

South Corman Park Community Council Meeting
South Corman Park School
January 29, 2020
5:30pm

In Attendance: Kirsten Tucker, Erin Langin, Jen Dupuis, Tracy Gyug, Angela Jamieson, Shannon Ly, Jane Mills, Trish Motz, Tarren Pederson, Karen Trimble. Lindsay Mitchell, Faye Burgess

Minutes:

Motion: Angela moved the adoption of the November 13, 2019 minutes. Carried.

Administrative Report

Principal's Report - provided by Kirsten Tucker:

1. New staffing and students:
 - We're saying farewell to Doreene (retiring at the end of January) and welcoming Cassy Lindberg in our office.
 - Carlyng is on maternity leave - Raeleen will be filling her VP role, Nicole Freeden and Taylor McGregor are replacing her teaching time.
 - New bus driver Lindsey Delawski who is replacing Darcy.
 - Teacher candidates Krista Cochrane and Yurii Gaviada—out Tuesdays and Wednesdays in February and March— will be working mostly grades 2/3/4, but will get a chance to work throughout the school.
 - Kindergarten registrations are already up to 24 for next year. Should we have an earlier open house instead of individually touring students/parents? If numbers reach 27 – look at creating 2 kindergarten classes.

2. Upcoming dates and events:
 - Jan. 30 -SRC - Twin day, school dance
 - Feb. 14 –SRC - Winterfest activities and Valentines
 - Feb. 15-23 - Feb. break
 - March 4 - Hot dog lunch
 - Mar. 5 - Grade 5/6 Curling
 - Mar. 18/19 – Parent/teacher conferences
 - Mar. 31 - Madd presentation
 - April 2 - Fun Night
 - April 9 - Friendship Meal
 - April 20—Hip Hop Hoop dancers (OSAC)
 - May 11—Hot dog lunch

- May 13—Track and Field Day
- May 14—Grade 6--Shekinah
- June 26—Farewell assembly
- Election dates—if needed--between May 4-May 15
- Tbd—Cree lessons, Shakespeare
- Tbd – Volunteer Tea

3. Facilities and Grounds

- Water test results—the division has a write up for the next newsletter.
- Front entrance—accessibility doors have been installed, just need to be wired in.
- There will be an update on community use of school policy and public access to school policy.
 - School rentals will still be free to community members.
 - Giving keys out to community members may not be allowed.
 - Groups have to sign a waiver and make sure everyone is properly insured.
 - Public access in the school – we have to try and be more aware and take precautionary measures to keep general members of the public away from certain areas of the school (eg. kids changing for Christmas concert). SCC could help with events like this.

4. Budget

- Tech roll-out—mobile technology - What involvement would the SCC like in planning/funding?
 - The new roll out will include increasing mobile technology—increasing iPads, introducing Chromebooks, (class sets and shared sets) maintain the lab, getting rid of student desktops in classrooms, maintain teacher desktops.
 - Some flex points would be library projector (\$800), Sound Field Systems (\$1500 each—we still need them in K, ½ and 6). New microphones (\$300 average) - Shawn thought that would eliminate the feedback. ***See motion below under “Financial Matters”.**
- Outdoor Learning Spaces—Lisa Nontell suggested planting Legacy Trees. SCC members can brainstorm other ideas.

5. Other

- Priorities as a school and SCC Basket A, B, C results—areas of focus-- student growth in particularly math, school assessment plan being developed, communication feedback incorporated. There is a new communication board at the front office (mostly to keep teachers/staff informed). We are going to go back to using newsletter.
- Grades 2 and 5 are assessed in math every year. Would like to do the Ministry math assessments for all grades just to have a comparison from year to year.
- Communication Survey results—newsletter, communication board, office emails, calendar promotion, strategy for volunteer engagement (may test using an app to get more parents involved). Should the SCC set up a SCP Parent Facebook Page? SCC members could respond to questions.
- Family vacation framework – an email was sent out to all SCP families and the response has been very positive.

- Administrators across the district did a tour in December and it went well.

Financial Matters

Treasurer's Report – Provided by Angela J.

Angela handed out the South Corman Park School Financial Summary for Wednesday January 29th, 2020. We have a healthy surplus in our account with a current balance of \$4,687.98 with a forecasted balance of \$9,387.98 after hot lunches, Christmas, Track & Field, Fun Night, retirement/leaving gifts, and the grade 6 farewell.

Ideas for spending:

- Indoor recess: Nets \$72. Cribbage boards.
- Projector \$800, 1 sound systems \$1500. \$300 Microphone(s).

Motion: To spend up to \$3000 on technology and indoor recess supplies. Motion by Tarren, seconded by Angela. Carried.

Old Business

- Christmas concert/treat bags – we need to buy some new bags for next year. We ended up using some plastic bags for cover the shortfall.
- Start Right School Supply survey – There was a lot of positive feedback from parents for having it as an option. They do offer 10 % cash back as a fundraiser. They are difficult to communicate with (slow at responding). Jen may not be on the board next year to organize.
 - Tarren looked into 2 other companies: Back to School Solutions and School Start. Both companies offer free delivery but are not in SK.
 - Back to School solutions – 10%cash back to school or back to the families.
 - School Start – can give us a quote from last year's lists. Option to donate. Fundraiser - \$5 per order after in the second year of using their service.
 - Vote: To continue using Start Right. The class lists have been set up so it should be simple to move forward. There was positive feedback that you had the option to buy a few items if you needed them. *Vote Yes.
 - Should try to promote that you do not have to buy new supplies every year in the newsletter.
- Mental Health Night – was on December 5th and was well attended (approximately 40 people). Presentation is now on SCP's website.
- Hot lunch – Profits from January's hot lunch (Jerry's) was \$125.75.
 - We should try the new volunteer app for this.

- Please put a notice in the newsletter that parents are welcome to come to hot lunches.

New Business

- Online Safety Presentation for parents – Presented by Robert Fines - try to schedule for the week after February break (Feb 26th or March 4th).
 - Will need volunteers to watch kids. Can we find older students that need volunteer hours again?
- Mrs. Menz retirement present \$250 Winners gift card and card signed by the SCC. Kids have a song that they would like to sing to her in the afternoon.
- Fun Night - April 2, 2020
 - Collect \$10 from families - \$5 goes to silent auction basket; \$5 goes to big raffle prizes. An email needs to be drafted and sent out to the whole school asking for \$10 from each family as well as donation items for the Lucky Lotto or even raffle.
 - Kid prize room - Tracey and Jen will help out in this room.
 - Angela has volunteered to organize the Lucky Lotto and Silent Auction. Angela will email out a list of business (in Google docs) that all SCC members can contact in regards to donating items for Fun Night.
 - Letter needs to be drafted that we can take to these business (signed by Erin)
 - Raffle – print tickets make them into a book, distribute to families. Tarren has volunteered to do this. Barb has the template.
 - Meal – Pizza, pop & chips. – Erin has volunteered to organize. No coffee this year.
- SCPCA – is working towards plans for a community centre complex that may take over the space where the track is now.
- Water fountain – a new water fountain with built in water bottle fill station costs around \$4000. Maybe this could be one of our next big fundraising goals?
- Playground – Prairie Spirit is in charge of all maintenance. Everything is in good condition for now.

Next SCC meeting: March 11, 2020 5:30.