

Essex Public School/School Advisory Council
January 19, 2012
6:30pm

ATTENDANCE: Susan Smith, Sandra Livingston, Tiffany Pocock, Judy Schroeder, Kimberley Bagley, Linda Peleshok, Sally Onions, Paula Munday, Pam Gibb, Jean Paterson, Tammy Meloche, Krystan Battagello, Stephanie Winger, Leanne Stiers

REGRETS: Bruce Jackson, Heidi Spring, Sue Sylvestre, Janet Onions

WELCOME: HAPPY NEW YEAR!! Looking forward to working together in 2012.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA: Donna 1st, Krystan 2nd. Thanks.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES: Sandra 1st, Sally 2nd. Thanks.

CHAIR REPORT

1. GECPIC MTG.: Tuesday January 24, 7pm, at Gebner al Brock Public School. Presentation of the naturalized playground areas will be conducted by Stephen White. Director will be in attendance to discuss budget also. IDEA: Perhaps invite Carolyn from ERCA, to discuss naturalization options for our playground. Will follow up.
2. Survey: being conducted by GECPIC/Board, to target how to get more parents involved in School Advisory Councils. Stephanie will email questions to all, please fill out, we need ideas!!
3. Kindergarten Registration: February 13-24. Open House will be held February 15, 2012 from 5:30-7pm. Stephanie will be here, Leanne also, an email will go out to see who might be available. Stephanie, like other years will put together a package for new families about SAC and how they can get involved.

PRINCIPAL REPORT

1. Thanks to Pam Gibb, for filling out grant form for our trees. \$1000.00 has been granted for cedars. Hoping that the company from where we purchase the trees will also be willing to dig the holes.
2. Kindergarten Registration: See above note, in Chair Report. Thanks.
3. Looking for new topics to share at SAC Meetings. Please forward any ideas to Tammy. Thanks.
4. Report Cards: To be sent home: February 6. 2012. with a focus on learning skills and achievement and what students and parents can do to improve.
5. All day JK/SK: Starting here, September 2012. Storybook daycare will no longer be holding full time day care facilities here, only after school latchkey program. Therefore renovation costs, will be significantly lowered as the school will use that space for the full time JK/SK area. With the new full time classrooms, class numbers will be larger, but, a full time ECE will be in classroom.

STAFF REPORT

1. Beach Day: Friday January 27th, No Swimsuits!!

2. Pasta Day: Held January 19th, Mostly good reviews from teachers and students. Hot Dog day, to be held in February, will require parental involvement.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Balance of Chequing Account: \$3178.78

Balance of High Interest Account:\$23, 854. 43 (Interest made in the month of December: \$19.32

PLAYGROUND DISCUSSION

Pam Gibb designed the sign that will be posted on the playground area. Looks Great, Pam! Thanks!! Unsure of size, or materials. Krystan will talk to Retco Signs form Leamington about best prices. Budget not yet determined.

PICNIC TABLES

June DeVries not available for update.

SCHEDULE NEXT MEETING

February 16, 2012, at 6:30 pm.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:30pm. Thanks.