

BORDEN SCHOOL SCC MEETING

Tuesday, April 10 2017, 5:15pm

WELCOME

Staff Members: Mitch Luiten (principal), Ken Crush (board member) **(absent)**

Community Members: Alana Gunsch (chair), Pam Pidwerbesky, Gwen Dyck, Danielle Grasby, Kim Worona, Corrinne Szwydky, Marcia Parker **(absent)**

Students: Rachel Sutherland (SRC president) **(absent)**

SCHOOL NEWS & INFORMATION

- Extra-curricular updates
 - Junior and senior badminton – both seasons going very well!
 - Some transportation concerns. **Mitch explained that any students who break the transportation policy will no longer be permitted to play badminton this year.**
 - Track and field – clinics have already started!
 - Track fees (\$10) for all athletes will be due by Friday, May 4.
- School goals / professional goals update.
 - Are you seeing any increase/change in problem-solving skills?
 - Preparation is starting for our L4L presentation in May.
- Band planning for next year. **Mitch will speak with band program coordinators about alternative plans (ex: having the band teacher run a non-band music program).**
- Anti-smoking initiatives.

SCC ACTIVITIES

- “Borden School’s Got Talent” night – scheduled for March 15.
 - What feedback do we have from this event? **SCC members provided a significant amount of positive feedback.**
 - What things went well? What things should we look at changing in the future? **SCC members indicated that they would love to see more “demonstration booths” – these were a big hit this year!**
 - **We will start selling tickets early at Affinity this year – Kim indicated that this is a great way to reach community members who do not have children at school.**
 - **We might look at changing the pricing structure – many community members commented on how inexpensive the meal was.**
 - **Is this is a worthwhile annual event? We have decided to run this as an annual event.**
- AGM, Elections, and Parent Appreciation Night

- Our goal here is to bring together as many parents as possible, to provide them with a variety of information:
 - Available plans for next year (ex: enrolment numbers, split classes, high-school course offerings, new online course policy, etc.).
 - SCC details/information (ex: what the SCC does, why we need committed SCC members, etc.). **We will run the event very much like a larger-scale SCC meeting.**
- We will provide some kind of food – we have had issues in the past with this kind of thing. **We have decided on dessert and coffee.**
- **Mitch/Angie will look into sending information out via the Village Office or Post Office. We will also email out information to all parents by **Friday, April 20th**.**
- Internet Safety presentation (sponsored through Affinity, put on by RCMP) – still waiting for dates/information. **Kim indicated that most dates/times will work for Affinity. Mitch will contact the RCMP again to look into dates that work for them.**
- SCC conference.
 - National Congress on Rural Education (March 25-27) – Mitch attended.
 - Brief report about information/importance of the Congress. **Mitch provided a detailed report about the Congress.**
 - **Mitch highly recommended that we send a larger contingent next year (including SCC members).**
- Awards night – tentatively set for Thursday, June 14th.
 - Do we want to do burgers again? **We decided to do a similar meal to last year.**
 - Who would like to coordinate this? **Kim/Alana will coordinate this.**
 - **We will need to borrow BBQs from the community. Kim/Alana/Danielle – since you have connections to other organizations in Borden, can you please look into this?**
 - **We did decide not to purchase a BBQ at this time due to the small number of annual uses.**
- “Encounters with Canada”
 - Brief report. **Brooke B had an excellent experience!**
 - **Mitch will ask Brooke B to provide a brief presentation at the May 8th AGM.**
 - Do we want to sponsor this again? This year we paid \$400 of the \$675 fee. **We have decided to sponsor this event again. Mitch has already emailed grade 9-11 parents.**
- Is there anything else that we would like to try this year?
 - Collaboration with a classroom teacher?
 - Some kind of library assistance program? **Mitch will connect with Linda about the future of our library and look into a volunteer program to provide her with some assistance.**
 - Participating in other learning events/activities?

QUESTIONS/CONCERNS/OPEN DISCUSSION

- Next meeting – AGM/elections on Tuesday, May 8th. This meeting will be at 7pm.
- We briefly described school plans to contribute to the Humboldt Broncos cause – the SRC will come up with a plan over the next little while.
- We briefly discussed school staffing plans/questions for next year – Mitch will continue to provide details as they become available.