

**Carseland Elementary School
Parent Council Meeting**

Monday, June 1, 2009

Present: T. McKinnon, Mr. Grimsdale, B Lausen, Y. Anderson, C Lausen, J Alce, C. Anderson, J. Cook, R. Cleveland, L. Lightfoot, J. Yates,

1. **Welcome** to all by Teri, and the meeting was called to order at 7:06pm

2. **Reports:**

Secretary's Report – The minutes were adopted.

Motion – Yvonne motioned that we adopt the minutes as they are.

2nd Motion – Linda

All in Favor

Passed

Treasurers Report – Connie stated that we currently had a balance of \$9339.59. There were still a couple of hot lunch expenses to come in. She gave her final report which is attached and mentioned that our fundraising profits were 12,773.17 this year which is excellent. We made approximately \$925 from the baskets this spring. We need to make an addendum to the previous motion of covering costs for the swimming as it came to more then what we had originally approved

Jenn Cook moved that we cover all the costs.

2nd Motion – Bobbi

All in Favor

Passed

A huge thank you for the 11 years of council support from Connie. This is her last year.

Fundraising Report – Sherry was not able to attend this evening and sent a message that she will not be able to continue on the board. Jenn Alce did the flower sales for us and said that 71 baskets were sold.

Students Report – Sarah was not able to attend. Claire reported that the track club Hershey Meet was on Sunday and everyone did well. Kailey Leys, Grady Strath and Devon Vander Velde qualified for provincials.

The grade six class is excited (sarcasm) for the PATS coming up.

The volunteer tea is coming up on June10 at 11:00.

The whole school wants to give a huge thank you to everyone who volunteered their time to help install our new, fun playground.

ECS has done an inquiry project on ladybugs and with the information that they have collected, they made a movie about it. Also their year end party will be held on June 23.

They sent a great thank you card with their picture on it to the School council for their new carpet.

The Grade 2 class is hatching butterflies right now and they have made family trees, the oldest person on the tree was born in 1866. Mrs. B says to come and see them one day.

They also want to say a huge thank you to everyone who helped put the new playground in; they love it and thank you for paying for their trip to the zoo.

The grade 3 class is taking a trip to the Calgary Humane Society and say thank you so much for paying for it.

The grade 4 class has done a fundraiser for the playground they raised around \$87 it was had and gum day.

The grade 5 class is going to be going on a field trip to the Royal Tyrell Museum for an evidence and investigation unit, thank you for covering the costs. We also enjoyed the golf lessons that we just had.

A cheque was also presented to the CKWC.

Thank you to Claire for doing such a great job this year, and good luck in junior high.

Teachers Report – Mrs. Gordon was not able to attend.

Hot Lunch – Last session coming up. We will not have a lunch on June 24th. There is also no hot lunch rep for 2009/2010 year.

Community Representative –Mrs. Page was not told about the change in dates so she was not able to attend this evening. Aggie days are being planned for June 26, 27, and 28th. She did ask if the school would be interested in putting in a float this year? As well any kids who want to decorate their bikes are welcome to go in it as well. There will be a flyer going into the red folders.

Carseland Kids Wellness Coalition – The Council gave a big thanks to all the members for all their hard work. There was a question about phase 2 and it was stated that there had been a request from Mr. Grimsdale to put some asphalt under the bike rack at the grade 4, 5, 6 end of the school. As well to put in some kind of a running track. Agrium donated \$15000 towards it.

There will be a picture of the kids on the play ground going on the community calendar this year. For this group to continue it needs more support. They found it too much work for 5 Moms.

Jelly Bean Dance – Jen said there were 59 kids and 3 injuries at the last dance. She wasn't sure why they were so excited but everyone seemed to have fun and she will continue to do it next year.

