SAC notes November 16, 2021

Attendance: Sharon Himmelman, Kim Casey, Carolyn Sullivan, Ronnie Harris, Maggie Schmid, Dan Fournier, Tyrell Johnson, Amanda Dowling, Melanie Tracey, Diane Lloyd, Jody Livingstone

Approval of October minutes: Maggie Schmid approved and Dan Fournier seconded.

Agenda approval: Dianne Lloyd approved and Carolyn Sullivan second.

Dan opened the meeting – welcome and overview of tonight’s meeting.

Dan presented the principals report, topics discussed were: P-2 literacy data, Literacy coaching, Extra Literacy support in grade 1 from Alayne Power (Literacy Specialist from the school board), parent teacher interviews, report cards, Remembrance Day assembly, and water (back online).

Dan presented the financial overview. Over 3000 dollars left in SAC funds from previous year – We will be receiving another 5200 (approximately) this year.

Dan asked the group to think about what we want to prioritize this money for.

We continue to seek lunch monitors. We will continue to reach out via job postings and newsletter.

Volunteers are a possibility in the school– reading in small groups or 1:1 with students would be beneficial.

Vacant positions – 50 percent EPA and Guidance – positions are posted online.

Kim applied on a nutrition grant – waiting to hear back on this.

Dianne clarified the difference between the Indigo grant and literacy initiative in the school grant.

Indigo– 2400 dollars remaining.

Literacy initiative in the school – 1100

Carolyn – spoke about rainbows program. She hopes to start next month

Money spending SAC – How should it be spent

Subs for PLC funds – 4 times (approx. $700 per time). Group approved first PLC for December (up to 4 substitute teachers).

Equipment games – outside

Classroom funding budget – 100 dollars for classroom teachers and learning center teachers, 50 dollars for specialists. (Group approved this funding)

New playground was discussed – construction has begun. Timeframe and specifics are unknown.

Sharon – asked about zoning for new playground. This will be discussed as a staff once playground is complete.

Jody talked about the playground and some details she knew about it.

Hats and Mitts and socks for winter season were discussed. Extras should be kept in the office. $200 allocated for this. (Group approved)

Melanie Tracey’s work offered $150 to support extra winter clothing for kids. They would like a letter in return. (Dan said he could provide this).

Dianne Lloyd will reach out to the church about winter clothing donations.

Spending approved by group:

1 plc meeting before January (3 substitute teachers) $700

Classroom funds - $100 per classroom teacher, $50 per specialist

$300 for the learning Centre

Discussion around events taking place for - Christmas / Hanukkah Nov. 28. Holiday celebrations will happen in classrooms and follow Covid protocols. Teachers will do the planning around this for their classroom.

Pancakes with Santa – talk to Katie Aucoin. – Kim will look into this.

Christmas help – alert message – Kim will work with Rachael to do this for next week

Lynn Church’s number was passed onto Kim by Jody to follow up with about Christmas Hampers. 902-464-5697

Meeting adjourned: 6:47

Next Meeting: Tuesday January 11, 2022

Kim to email notes