

## Strathmillan Parent Council Minutes

Tuesday, October 15th, 2024

Location: School Library

### **1. Welcome**

Meeting opened at 7:05pm by Lyndsey

### **2. Meeting Attendance**

In Attendance:

Carina Fitzpatrick  
Liz Bilyk  
Lyndsey Dueck  
Katie Nakonechny  
Lori Einarson  
Christina S  
Ainsley Stanley  
James Clermont  
Jen Romanoff  
Masoumeh Pirbornatan  
Kellie Straub  
Jonathan Baker

Regrets:

Domenica Nash  
Alaisha Parker  
Jasmine Kaur  
Jackie Hilder

### **3. Approval of Agenda**

No corrections

Lori motioned, Liz seconded. Agenda approved

### **4. Approval of December Minutes**

Update to opening and closing amounts in finance report was made.  
Carina motioned, Liz seconded. September AGM Minutes approved

## **5. Reports**

### **5.1 Principal's Report**

- 1.) The current enrollment stands at 302 students.
- 2.) Classrooms continue to be focused on learning routines this term. Teachers are starting to collect and organize assessment for the first term report cards.
- 3.) There are no classes on Friday, October 25<sup>th</sup>, as teachers will be in sessions as part of MTSPD Day.
- 4.) Mr. McKenzie has started running intramurals at lunch time recess and Ms. Dawson has begun choir rehearsals at lunch. There is a Primary (Gr 1 -2) and Intermediate Choir (Gr. 3-5).
- 5.) Picture Day is next week, Thursday, October 24<sup>th</sup>. Retakes are scheduled for the morning of November 27<sup>th</sup>.
- 6.) The school division is holding a 2025/26 Budget Consultation evening on Wednesday, October 23<sup>rd</sup> @ 6:00pm at Sturgeon Heights Collegiate. Community members can register to attend by RSVPing to [elizabeth.gwilliam@sjasd.ca](mailto:elizabeth.gwilliam@sjasd.ca) or phoning 204-888-7951.
- 7.) Welcome to Ms. Mason Mitchell, who has joined our staff as a morning Kindergarten teacher!

## Upcoming Events:

Tuesday, October 15<sup>th</sup> Early Dismissal

Thursday, October 24<sup>th</sup> Picture Day

Friday, October 18<sup>th</sup> Fun Lunch (Papa John's)

Friday, October 25<sup>th</sup>: MTS PDDAY- No classes for students

Thursday, October 31<sup>st</sup>: Halloween – School Assembly/Costume Parade in the PM (main gym)

Tuesday, Nov. 5<sup>th</sup>: Early Dismissal

## 5.2 Teacher's Report

No report submitted

## 5.3 Liaisons' Reports

### i) Finance – Alaisha Parker

Sept 30/2024 opening \$9610.04

Oct 15/2024 closing \$12,140.01

### ii) Fundraising

Archie's Pizza Fundraiser is already underway. Flyers went home last week with students. Orders are due back on November 6th. We are aiming to sell 500 pizzas so they will be delivered for free. It was noted that the order forms were missing some info, those will be corrected and will be sent in a future email from Mr Baker.

Glenlea Greenhouses will be our spring fundraiser once again this year. Order forms will be sent home sometime in the new year, but we have confirmed that plant delivery and order pick ups will be on May 28th, 2025.

New discussions have arisen for what our dream goal for fundraising will be. The rock wall we had originally been considering has not worked out for numerous reasons (who will be responsible for maintenance, supervision of children, where will it go, etc). We are now considering updating, or at least, providing maintenance for our play structure. We will be investigating further into how to accomplish this.

### **iii) Fun Lunch – Carina Fitzpatrick**

Papa Johns - October 18/2024

Order # 151

Cheque Amount: \$205.01

Profit: \$202.51

Donated Food Purchased: \$45 (4 student lunches and 2 extra pieces of pizza)

Donated Money: \$59

Carry Over: \$14

E-Transfer: \$11.50

One parent did not own a credit card so we accepted an E-transfer and processed the students order. The parent has been told that this plan will not work every month as it opens the door for others to want this method of payment. We suggested using a Debit Visa card or using a family or friends credit card on the website. Parent will need to create a plan moving forward.

We will need one Grade 5 student for each classroom to help carry the boxes and hand out the food. They can be called down at 11:45am and Carina will explain the directions since it is a new group of students.

This month Carina trained Lyndsey on how to use the website and process the donated food orders. She is now able to take over if needed in the future.

The next Fun Lunch is set to be Subway on November 22/2024. Carina just needs to confirm with the restaurant in the coming week.

## **6. Other Business**

We want a 4 way stop at the corner of Bruce and Strathmillan. It is currently a 2 way stop and we have noticed that it causes quite a lot a confusion at the corner for both drivers and our patrols. It is a legitimate safety concern, so we are asking our caregivers to please reach out to 311 and make this request. Parent Council will also be submitting a letter voicing our concerns.

Carina made a motion to for Parent Council to pay \$17.21/hr so we can have child care at meetings. Liz seconded, motioned passed.

**10. Meeting Adjourned at 7:40pm by Lyndsey**

**Next Parent Council Meeting is on Tuesday, November 19th at 7pm, Child Care will be provided.**

**If you have any questions, suggestions, or concerns, please email [strathcommcouncil@gmail.com](mailto:strathcommcouncil@gmail.com) by November 16th. Questions that miss this deadline will be added to the following month's agenda.**