3. Trustee's Report – There were no trustees present.

3. Principal's Report –

1. Class Sizes

- a. Kindergarten – 13
- b. Grade 1 – 15
- c. Grade 2 – 16
- d. Grade 3 – 17
- e. Grade 4 – 23
- f. Grade 5 – 15
- g. Grade 6 – 16
- h. Total – 115

2. Character Education (Virtues Program)

- May- Tolerance, June- Honesty
- Virtue assembly TBA

3. Assessment

- Looking at doing student led conferences for next year

4. Technology

- Webpage (Continuing to update)

5. Other items

- Kindergarten thank-you for School Council
- Community Clean up was on May 6 a very windy day, but the town looks better.
- Reaching and Teaching (Ian Jukes.com) We are digital immigrants and students are digital natives
- Two school bands visited SHS and DCHS
- Grade six Students had a visit from CMJH to go over what it will be like in the Junior high school and what options are available.
- Student wrote part A for the Provincial Achievement Tests
- Carol Gordon is retiring, & Nicole Armstrong is leaving to have a baby
- Huge Thank you to CKWC and all of the volunteers for the playground and the installation
- Class configurations for next year
- Fundraiser for playground \$291.45, candy guess and hat & gum day
- Information night for kindergarten and grade one parents on June 3, at 6:00p.m.(kindergarten screening fair June 24th, and orientation is June 25th for both k &1)
- Next year staffing- Support staff reduction, 6.1 teachers, school will purchase 0.1 and AISI 0.1 two new hires Claire Deschenes and Dalouie Dilling
- AISI project for next year will be assessment Jodi Carlson will be the lead teacher.
- Swimming lessons were a success
- Hersey's Track Meet in Calgary- Devon, Kailey, and Grady qualified to go to Provincials in Edmonton
- Golfing Lesson still have one day left. Jamie at Speargrass has donated the golf lessons to the school.
- Professional Day in May the staff went over our three year education plan, talked about the benefits of having a student lead conferences and developed a list of next years virtues
- Field trips Gr.6 Tyrrell museum June 9th ,K,1 &2 zoo trip June 11th , grade 3 humane society field trip June 22nd
- Volunteer appreciation tea June 10th from 11:00-12:00
- Track meet is June 23
- Year end plan- June 26th Grade six recognition, June 29th year end swimming Calgary from 10-12, then lunch 1:00-1:40, awards 1:45
- The school has asked for funds from the PB club to purchase an active board and has asked the Jett Setters for funds to purchase accelerated reader.
- Golden Hills Long Service Awards will be held in Carseland this year. Carol will be honored. Thank you to Lynnette Weibe who has been working with our students to provide some entertainment on this night.
- Carseland School Brochure- input from School Council

Co-curricular Events

- Year end swimming- Past support from School Council has covered bussing costs. The school is requesting funding again for this school year.
- Golfing - Past support from School Council has covered bussing costs. The school is requesting \$533.94 for this school year.

6. Cultural events

- Past support from School Council has covered the cost up to \$800.00 for a Cultural Performance. The school is requesting \$630.00 funding for the Michael Mitchell “Canada Is for Kids” performance.

7. Other requests

- a. In September Carseland School requested \$350.00 for KCLICKS School Council donated \$100.00 in September. The School is requesting \$250.00 to purchase prizes.

Motion – Jenn C motioned that we support the request for bussing (\$415.80) the kids to swimming the last day, and pizza and juice, for the bussing for golfing (\$533.94), for the Micheal Mitchel performance (\$630) and for the rest of the Klicks prize fund (\$250).

2nd Motion – Yvonne

All in Favor

Passed

It was also requested from the CKWC that we get a new picture that was taken and frame it for Mrs. Gordon’s thank you gift.

6. Old Business:

Reaching for Teaching Report –The topic was “Who is the 21st Century Learner” and with all the technology changes the curriculum is far behind and most likely not catch up to the speed of which the changes are taking place.

Year End Party – Bobbie will order the pizza and Rhonda will get freezies and Juice for June 29th, 1:00. We also need extra people to hand out everything.

7. New Business:

Staff Appreciation Lunch– We would like class reps to find supervisors for the class rooms and playground on June 12th.

September Executive elections – President will be Rhonda Cleveland, Secretary will be Bobbie Lausen and Treasurer will be Jenn Alce. We will need Fundraising coordinator, Teacher Representative, Student Representative and Hot Lunch Coordinator positions filled. Trudy Page will continue on as Community Representative.

Teri said Thank you to everyone and wishes the new council all the best. Thank you to Teri as well for all her years of support.

Meeting adjourned at 8:40pm.

Next Meeting – September 21, 2009 @7:00PM