

## Dale Road School Council Meeting – Wednesday September 18, 2024

**Present:** Ron MacDonald, Lena Lefave, Jennifer Kirkwood, Christine Firth, Carrie-Lynn Walsh, Monika Peters, Colleen Credger, Jill Butler, Sara Taylor

**Regrets:** Sara Stewart, Ashley Fuller, Alanna Cretney, Rebecca Crilly

### **1. Welcome and Introductions:**

- Meeting called to order at 6:00pm
- Sign in form was circulated to record attendance.
- Attendees introduced themselves.
- Lena Lefave is teacher representative.

### **2. Council Positions:**

- Christine Firth was nominated for the position of Council Chair; all in favour.
- Sara Stewart volunteered for the position of Co-Chair; all in favour.
- Sara Taylor was nominated for the position of Secretary; all in favour.
- The position of treasurer to be determined at next meeting. *Post meeting note: Ashley Fuller volunteered to fill the position.*

### **3. Principal's Report:**

- Ron shared results of KPR's Aggregate Data Analysis re. factors that foster a sense of belonging including: Clubs and Extracurriculars; Staff-Student Interactions; Welcoming Environment; Community Connections; Supportive Practices
- The school will be forming a Positive School Climate Team; meetings to be held 4x/ year; team will consist of a teacher, student, CUPE member, community member and school administrator.
- Ideas for School Wish List include:
- Digital Sign: preliminary estimate \$25K; a portion of funds could be provided by Council; the rest from sponsors. It was suggested that Natalie could draft a letter on school letterhead to take to potential sponsors.
- Sea Can container: preliminary estimate \$5K; extra storage is needed at the school. Suggestion that existing shed could be reorganized to address storage needs.
- Sun Shelter: preliminary estimate \$5K
- Flag Relocation: \$3-4K (existing flag location not visible)
- New AC Unit
- SEAA Sports Events Calendar will be distributed
- Terry Fox Run will be held this Friday (20<sup>th</sup>)
- Proposed future council meeting dates are Oct. 16<sup>th</sup>, Nov. 13<sup>th</sup>, Dec. 18<sup>th</sup>, Jan. 15<sup>th</sup>, Feb. 12<sup>th</sup>, Mar. 19<sup>th</sup>, Apr. 16<sup>th</sup>, May 14<sup>th</sup>, June 18<sup>th</sup>. All meetings to start at 6:00pm.

### **4. Teacher's Report:**

- Lena provided an update on the Movers + Makers Club; motion for Council to donate \$100 to the club for supplies; all in favour.
- There is interest in starting a Coding Club; this will be run by Ms. Cashin
- Teacher's wish list includes a new tent carrier which is needed for events; cost will be approximately \$150; all in favour for Council to donate these funds

**5. Treasurer's Report:**

- Council's current account balance is \$5,235.32

**6. Fundraising:**

- Hot dogs and pizza will raise funds for the school; hot dogs will not be sold through the winter this year.
- Poinsettias have been a successful fundraiser in the past
- Cheese fundraiser will not be run this year.
- Council is looking for other fundraiser ideas.

**7. New Business:**

- Council is looking at Guest Speakers (i.e. Paul Davis)
- Kernels popcorn sales will resume possibly 2 days per week with proceeds going to the school (details TBD)
- Drop off and pick-up procedures to be reviewed; Ron to provide clarification on procedures to help drop off and pick up times run more smoothly.

**8. Next Meeting:**

- The next Council meeting will be held on October 16<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm.

**9. Meeting Adjournment:**

- Meeting adjourned at 7:20pm.