

Ecole Oriole Park School Parent Council Minutes - September 17, 2018 - 3:30 p.m.

Attendance:

Colette Pedde	Alicia Tulp
Kory Sholdice	Sarah Carlson
Cara Fizzard	Keira Rudge
Erika Rowden	

Call to order: 3:45 p.m.

Cara welcomed everyone back, no introductions necessary.
Cara acknowledged our Treaty and First Nations, Metis, and Inuit.
No additions to the agenda.
Erika made a motion to adopt the agenda, Alicia 2nd, passed.

Old Business:

Council still needs to vote in the remainder of the executive positions-secretary (Keira) and treasurer (is it still Angela Sommers?). Cara has not spoken with her yet. Cara will make a deposit and get the bank statement.
We need to attract new council members. Keira will write a short blurb to be sent home with students soon-to all students, younger grades?

New Business:

Colette and Cara suggested having 5 Minutes With Teachers: teachers can sign up to present briefly at the start of our council meetings-any celebrations, projects, etc from their class/grade. Everyone agreed this is a good idea. Hopefully will begin in Oct.

Celebrations-school year off to a good start!

25 students from OP will attend a leadership conference at the Tim Hortons camp in Oct. with Central Middle School students.

Principals' Report-391 students as of today.

Good turn out for Meet the Teacher. Great new staff!
One Book, Many Schools-Title is a surprise! Kick-off will be assembly on Oct 10 at 2:00 p.m. Finale will be movie night on Nov 27 at 6:00 p.m. (movie, water, popcorn).
Roger Dallaire will be doing a residency program in the spring at OP and 2 other Red Deer schools. Many francophone activities. 80% cost covered by a grant.
School Messenger-new text service schools will be using, instead of Remind.

2018-19 schedule of council events: (all times 6:00-7:30 p.m.)

Gym night: Feb 13 (can CWG mascot attend?)
Spring Fling: April 17
Family Night in the Park: June 13

Fundraising/Treasurers' Report-

Need to confirm treasurer for the year and account balance.
Cara confirms we will sell poinsettias to fund Christmas hampers, and Christmas catalogue sales will fund agendas for next year.
Erika suggested we focus on improving/beautifying area out by the skate shack. Kids enjoy those trees and picnic tables, but could that area be improved? Much discussion: outdoor classroom, nature playground, how can our little forest be improved/used more?
Erika has spoken with City of RD, they could possibly help us, and maintain what we do add to the area. Are there grants available? Some benches Erika found are approx \$600.
Some great ideas, we need to follow up.

Should we look at forming a social committee? Plan events and have them ear-marked for raising funds for certain items? Staff should come up with a wish list.
Should we try a community supper in the spring? Pancakes or burgers?
We could send out a Google survey to gauge interest.
Sarah suggested trying Fun Script gift cards, used by other groups.

Hot lunch-Kaycee has it all set for the year!

Breakfast Program- Kory said a dishwasher will be installed in the old kitchen.
Program is taking food/\$ donations.

Next City Wide Parent Council meeting: Oct 9 at GW Smith at 7:00 p.m.

OP will host City wide on Nov 13 at 7:00 p.m.
Refreshments will be available and admin will report on school happenings.

Next general OP parent council meeting: Oct 15 at 3:30 p.m.
ALL WELCOME!