J. R. Henderson School Council

Minutes

Thursday September 21, 2017

6:45 P.M. - 8:45 P.M, at the school

Attendance: Erica B., Emily C., Andria C., Jen F., Mark F., Oktay G., Angela H., Tanya H., Natalie K., Naomi M., Natasha M., Allyson T., Amanda V., Courtney J., Elizabeth B., Kym C., Meredith C., Renee L., Meghan B., Jeremy B., Jaci R., Maggie G., Angie C., Deirdre M., Jacqueline P., Tyler W.

Regrets: Sarah S., Anna C., Rachael L.

Acting Chair-Allyson T.

-welcome and introductions

June 2017 Minutes Approved: Erica B., Natalie K.

Principal’s Report-Jacqueline P.

-presentation about our school

-who we are as a school and how things work with school board

-dual track school approx 600 students

-Kim, Keri office staff

-Mark Edwards, DJ custodians

-two student support teachers

-parent and family literacy centre for parents and toddlers in school

-FCCC(in school) and Coppens, Henderson, Boys and Girls all before and after school programs connected to school

Jacqueline P.-Principal

-Bachelor from Concordia

-Masters from Queens

-third year at Henderson, 30 years in education

Vice Principal’s Report-Tyler W.

Tyler W.-Vice Principal

-all degrees from Queens

-past three years K-12 Vice-Principal in Kuwait

Roles of administration

-safe arrival of students

-responsible for meeting with staff

-managing facilities

-ensure kids are safely supervised

-talking with students formally and informally

-communicating with parents

-respond to board initiatives

Duties and Responsibilities

-create safe environment

-positive relationship with stakeholders

-ensuring materials are well distributed to students

-for concerns, parents’ first point of contact classroom teacher

-then Principal or Vice Principal

-contact by phone and voice mail (usually within 24 hours)

-our board (Limestone) has seven superintendents

-Henderson’s superintendant Andrie Labrie

-our Board Director Deborah Rantz

-our local Trustee Tom Mahoney

-Council’s Role

-concerned with improved student achievement

-make recommendations to Principal and school board

-further information regarding school councils available on Limestone website

PIC(Parent Advisory Committee)

chair: Robin Hutcheon

-to provide advice to board

-meet five times a year; October 5th first meeting

-asking at least one member of council to sign on to email list

-has invited at least one member of our council to attend PIC meetings

-next meetings scheduled for Nov 9, Feb 15, May 10

-contact: [gillams@limestone.on.ca](mailto:gillams@limestone.on.ca)

Angela C.

-offering mindfulness seminar (Save our September)

-LaSalle Monday September 25th

-workshop for high school and middle school students

Treasurer’s Report-Mark F., Natasha M.

-several invoices came in after June budget finalized

-$27,000 currently in budget

-$12 000 already allocated to Learning Commons, Playground Consumables

-$15 000 to be allocated with 10 000 earmarked for Primary Yard Remodel

-$5 000 to be allocated for 2017-2018 school year

Finance Committee-Mark F.

-looks at budget in a smaller group

-vote goes to larger council

Learning Commons-Christy D. (2017-2018)

-organize volunteers and work in learning commons (reshelving, maker space)

Movie Night-Angela H., Sarah S.

-organize once yearly school movie night

-operate canteens, pizza ordering, movie voting

Mayfair-Sarah S., Angela H.

-evening funfair run by school council

-one evening in May

-includes games, bbq, silent auction, bake sale, inflatables, face painting

Fundraising-Natasha M.

-Fresh from the Farm

-Acorn Art

-Popcorn days

-Mabel’s Labels

Consumables-Naomi M.

-sourcing playground equipment and purchasing

-distributing to classes

Hot Lunch-Erica B.

-three times a week

-looking for volunteers for handing out

-three terms

Website

-being updated by board

-Jacqueline will check timeline for completion

Eco Initiatives-Natalie K.

-last year hired Sam Leitenan to clean up the gardens

-also focused on “greening” school and events

-working on becoming Ontario Eco School

-promoting eco activities in school

Staff Appreciation-Amanda V.

-organizing a special day for Henderson staff

-asking parents to contribute baked goods, veggie trays etc.

-encouraging students and parents bring in cards, artwork etc.

Executive Nominations and Election:

Co-Chair. Allyson T. Acclaimed

Co-Chair Amanda V. Acclaimed

Secretary Angela H. Acclaimed

Co-Treasurers Mark F./Natasha M. Acclaimed

Open House

-Thursday September 28th

-Little Caesar’s Pizza/Water/Juice

-5:30-7:00, pizza 6:00

Budget 2017/2018

-planned playground hill renovation

-board $18 000, council $20 000 approx (over three years)

-now going to tender

Community Building and Resource Sharing Initiative

-Bayridge Public School

-agencies for parents to get help for their kids

Next Meeting: Thursday October 26

Meeting adjourned: Naomi M.

