

School Council

March 7, 2023



Time: 7:02 pm

Location: Lochearn Elementary School

In Attendance: Karen Beck, Kristin McKenelley, Stephanie Anderson, Carma Griffith, Julie Fischer, Mary Gideon, Christine Giguere, Laura Henning, Kathy McNutt, Heidi Hetherington, Marion Cale

Additions to Agenda: none

Approval of Minutes: Kristin motioned to approve the minutes from the meeting on [February 7, 2023](#). Mary seconded.

Chairperson's Report: no report

Trustee's Report: (Heidi)

At last board meeting the following were discussed:

- Transportation for the corridor schools was discussed, along with transition planning for new DTHS.
- AB Transportation came and presented about the twinning of highway 11, one twinning option would be within 150 m of the new elementary school. This option is the least likely.
- Locally developed courses
- Reviewed meeting with town of RMH and Clearwater County. Parties meet annually to keep relations positive and find areas where they can help each other.
- Interruption of Learning Grant: 6 week cycle, Cycle 1 ended middle of Feb.
- K-12 school in Breton, announced when the Provincial government did the budget. Town of RMH schools would move up on the Capital Planning List.
- PD learning 4-6 ELA, shift in skills
- Lot where DT is, school torn down and remediated, then the lot will be put up for sale. Remediation was in cost of new school build.
- New school calendar for 2023-2024 school year was approved.

Principal's Report: (Kathy)

- PreK and Kindergarten registration numbers are looking very good, 16 & 20 (respectively). Very good numbers for this time of the year
- Movie night was as a success
- PD Days on February 24 & 27 were focused on new curriculum

- Assurance survey for grade 4 parents, extended to March 17, because of late mail out
- Meeting with Senior Leadership Team, Principal and Vice-Principal presented on what's happening at the school.
- Gr. 5 bottle drive, almost filled the sea can.
- Grade 5 Bake Sale: earned \$799.95
- Contract for bottle recycling: Current contract holders not interested in keeping arrangement going. Grade 5 teachers are considering taking that on. The arrangement allows them to keep 20% of the refund money from the schools Bottle Depot returns if they take the bottles.
- Jordan's Principle: hire 5 new EAs, to support Indigenous students, interviews over the next few days. Support that lasts until January 2024. Students would start school year with support in place.
- Kathy being evaluated by the Superintendent, 15 minute interviews. Happens again next year.
- Board coming on Thursday morning, tour of school and meet with students.
- Assembly at 12:15 on March 15.
- Math intervention starting next week
- Sensory session, March 17 with OT & PT
- Nurture Tree very interested in Before & After School Care, working out deals with the Treasurer.
- PT interviews April 11 & 13

Upcoming Events:

- Follow up: [Indigenous Education Conference](#), happening April 12, will not be live streamed. 3 teachers can attend-> include poster for information: 9-4 pm.

Past Events:

Adjournment at 7:27 pm

Next Meeting: Tuesday April, 4 2023 @ 7 pm

Friends of Lochearn Fundraising Society

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Additions to Agenda: *Playground discussion (added under New Business)*

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Chairperson's Report: (Christine)

- none

Fundraising/Volunteer Coordinator: (Christine & Kristin)

- Fudge Fundraiser: \$253 profit as of this morning. 40% profit. Runs until March 15
- Family Movie Night: \$ 1002 profit
- Fundraising Coordinator Position Vacancy: still on the search
- West Country Greenhouse: petunia basket, tomato basket or strawberry basket, \$35, orders due April 15. Pick up day would be Wed. May 10
- Investigate doing Beef Jerky fundraiser for the spring

Treasurer: (Kristin)

- [Monthly Update](#)
- E-transfer is now set up

Hot Lunch/Milk Program: (Carma)

- Hot Lunch Update: looking at website, list of teachers for classes, to set up on website.

Old Business:

Wish List:

- Hand bells for Music Room -> purchased
- 6 Recess bins, will be in need of refreshing for spring

New Business:

- Casino List, from February meeting -> to be revisited

- PD Potluck: April 28 -> to discuss at next meeting
- Price for trays for Parent Teacher Interviews, April 11 & 13: Christine motioned to spend \$100/day for purchasing snacks and trays for PT Interviews, Kristin seconded, all in favour.
- Playground Update: swing set required for K-2 playground. Wouldn't want to use matching grant for smaller purchases. Mary to find out how much for a new swing set. Replace piece by piece. Was \$20000 a few years ago for a new swing set.

Adjournment at 8:26 pm
Next Meeting: Tuesday April 4, 2023