

Woodman-Cainsville School Council Minutes
Monday, December 7, 2015
6:30 p.m.

Welcome – School Council Vice-Chair, Stephanie Ward welcomed everyone to the meeting. Members present: Janice Brinson, Treasurer; Rose Smith, Tom Smith, Norris Ward, Jamie Russell, Melanie LeBlanc (BCHU), Principal Diannah Dean, Jan Scheidt – Teacher Rep;

WCSC 2015 – 30 **MS** that the minutes from November 9, 2015 meeting be approved as presented. **CARRIED**

Review of Action Items from November meeting:

1. Teacher needs – Diannah will inform staff of this at the next staff meeting, Tuesday, January 5, 2016.
2. Milk bags were not purchased due to the high cost of the bags. Janice Brinson is waiting to see if there are Boxing Day sales. In the meantime, doubling up of classes appears to be fine to date.
3. Kira Germann's class is once again the Moo Crew. Mrs. Penny Wyatt has arranged for older students to empty the bags and place the freezer packs back into the freezer.

Principal's Report: There are a total of 298 students now. Mrs. Ricker will soon be starting maternity leave. Interviews for her position happen on Monday, December 14. Natalie Blackman is the new half-time secretary and Paulette Doyon has returned as full-time secretary.

School fundraising: Pita pit lunches (twice a month) and chocolate bar sales are the current fundraisers. Chocolate bar sales are not going as well as hoped. Monies from the chocolate bars need to be in by Friday, December 11.

Friendship House Christmas Tea: Occurred on Tuesday, December 2 and was well received by the students and staff.

Class Trips: Mr. Zelazny/Mrs. Wainwright classes are off to Toronto Friday, December 11th. Primary classes are off to Apps Mills (Grades 2, 4, 6); Junior /Intermediate classes are going bowling the afternoon of Wednesday, December 9 as part of their Hero reward; primary classes are having a pyjama and movie day as part of their Hero reward on Friday, December 18th. Helpers in grades 5 – 8 plus students who wish to pay \$18 are going to see the Star Wars movie on Friday, December 18.

Adopt a School – Coles/Indigo: Initially, the school was given \$1700 through this fundraiser in September. Staff and Principal Dean purchased about \$700 worth of books with another scheduled shopping trip to take place in the new year. An additional \$5000 was donated to the school by Coles. Suggested purchases included the Forest

of Reading books by Jan Scheidt and mini Ipads as the school is having issues with donated computers hooking up to the Board's wifi network. Norris Ward commented that donated computers in the school are now six to seven years old and soon will need to be replaced as they become outdated.

Snack Program: Approximately, \$1004 was donated to the school's snack program by four vet clinics. More information on this donation was sent home in the school newsletter by Principal Dean.

Christmas concert: This will take place on Tuesday, December 15 at 1:30.

Junior Volleyball: The Co-ed team participated in a tournament on Thursday, December 3 and won 2 / lost 2. The Senior girls' team won six games in their tournament on Friday, December 4, but lost in the finals.

Progress reports: Progress reports and IEPs will be sent home Wednesday, December 9th.

Financial Report: Ms. Doyon has updated our account. \$1873.00 is in our account, but the milk needs to be paid out.

Movie Night: The next movie night will take place on Friday, January 15, 2016. Pizza will be pre-ordered and pre-paid on forms that will go home the first week in January. We will order the pizza from Domino's as it is guaranteed to be nut-free. Doors open: 6:00 p.m. We will try to start the movie at 6:15 p.m. Hotel Transylvania 2 will be the movie shown. Popcorn supplies that need to be purchased include oil, popcorn (2 bags), seasoning salt, water and juice. Diannah offered to make the purchases. Stephanie W. will rent the movie.

Milk – Online ordering: Janice has inquired about ordering milk online and has obtained the code needed. MOMS – online ordering system – there is a lot to set up but hopefully, this will be done by January.

Goals: We reviewed the goals from the last meeting. We went through the items that were donated to last year and projected what monies will be needed this year. We discussed the following fundraisers.

Metro Grant: Melanie LeBlanc has applied for this grant on our behalf.

Fundraiser for Woodman Family: There are three families that are affected by this rare genetic disorder in Brantford. Already in process is a fundraiser for a high school student at PJ who suffers from the same disorder as the Woodman family children. Rose Smith shared the information that the family is delighted that the school would try to help out the family. It was suggested that someone talk to the Woodman Community

Centre about hosting a community fundraiser for medical costs for the Brantford families.

Student Council United Way Hat Day fundraiser: Student Council hosted a hat day on Friday, December 4, and approximately \$285.00 was raised for the United Way. A parent expressed concerned about having hat days due to head lice issues. Information was shared by our school nurse that there is assistance for purchasing hair products for families in need when head lice is detected.

Kidtastic fundraiser: A portion of the day's proceeds (50%) goes back to the school. School Council needs to pick a date and advertise the information.

Domino's Pizza: It was decided to look into this. The School Council will pick a six-week period and advertise that 10% of orders for Woodman-Cainsville families will come back to the school. It was decided to promote mid-February to the end of March as the time frame for this event.

Raffle Prizes: There will be two or three raffle baskets available for the Christmas concert.

Scholastic Book Fair: It was decided that this will be postponed until Education Week when parents will be more likely to attend an event plus the book fair. With the donation from Indigo/Chapters/Coles, the library will be in good shape.

Other concerns: People are illegally parking in the drive-thru at Woodman Community Centre. Diannah will send out a reminder to parents to use the parking spaces only when dropping off children as this is a safety issue.

Motion to Adjourn at 7:35 p.m.

Next council meeting: Monday, January 11, 2016 beginning at 6:30 in the staff room.

Respectfully submitted,

Jan Scheidt, Recording Secretary

ACTION ITEMS:

1. Diannah Dean will talk to staff (at the January staff meeting) suggesting that teachers who need items for their classroom, write a letter to School Council with those needs. School Council will then vote on which needs to support. This will give School Council an idea of how much fundraising needs to occur.

2. Diannah Dean will purchase items for the next movie night (popcorn, seasoning salt, oil, water, juice)
3. Stephanie to bring a raffle basket for the Christmas concert on December 15. Others offered to contribute as well were ???
4. Janice B. to sign up Woodman-Cainsville for ordering milk online.
5. Diannah D. to send out a letter to parents reminding them to park in the spaces at the Woodman Community Centre and not to stop in the thru lane.
6. Stephanie to contact Domino's pizza to participate in the fundraiser from mid-February to end of March.