VPAC is creating a new society to address the need for crossing guards in the district.

- SJD has received a \$1,000 award for the participation in active travel. The Cheque has arrived.
- Also awarded were two school presentations from Science World
- Bike repair station now has all the parts and is hopefully being installed this week.
- Two bike racks were also awarded and will be installed in a location that is deemed to be most appropriate.
- A bike shelter for some bike racks is being developed.

5. School Supplies

- all lists from teachers with catalogue numbers are in. Review of everything to make sure it is correct and then finalization.
- Kindergarten link will be ready for May 24th for the Kindergarten Open House
- The rest of the school will follow
- Cut for orders will be the end of June
- Delivery is scheduled for the Friday of the first week of school

6. Principal's update

Rainbow week

- this week is dedicated to celebrating gender diversity
- new books arrived in time to celebrate including "A Day in the Life of Marlon Bundo"

Kindergarten Open House -May 24th

- new program this year
- trademarked but no logos will appear on the distributed materials
- new focus for parents to prepare their children for Kindergarten
- It will be held during the school day for 90 minutes
- Parents will work through different stations with their children
- Families will go home with supplies for the activities that they did in class as well as books

September 2018 School Start up

- 2018/19 school year will be different for Kindergarten

- SJD is participating in a pilot project designed to decrease anxiety, increase the school's understanding of the children, collect data and an outside organization will make recommendations for class composition.
- Tuesday will be a Picnic lunch (?)
- Interviews will follow (15-20 minutes) with both teachers
- 1.5 hour sessions with classroom teachers in the classroom environment including parents
- Classes will ideally be established by Monday.

School composition for 2018/19 is currently the following but subject to change:

- 13 French divisions
- 9 English divisions
- one fewer divisions from the current year

The District is focussed on inclusive learning spaces for the upcoming school year

- SJD has been flagged as a red school due to the lack of available space for these 4 rooms