Cedarview School Council meeting Nov 8, 2023

**In Attendance:** Margaret Ferrall, Tracy Radbourne, Cheryl Strautman, Krystal Dodd-Wass, Nick Wakeham, Krista MacIsaac, Laura Bloom, Wenser Estime, Jennifer Stadler, Laura McLellan, Heather Moulton, Stefanie Rowan

Virtual: Amy Montiel, Sarah Wise, Nadine Gagnon,

Regrets: Brendan Ziolo, Shelley Neill, Diane Rivard, Cristin Graham, Donna Owen, Dan Bloom

Agenda Item	Discussion/Decision	Action Taken/Person responsible
Welcome and introduction	• The meeting was called to order at 6:37pm	Cheryl Strautman
Approval of Agenda/Minutes	<ul> <li>Motion to approve the agenda/minutes made by Krystal Dodd-Wass, second by Tracy Radbourne. All in favour</li> </ul>	Cheryl Strautman
Principal's Report	<ul> <li>Painters are in</li> <li>Remembrance Day assembly - LTO Emily Mills has taken it on and organized. Have encouraged any students in cadets, guiding to wear uniforms,</li> <li>Intramurals - volleyball this week, back to open gym next week</li> <li>Clubs are up and running - ie. Homework club</li> <li>Volleyball nets arrived and everyone is very excited about that,</li> <li>Grade 7 Movie Field Trip</li> <li>Trying to get School Swag up and running hopefully next week.</li> <li>Has worked with Sarah in the office about the \$1000 and Amy confirmed that money has been transferred.</li> <li>High School options are being posted to Google Classroom and put in the weekly school newsletter, there is a Sir Guy High School presenter coming to the school, and Canterbury may come onsite for a presentation,</li> <li>When will the Sir Guy High School trip be happening - Jennifer to confirm with Shelley and follow up.</li> <li>Is there a Grade 8 grad trip - Jennifer is unsure but likely will be arranged starting soon.</li> </ul>	Jennifer Stadler
Teacher's Report	• No Teacher's Report as Cristin is unable to attend tonight.	Cristin Graham
Treasurer's Report	<ul> <li>Already covered \$1000 transferred to the school.</li> <li>In past couple of weeks, Sarah has transferred the funds from the donation accounts to the general account,</li> <li>Current balance is \$4484.52, There is \$1000 on top of that balance for the PIC grants</li> </ul>	Amy Montiel

OCASC Update	• First meeting of the year was on Oct 19, 2023 - executive elections, all the members were re-elected,	Wenser Estime			
	<ul> <li>this year they agreed to an alternate for Treasurer and Communications, as this year's members may not be available next year so there are alternates to act as mentors.</li> <li>now the Board is in the process of seeing if they can have a 3<sup>rd</sup> School Trustee on the OCASC board, specifically an Indigenous member,</li> <li>Trying to get approval from the Ministry of Education as this would be a first to have 3<sup>rd</sup> school trustee.</li> <li>On the budget, trying to make an early submission (March) to give Ministry enough time, to have budget approved as early as possible, to try to address all the pending issues,</li> <li>PIC Committee - interesting to see how energetic people were to see parent involvement as there has been discussion about OCASC members sitting on the PIC - this discussion will be happening over the next few months,</li> </ul>				
				• Wenser has only heard from the one side - the OCASC side.	
			Online Communications Update	<ul> <li>Not much activity lately,</li> <li>There was a shout out to Mr. Lapelle as a Thank You for the Touch Football team.</li> </ul>	Tracy Radbourne
				<ul> <li>Lots of concerns about class closures being voiced by parents - response from Jennifer Stadler - normally try to book extra people in advance so that there is contingency of people,</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>There was some COVID in the building last week so that made it more difficult,</li> <li>This year Cedarview only has one Daily Occasional Teacher - they get</li> </ul>					
<ul> <li>assigned where needed, share them with schools, being an Intermediate site makes it more difficult to get occasional teachers,</li> <li>Teachers who are good and on the occasional list tend to get hired on</li> </ul>					
<ul> <li>the next year, so they are not available on the occasional list,</li> <li>There is tracking of which classes are closed so that they can try to move things around and balance out the closures.</li> </ul>					
<ul> <li>Stefanie brought up some bus stop issues.</li> <li>Discussion about events being posted on Google Classroom and requesting that they be put in the newsletter.</li> </ul>					
Purdy's and Pickles & Myrrh Fundraiser Update	<ul> <li>Both fundraisers have been launched.</li> <li>Amy made flyers that have been posted.</li> <li>Margaret to post some flyers at the school.</li> <li>Will retry to condit in another amail with better viewels for parents.</li> </ul>	Margaret Farrell			
	<ul> <li>Will retry to send it in another email with better visuals for parents.</li> <li>Will need volunteers to organize the orders and volunteers for distribution day.</li> <li>Cheryl to create a Google Sheet for sign ups,</li> </ul>	Krista MacIsaac			

