

## Green Acre School Community Council

### April 2021 Meeting

**Date:** April 22, 2021

**Location:** Rapid View Rec Centre, Seniors Room

#### **Attendees:**

Jenn Vidal	Lynda Letkeman	Fabiola Chretien	Darrel Ginther
Jen Jones	Tanya Fisher	Amanda Mielke	Mark Hildebrand
Michelle Hildebrand		Rhonda Harkins	Bobbi Bremner

**Meeting Chair:** Jenn Vidal

**Minutes taken by:** Jen Jones

1. **Call to Order:** at 7:07 p.m. by Jenn V
2. **Amendments and adoption of agenda:** Jenn V. suggested that sex-ed letter be added as 5)c. Darrel made a motion to adopt agenda as amended. Seconded by Bobbi. All in favour.
3. **Adoption of minutes from Feb. 25, 2021 meeting:** Tanya made the motion to adopt the minutes from last meeting. Seconded by Lynda.
4. **Review of Old Business**
  - a. Sewing Machine Purchase: Thanks to Amanda for ordering and Jenn V. for picking them up. The totes are still on order.
  - b. Easter Hot lunch funded by SCC: the chicken strips and fries were well received, Sandi`s Poutinerie did a great job. Less than budgeted (\$464.54)!
  - c. Spring Activities that SCC to be involved in:
    - i. Carnival (Michelle): The school will be holding a derby car race in June (22 or 24) and wondered if the SCC would like to be involved in organizing a carnival that afternoon. There are supplies still from a previous event the Fundraising Committee held. Would just require organizing and setting up.
    - ii. Other ideas? Due to Covid, it is still unsure what is and isn't allowed as far as parent/volunteer involvement. Will discuss further at next meeting to see what regulations will allow.
  - d. ML Community Scholarship Donation Letter: Jenn went over the details of the scholarship and Bobbi added additional info. She will contact Joanne Carter to see if the money can be divided between former Green Acre students. We have \$2,716 available in our budget for the rest of the year. Lynda made a motion to donate \$500 towards the community scholarship. Jen J. seconded. All in favour.
5. **New Business**
  - a) All School Photo- Jenn V. volunteered to look after this.

- b) Grade 8 scholarships: There will be five students graduating Grade 8 this year. Last year Kirstyn Wright did packages through Innovation Credit Union. Bobbi is checking if she can do this again. The letter from the SCC with the scholarship info was added to the packages. Jen J. is checking into where a copy of the letter can be found. Lynda made a motion to give each Gr. 8 student a \$100 scholarship, for a \$500 total. Amanda seconded. All in favour.
- c) Sex-ed letter: Jenn V. provided a copy of Mr. Radford's letter to parents (not yet sent out) and previews from the lessons to be covered. Lynda talked about what has been traditionally done via Public Health, teachers and Wellness Coordinators (Always Changing program). Mr. Radford has already agreed to separate students by gender (Gr. 5-8 girls together and Gr. 5-8 boys together). Several parents noted that further splitting would be great for content and maturity level (having Gr. 5/6 separate from Gr. 7/8, plus still divided by gender). The concern was noted that there may not be enough staff to accommodate that request. Jenn V. agreed to carry these concerns to Mr. Radford and parents are encouraged to contact Mr. R directly as well. He is flexible and more than willing to hear parents' concerns.

**6. Principals Report:** Read by Jenn V. Congrats Carter. Several wondered if Carter's winning story can be shared to the school's website.

**7. Division Report:** no report.

#### **8. Round Table**

- a) Staff are looking into doing a track and field event in June (8 or 10) for the Green Acre students. Some traditional events, plus fun ones inspired by I CAN Games. Could the SCC help with a hot dog lunch? Depends on Covid restrictions. Amanda and her mom (Vicki) both have Safe Food Handling and could likely help.
- b) Skating Rink update from winter: Bobbi informed that the rink was not done this past year due to Covid regulations, plus the weather. The rink is planned to go ahead this next winter (so far). Bobbi will take the info back to her Dad that there are several who can help with the workload as needed.
- c) Bobbi talked about the building updates for the Rec Centre. One item of interest to the students benefit is a curtain track (vs. the drape holders on the sides of the stage). They were quoted \$691 plus tax to install. The existing curtains can still be used with the new system. Jen J. will check to see if the SCC can contribute towards this. There is now a wheelchair access door, just needs to be installed. The boiler system will be the next big upgrade.
- d) After School Program: There are 14 kids when full. Another person was just orientated (Emily Demans) to help when over the 10:1 ratio.
- e) If anyone wishes to make contributions towards Irwin Beaudry (lost home to fire) they can take their donation to Alcott Embroidery.

**9. Next Meeting:** May 20 at 7:00 p.m. at the Rec Centre.

Meeting adjourned by Jenn V. at 8:35 p.m.