



**FFCA NORTH MIDDLE SCHOOL
SCHOOL COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
NOVEMBER 25TH, 2013
7:05 – 8:35PM**

In Attendance:

Key Dang, Gloria McCracken, Channi Toor, Nancy Narang, Pamela Wilson, Shawna Drummond, Erica Oseen, Bill McGregor, Marla Johnston, Auralee Wolfe

Regrets:

Ida Langston, Lorne McDonald, Sukhmeet Dhillon

1. Meeting commenced with a round table introduction

2. Approval of Agenda:

- Moved by: Channi
- Seconded by: Gloria
- **Approved**

3. Approval of October Meeting Minutes:

- Moved by: Channi
- Seconded by: Gloria
- **Approved**

4. Administrator Update:

- Grade 8 will be going to the Vertigo Theater this Wednesday.
- High School is presenting the Little Mermaid play.
- Skiing at C.O.P ~ Grade 7 goes on December 5th and Grade 8 January 8th.
- Visit to the Food Bank ~ Grade 8 goes on December 11th.
- Using Community funds, NMS will be attending the High School dress rehearsal December 13th.
- December 18th we will be having our Christmas Concert.
- On March 5th and 6th, Paul Davis will be speaking about Social Networking.
- Lorne mentioned that the Character Kid nominations concerning acts of kindness or character shown by students is going really well. Student is showcased in the newsletter and assemblies.
- Fall break was well taken.
- Report cards went out.
- New parent partnership: looking at new ways to involve parents and looks beyond volunteering tasks. Some events like kid and parent potluck and parent career presentations.

- Boot racks ~ found a builder and received a quote for 50 racks to build. Using Council money to pay for it. Quote included with the minutes. **Moved by Nancy, seconded by Gloria, Approved**
- SRC purchased a T.V. to place above character wall.
- Food bank so far has been very successful.
- 12 Days of Christmas is soon approaching ~ house competitions to donate food.
- Christmas concert admission is a donation to the food bank.
- SRC idea ~ Grades 5 & 6 will be competing between campuses January and February regarding birthday bag food bag day.

5. Committee Reports:

a. Treasurer:

- SUTP Balance ~ Key will contact Rep to clear it up.
- Statement of Operations ~ \$13,679.44. Statements included with the minutes.

b. Fundraising/SUTP:

- Casino funds are paying for SRC request for lighting.
- Looking into funding a ski field trip for grade 5 & 6 next year...spell-a-thon in the spring around April 22nd. Channi will be setting up a plan for our next meeting. Shawna confirmed that it would cost \$3000 to send one grade level to C.O.P. and \$500 for bussing. To send the whole school it would cost \$14,000, just under \$30/student.
- Opt-out fundraising. Pamela will talk to the NEW about how they plan for this...maybe this option can be sent out with the first set of fundraising papers.

c. Volunteer Coordinator:

- No Update

d. Hot Lunch:

- Pasta from Pizza Hut went very well.
- In the process of interviewing vendors
- Xtreme Pita for Dec. and Opa for Jan.
- Need vendors for April and May.
- SRC's list of lunch suggestions looks good.
- ASC asked going online to order for next year...looking into it.

e. Community Liaison:

- Laurie Aldridge is resigning from position. Erica has taken her place.
- Teacher appreciation night is going to take place January 30th.

6. Report from Board Member:

- Parental Partnership ~ still in the process. Looking at the changing needs of students. Board is looking into how parents can get involved with their kids.
- Need to keep parents, teachers and board involved in conversation and see what it looks like.
- Big task ahead...Preferred future, setting vision for FFCA: Staff, board and administration completed this exercise with an outside facilitator. Parents will have their turn this February.
- Board is running a "Zero Based Budgeting" program. Trying to understand how to make the campuses run more efficiently.
- NMS will be responsible to present to the Board. Board meetings are usually held on Wednesdays, on the website the April Board meeting is April 16th.

7. Additions to Agenda:

a. Community Funds:

- December 5th Community Funds will be allocated.

b. Council Appreciation night:

- March 14th School Council appreciation night at the Deerfoot Casino.

c. SRC:

- Asked students “What does parental involvement look like to you?” Students suggested; Bake sale, bring parent to school day or parents supervise over lunch hour.
- Food Bank drive/competition with SMS February or March...losing team pay for lunch for other council. Nancy will talk to ASC. Nancy will give us an update at our next meeting.
- Christmas gift for SRC members, asking for \$50 from Council to cover cost. **Moved by Nancy, seconded by Gloria, Approved**
- Nancy’s School Puzzle Project along with a parent letter will be sent out before Christmas.
- Maintenance money to pay for new mats at all entrances if the school.

8. 2013-2014 Meeting Dates:

- Will have meetings on the 3rd Monday of the month
- Meeting dates are: February 10th, March 17th, April 14th, May 12th, June 9th

9. Meeting Adjourned at 8:35 pm

- **Moved by Pamela, seconded by Gloria, Approved**

