

St. Andrews School Parent Advisory Council March 20, 2023 Meeting Minutes

Attendance: Sherry K, Jessica B, Dana S, Corrie H, Paula J, Jessica R, Anna H, Crystal N, Bailee K, Paula S (Principal), Lindsay M (Vice-Principal)

1. **Call to Order @ 7:04pm**
2. **Approval of February 2022 Meeting Minutes** – approved by Paula, seconded by Sherry
3. **Call for New Business** – none.
4. **Principal's Report**
 - a. March school assembly was held to wrap up "I love to read" month
 - i. Reviewed school expectations
 - ii. Shared some exciting news about 3 students who won poster contests
 1. Maya W. – bus safety
 2. Maya K. and Anna W., anti-smoking/vaping
 - iii. Acknowledged student birthdays
 - iv. February Dracos will be handed out at an assembly to wrap up Spirit Week.
 - b. March's newsletter was sent via email and is posted on the school website.
 - c. Gr. 4 recorder club participated at the "Celebration of the Arts" festival at HTS on March 8 and represented the school well.
 - d. Grade 5 and 6 basketball tournament was held at St. Andrews on March 9.
 - i. Robert Smith, Mapleton and Daerwood schools attended.
 - ii. Thank you to Mr. Penner and Ms. Baldoke for organizing and running this event!
 - e. Today, the Lockport Jr High admin team came to meet with the grade 6 classes as part of the transition to junior high.
 - f. March 13 – report cards went home electronically. No issues reported.
 - g. March 16, 17– student learning conferences – in person.
 - i. Teachers report things went smoothly. Conferences were well attended.
 - h. School book fair was March 14-17.
 - i. Thank you to the volunteers who helped Mrs. Cassidy.
 - i. Staffing news
 - i. Leaving staff:
 1. Ms. Kroeker (Music), Ms. Baldoke (Phys. Ed.), Mrs. Unrau (EA), Mr. Taves (Custodian).
 - a. (Job postings for Ms. Kroeker, Mrs. Unrau and Mr. Taves' positions have been posted).
 - ii. Mrs. Penner-Loeppky (from HTS) will be joining the PE team.
 - iii. Floating guest teacher, Mr. Loewen, will be remaining until June 30.
 - iv. Mr. Armstrong will be remaining as a Grade 1 teacher next year.
 - j. Staffing across the school division for the fall is currently underway. We should have more information to share regarding staffing for our school in the coming month.
 - k. April school newsletter will be sent to families via email just before students return from Spring Break.

5. Vice Principal's Report

- a. Spirit week – March 20 –24
 - i. Monday - “Wacky Day”, Bowling Gr.3, 4, 5, and K (odd)
 - ii. Tuesday - Beach Day, ice cream sales (\$2)
 - iii. Wednesday - Rainbow Day, Bowling Gr 1, 2 and 6
 - iv. Thursday - Sports Day
 - v. Friday - PJ Day, Assembly (including student performances)
- b. March 20 - Lockport School Admin came to speak to our Grade 6 students.
 - i. Some degree of planning is already taking place for next year.
 - ii. Parent orientation at Lockport School on April 4, registration forms to come home that week as well.
 - iii. A tour of Lockport school is being planned for the end of June.
- c. April 3 - School re-opens after Spring break (Day 6 on the school day cycle)
- d. April is Wellness Month
- e. April 12- International Day of Pink- represents equality, diversity, inclusivity, solidarity, kindness, courage, acceptance and much more.
 - i. Staff and students are encouraged to wear pink on this day.
 - ii. This will be our second wear pink day, as we also recognized Pink shirt day – stand up to bullying on February 22
- f. Good Friday April 7, NO SCHOOL
- g. Grade 5 and 6 handball tournament April 20 at Robert Smith
- h. Secretary day April 26
 - i. We will acknowledge Donna and Maureen - our 2 amazing office staff!

6. Hot Lunches

- a. Perogy lunch on March 22 has been postponed to May 17
 - i. Notes have gone out in Student planners
 - ii. Email sent
 - iii. Facebook post has been updated
 - iv. Sending additional reminder tomorrow
- b. Next Lunch: Chicken Fingers on April 12. This closes early because of spring break: Friday March 24
- c. April 21 – Booster Juice
- d. Pancakes May 2
 - i. Still need to figure out what to do. May be easier (instead of switching to Pizza) to keep pancakes and trust Ted (Life a little Sweeter) will deliver a better quality, larger product with correct syrup.
 - ii. Ted promised he would deliver a more quality product this time.

7. Fundraising

- a. Movie Night
 - i. No availability for Friday nights. Postpone until Fall
- b. Spring Fundraisers
 - i. Perogies & Sausages Cancelled
 - ii. Gramma's Kettle Korn: Start after Spring Break. ACTION: Dana to call Gramma's Kettle Korn
 - iii. Paula contacted Three6tea:

- Online fundraising
- New products are hot chocolate, bubble tea and 50 new teas
- 35% profit for product sold, 10% for gift cards
- Highest selling student gets a gift
- Will work around our schedule

c. Music Equipment

- i. Had looked at buying guitars and spoke with Mrs. Kroeker about same. Now that she is leaving, we would like to wait to see priority of new teacher

8. Library decal/mural

- a. Looking into the option of using students to design a mural
- b. Looked into a mural artist, works with students to plan art
- c. Discussed handprint art by students/tile mosaic plan
- d. Need to discuss options further.

9. Book Fair

- a. Thank you to the volunteers who ran it
- b. Proceeds all went to the school
- c. Well received.

10. Financial Report

- a. Follow up information on bounced cheque from the last meeting.
- b. See attached memo, sent out to the school community this evening, regarding missing funds.
- c. Current bank balance: \$49.75
- d.

11. Adjournment @ 8:00pm

Next Meeting: Monday April 17, 2023, 7:00 PM