

# Moffat Creek Public School Council Meeting

## Tuesday April 6, 2021

### via Google Meet 6:30pm

#### **In attendance:**

Erica Gillespie, Michael Snyder, Christine Roth, Becca Hardy, Shannon Schmidt, Neil Moody, Adriana Leigh, Amy Fraser, Laura Christache, Arpa Jaberain, Ashley Chaves, Anwar Mousa, Tracy McGrath

#### **Regrets:**

Barb Hewitson

Becca called meeting to order

#### **A)Community Report- Ashley Chaves**

Currently waiting for warmer weather to start some repairs and construction to the playground

Summer school age program- internal family registration April 6th, community registration is scheduled for end of April.

Staff member Anita is moving out the region

#### **B)Teachers Report- Christine Roth**

Upcoming spirit days- April 9th- Beach Day/Fun in the Sun

April 23rd- Flannel Friday

April 30th -Super Hero day

Teachers recognize that not all students have the means to dress in spirit gear from home. They are trying to involve everyone (as a class) in these spirit days while at school

#### **C)Treasurer's Report- Becca Hardy**

apologized for requesting an up to date financial statement too late for this meeting  
revenue so far this year has been \$700.12 - Mabel's Labels \$77.12 and Dominoes pizza \$623

staff requests have come out of the account

received a budget request from Mr. Leslie for a portable speaker \$80- approved by council

Adriana- could we reopen the budget to teachers after the break?

Becca- not typically done

Amy- would rather focus on capital improvements ie, playground, forest school with the council money

## **D)New Business**

### **1)Fundraising- Laura Christache**

Dominoes pizza nights have finished and raised \$623, which was more than expected  
There were some computer issues, online ordering was not user friendly

New possible fundraiser through Plantables  
another relatively hands off fundraiser  
online orders with a specific school code  
school receives 10% of order  
single plants, kits, etc all available and shipped directly to person ordering  
just in time to plant  
earliest date is April 19th through to July

Erica- could tie it into the forest school, "Plants for Plants"

### **2)Staff Appreciation-Becca Hardy**

Neil reached out to Eric Bolton for music \$150/hr  
Arpa- with the uncertainty of everything, just can't see that anything "live" is possible at this point  
likely a gift card to say thanks which Erica and Michael might be able to distribute?

Laura- owns a small business and volunteered her time to create personalized tumblers for staff with a coffee gift card/ Monigram's voucher inside- will also include her own business card  
tumblers would be around \$5.25 each

Becca- to reach out to Monigram's to see if they are interested in this

### **3)Pro Grant**

Is planned for April 28th @7pm  
Information was sent out on School Day today  
capped at 250 parents, 15 parents responded today

### **4) Letter to School Board (Chromebooks)- Amy Fraser**

Amy- In Feb, Erica, Becca, Amy and superintendent, Angela Mercier met via google meet to discuss the letter sent from council to the school board

There is significant funding that comes in for each registered school, if that money is not spend in that calendar year, the money is pooled back into the entire board. The board will be reallocating almost \$6000 back to the school moving forward- there will be no carryover, product MUST be delivered in the school year it was ordered

Neil- well worth asking the questions!

Becca- Thanked Amy for asking the hard questions and following through with the letter, meeting, etc.

### **5)Myers Road Reconstruction**

Amy- the region, city, student transportation, Holy Spirit, Moffat Creek and the Board are all players in this Myers Rd. reconstruction pushing for a bus bay and GRT is pushing back, stating that it will cause route delays

walkway from California to a pedestrian island is still in the plans, although not with the level 2 cross over with lights

right now, parking along Myers Rd is a hard NO

Scott Hamilton, Ward 7 Councillor, is very passionate and brings new blood to the project

he is bringing a motion forward to council next week with regards to the need for parking along Myers Rd

The board has agreed to the back parking lot at the back of the school by the soccer field, however, the Region has not given permission for this parking lot

### **E)Principal's Report- Erica Gillespie**

Board has put a pause on staffing assignments for next year

SK/JK registrations are quite low

Mr. Woodfield is off on an extended medical leave

supply teachers are very hard to find and often have fail to fills within the school

there is the potential that schools will close if too many fail to fills, the school becomes unsafe if unable to staff classes properly

Forest school- Trees have had to come down (due to Emerald Ash borer) in the forested area around our forest school - Mr. Woodfield applied for a grant which might cover the cost to replace 1 tree

Mrs. Heather Campbell is a supply teacher at the school and currently taking a landscaping course. She will be using Moffat Creek School as a project for her assignments- looking to design a phased approach

Grade 8 grad- all grads within the board will be virtual

No awards, no gifts, no drive by  
looking at virtual during the day or evening

Grad photos- May 20th, Distance Learners will be included

**F)Adjourn-** meeting adjourned 8:20pm

**G)Next Meeting-** May 11, 2021 @6:30pm via Google Meet