**School Council Minutes**

**September 19th, 2019**

Jim Wachnuk

Kristen Pichette

JJ Smits Crawford

Tracy Conlin

Shayna Laskin

Jessica Watts

Karla Lisi

Sebastien Perdu, Rentu (sp?)

Jennifer Deschenes (Staff rep)

Regrets: Tanya Simpson

1. Welcome and introductions

* School Council is an advisory body
* Goal of improving school experience for students
* Collection of email addresses

1. PIC (Parent Involvement Committee) Dates

* October 29th AGM
* Members of School Councils share information and ideas about their school community
* Speakers are invited to present to PIC

1. Setting dates for School Council

* 4 meetings throughout school year
* Meetings at 6:30pm
* Meeting dates set for: November 13, January 15, March 11, June 10

1. School Council Elections

* Chair: sets agenda in consultation with Principal, shares school wide initiatives/praise/concerns between parent community and administration
* Tracy self nominates as Chair, seconded by JJ. Shayna Laskin self nominates as Vice-Chair, seconded by Jessica Watts

1. Principal’s Report

* We are continuing to support students in the building with purchases such as sports jerseys, technology, breakfast club, etc
* Enrollment is at 235 students for this school year
* Kayla Cote new staff member (prep coverage)
* Sue supports and organizes Breakfast Club; Breakfast Club is ‘grab and go’ format
* Sports events are in full swing; first running meet is next week
* Fundraising Plan: plan is submitted by Principal and must be approved by Board. Plan outlines fundraising initiatives throughout the school year
* Character Education (goal of giving back): Terry Fox is Friday September 26th , Canned Food Drive, Infant Food Bank, many more fun events for students support various initiatives to support our larger community
* Book Fair: Lori Bardell is our new Library technician and will run our Book Fair for the school, funds raised used to replenish library books
* Winter Clothing Drive: supports families in our community
* Terry Fox: Pancake breakfast and spaghetti lunch for class with the highest total per child as an incentive
* School Cash Online: our enrollment is very high

1. Other business

* Play structure 🡪 school is working to find a solution to parts of the structure that are a safety concern
* Head lice check 🡪 parent concerns have been shared with Lice Squad
* Family Night being planning for the Spring 🡪 considering Science North and Science Night
* Bingo 🡪 new dates will be announced for 2020
* Consider another fundraiser through Nickel City cheese

1. Adjournment