

## St Andrews School Parent Advisory Council

### May 2023 Meeting Minutes

Attendance: Paula Jarecki, Dana Sawatzky, Sherry Kaniuga, Corrie Hutmacher, Jessica Bullen, Crystal Novicki, Anna Henderson, Paula Sowany

1. Call to order @ 7:02
2. Approval of April 2023 Meeting Minutes – approved by Sherry, seconded by Dana
3. Call for any new business – Welcome to Kindergarten night – May 30
4. Principal's report
  - a. May assembly was held; shared reminders about school expectations, Draco recognition, and May student birthdays.
  - b. May is Math Month and our teachers have special activities for the students throughout this month which focus on numeracy.
  - c. We continue to practice whole school safety drills. Student are doing a great job following safety procedures and evacuating quickly.
  - d. Fred Fox, Terry Fox's brother, presented to our school on May 9 as St. Andrews School is a big fundraiser for cancer research.
  - e. Divisional grade 3 dance festival was held in our gym on May 10. Nine schools participated in this event. The grade 3 students had a great time and did well in their performances.
  - f. Hot lunches have gone well. Thank you, PAC!
  - g. Staffing updates: We have hired a parttime evening cleaner (to replace Mr. Taves) – Mr. Keith Addis is joining the St. Andrews team. Mrs. Doyle (primary grade learning support teacher), will be retiring at the end of this school year. Her position has been posted and will be staffed soon. Any further staffing updates will be shared in our end of June communication to families.
  - h. Welcome to Kindergarten is being planned. Session will be Tuesday, May 30 5:00-7:00 pm. PAC is invited to attend/participate with a table at the event when families arrive as well as helping with supervising students in the kindergarten rooms during the parent info session.
  - i. May's school newsletter was sent via email and was posted on the school website at the beginning of May. June's school newsletter will be posted to the school website and sent to families via email near the end of this month.
5. Vice-Principals report
  - a. May and June are a busy time of year- especially since divisional events and field trips are back in full swing! We are happy to have these fun opportunities for students to participate in.
  - b. Tuesday, May 23 is the divisional soccer tournament for grade 4 (am) and 5 (pm). The rain date for this event is Friday, May 26.
  - c. Tuesday, May 30 (5:00-7:00 pm) - Welcome to Kindergarten Event
    - i. PAC volunteers- help with a center, promote involvement in PAC, recruit new members?
  - d. Thursday, June 1 (2pm) NED's Mindset Mission

- i. NED's Mindset Mission is a character education program that centers around three important messages that have lifelong relevance: Never give up, Encourage others and Do your best. During the assembly, students will learn about the importance of these three life skills while also enjoying storytelling, magic, humour, and yo-yo tricks.
        - e. Friday, June 2 is our Divisional PD Day- non instructional day for students. This day will focus on planning for next year.
        - f. Tuesday, June 6 is the grade 6 divisional baseball tournament. The rain date is on June 7.
        - g. Monday, June 19 - Grade 6 divisional track and field event. The rain date is June 22.
        - h. Tuesday, June 20 is the grade 4 and 5 divisional track and field event. The rain date is June 22.
        - i. Thursday, June 22 - Tabloid Day (rain date 23) - PAC volunteers for rest/refreshment station?
        - j. Monday, June 26. Talent Show (2pm).
        - k. June 28 - Grade 6 Lockport School visit and Grade 6 Farewell lunch
        - l. June 29 - Last Day of school. Year-end assembly 9:30 am.
        - m. June 30 - Admin. Day- No school
6. Hot Lunches
  - a. Burgers went well
  - b. Received our 10% off for our Ricky's problems
  - c. Pancakes inconsistent, some were very good, others were hard, others were burnt
  - d. Perogies this coming Wednesday
  - e. Freezie day will during the week of June 5, not yet announced, but will be soon. Will need to determine how to catch all students, including even and odd kindergartens. May sort Freezies by classroom to have the teachers hand out to their class during the course of the day allowing them flexibility on timing.
7. Staff appreciation lunch
  - a. June 14 for staff appreciation lunch
  - b. Sam had reached out to the Mighty Kiwi – platters available, advised to check the website for pricing options. Side note – Selkirk location will be closing at the end of June, may be better to go with Life a Little Sweeter
  - c. Ted from Life a Little Sweeter is offering platters with sandwiches and dainty squares. Was quite reasonable with multiple different options.
  - d. Dana to email details
  - e. Vote to approve up to \$500 for staff appreciation lunch – all in favor
8. Fundraising
  - a. Popcorn
    - i. Thank you to Dana and Corrie for organizing and delivering
    - ii. Profit ~\$2418
  - b. Finished for fundraising for the year
  - c. Looking to donate a score board to the gym. Mr. Penner will be getting back to us with options and prices
9. Executive for next school year
  - a. Reminder to let us know if you are interested in an executive position
10. June Meeting
  - a. Will have June meeting on June 19

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- b. Have not had June meetings in the past, but upon review of the constitution recognized this should be happening

11. Financial Report

- a. Current account balance \$20,675.93
- b. Deposits
  - i. 33 e-transfers \$2276.00
- c. Withdrawals:
  - i. \$20 childcare cheque
  - ii. \$2588.04 St Andrews School for reimbursement
  - iii. \$976 Pita Pit
  - iv. \$804.54 Dominoes Pizza
  - v. \$1054 Booster Juice
  - vi. \$100 Teacher allotment cheques x 4
  - vii. \$2.00 paper statement mailed to the school

12. New Business

- a. Welcome to Kindergarten requires volunteers from 4:40 until ~5:10

13. Adjournment @ 7:55