



SOCIÉTÉ DES PARENTS POUR L'ÉDUCATION FRANCOPHONE DE WAINWRIGHT (SPEF)
MINUTES
1 November, 2018

Present: Sarah de la Sablonnière-Boily, Sonia Lachance, Éline Durocher, Audrey St-Pierre, Cheryl Cokes, Céline von Engelhardt, Kathy Mossop, Marie-Ève Blais

Regrets : Lyndsay Schock, Sandra Burr, Julie Belisle

1. CALL TO ORDER/OPENING REMARKS

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 p.m.

2. We take this opportunity to acknowledge the traditional territories of First Nations peoples of the Treaty 6 region of Central Alberta, also the ancestral lands of the Métis Nation of Alberta, Region 2.

3. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Motion: To approve the minutes of 4 October 2018 as circulated

Motion By: Cheryl Cokes

Seconded By: Marie-Ève Blais

Carried

4. ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA : NIL

5. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Motion: to approve the agenda as circulated

Motion By: Audrey St-Pierre

Seconded By: Éline Durocher

Carried

6. TREASURER'S REPORT

Cheryl will provide a monthly statement at the next meeting. Currently the balance of both the operating account and Casino account is \$11,286.49 with approximately \$5,000 earmarked for the playground fund. So far hot lunch orders have brought in approximately \$200 in e-transfers alone. Cash and cheques will be collected at the conclusion of tonight's meeting.

7. CASINO COMMITTEE REPORT

Sonia was involved with the school's last casino event and will provide the name of the facilitator previously used. The committee will compare rates and hire a facilitator for the 2019 event. The next step will be to recruit volunteers (not just school parents) to fill all positions, for three shifts over two days (March 8 and 9). The committee also needs to determine if school staff are permitted to work the event.

8. FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE REPORT

The committee has selected a Christmas fundraiser and will send out information to parents shortly. The "Merry & Bright" campaign sells a variety of holiday cards and wrapping, kitchen gadgets and home décor that can be ordered online and delivered directly to the recipients.

An in-house fundraiser will also take place, where students can make Christmas cards and pay (\$0.50/card) to send them to each other.

Kathy will look into a magazine subscription fundraiser and if there is no cost to joining, will sign the school up.

9. PLAYGROUND COMMITTEE REPORT

The committee needs to raise another \$2,000 to proceed with the required upgrades. In the meantime, the safety plaques have been ordered which indicate the age-range for which the equipment is safety-rated.

Celine will draft letters requesting donations from local organisations and manpower from the town of Wainwright, for when the time comes.

Audrey will contact CO-OP to explore any possible fundraisers that could benefit the playground fund.

10. HOT LUNCH PROGRAM REPORT

The committee sent a letter to parents indicating that hot lunch proceeds would go towards the playground upgrades. Meals will be provided four times through November and December at a cost of \$5 per person.

Kathy will pick-up and distribute the Subway order on November 8th.

Celine will get information from Julie's files regarding last year's Christmas dinner provided by CO-OP and coordinate this year's meal, planned for December 20th.

10. ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA/NEW BUSINESS

- **Student budget 2018-2019**

The SPEF voted unanimously to grant a \$500 global budget to the teachers to support their classroom activities. The money should be divided equally between Mme Francine, Mme Diane, Mme Sonia, Mme Alex and Mme Sarah.

- **Music program funding**

Mme Elaine has been exploring ways to include music programming, in French, despite a lack of expertise among the school staff. One option might be to work with the *Centre de développement musical*. The SPEF voted unanimously that the balance of Casino funds (approximately \$5,000) could be earmarked for this purpose as it would meet the educational purpose mandated by the Alberta Gaming and Liquor Commission. Mme Elaine will explore possibilities with the Conseil and report back to us at the next meeting.

- **New SPEF member**

The SPEF officially welcomes Kathy Mossop as a councillor to the board.

11. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m

Motioned by Audrey; Seconded by Cheryl.

12. NEXT MEETING will take place on December 6, 2019 after the regular meeting of the conseil d'école at 6:00 pm.