	• Should we send home paper copies - maybe try to get a sense of numbers in each class and print off some flyers for families who may not access electronic communication,	
PIC AND PRO GRANT Discussion	<ul> <li>There is approx. \$1000 for this year,</li> <li>The PRO Grant is applied for every year - you outline how you will spend the money - something extra to get parents more involved,</li> <li>PIC Grant isn't applied for - every parent council gets money to have parent involvement - funds are used for parent involvement,</li> <li>Money we get, can be used to complement the PRO Grant such as catering,</li> <li>Could be used for a speaker series, could use it for taxi chits, babysitting for parent events,</li> <li>Used money for a social event - free of cost - (ie. Ice cream and entertainment)</li> <li>Cannot be used in conjunction with a fundraising event,</li> <li>Maggie brought it up to start thinking about options - maybe bring ideas forward for next meeting,</li> </ul>	Margaret Farrell
Grad Committee Update	<ul> <li>Have not yet set a meeting date but does have a list of volunteers,</li> <li>Question as to what extent is it the responsibility of the grad committee - discussion about who is responsible for grad funds and fundraising,</li> <li>Teachers do the planning for the ceremony however grad committee assisted with decorations,</li> <li>Amy's comments are that maybe not to ask Grad Committee to do their own fundraising until funds are determined,</li> <li>Plan to allocate funds at next meeting to provide Grad Committee with a budget.</li> </ul>	Krista MacIsaac
Fundraiser Plan Discussion	<ul> <li>Margaret wanted to discuss planning a Little Ceasars fundraiser,</li> <li>Krystal to set up a date for January and set up promotional materials.</li> </ul>	Margaret Farrell
Misc. Items/Discussions/In quiries	<ul> <li>Question from Laura Bloom about the Secure School Policy - answer from Jennifer - there are still only 3 levels - Shelter in Place, Secure School, and Lockdown.</li> <li>If there is a Secure School option - they are trying to keep it to pods as opposed to disrupting the full school.</li> <li>Sometimes must move to a Secure School option if it happens near a recess or lunch hour then trying to keep kids out of the hallways.</li> <li>In general circumstances, they are trying to keep the kids away from it but could have specific discussions with parents who are concerned.</li> <li>Suggestion that maybe there could be more communication from the school to explain to those affected classes to ensure there is clear understanding after the situation - Jennifer reports that they do try to send an email after the fact - some to the full school community, as well as to the more closely affected classes. Any communications for</li> </ul>	

	<ul> <li>these situations need to be vetted through the school board Communications Dept.</li> <li>Discussion from Wenser - understands that the school needs to ensure safety of the situation first, but then to consider the timing of the information as information moves quickly, as well as calming the information down to ensure that the right information is getting to the parents.</li> </ul>	
Next meeting	<ul> <li>Next meeting - Wednesday, 13 December 2023 - 630pm in person with virtual option.</li> </ul>	
Adjournment	<ul> <li>Motion to adjourn meeting made by Tracy Radbourne and seconded by Laura Bloom at 8:20 p.m.</li> </ul>	