

Westhaven School Council Meeting Agenda
December 7, 2020 at 7pm in the School Library

1. Call meeting to order
2. Introductions
3. Approve October minutes
4. Outstanding Action Items
 - Student Christmas Gifts
 - Picnic Tables
5. Treasurers Report (Sara)
6. Snack Program (On Hold)
7. Hot Lunch Program (Serina)
8. Principal and Teachers Report
9. New Business
10. Next Meeting January 11, 2021
11. Meeting Adjourned

Fundraising Meeting

1. Call meeting to order
2. Fundraising (Denay)
3. Meeting adjourned

Ecole Westhaven School Council
Meeting Minutes for December 7th 2020

Attendees: Denay McMorran, Candace Lawson, Jane Marcoff, Debra Boos, Justine Kerr, Sara Beck, Joan Zaporosky, Fiona Fowler, Sarah Stewart

Meeting brought to order 7:01 pm

Outstanding Action Items

Picnic Tables

- Candace got ahold of Parkland and they are unable to make them for us at this time.
- Wood tables at Home Hardware \$119, if treated extra \$4 per board. These would need to be built and varnished. Another option \$250 with metal brackets.
- Debra prefers the ones with metal brackets.
- Discussed seeing if there would be volunteers to build and if not hire out the work. Debra and Candace will do a shoutout.
- The tables have to be ordered, Candace will call Home Hardware and see how long it would take to get in.
- All in favor to go ahead with this plan.

Christmas Gift

- Candace ordered scholastic books for each student. Denay bought bookmarks to add as well as candy canes.
- Books \$912.34, Bookmarks \$76.27. Total of \$988.61
- Candace will aim for Friday to take them to the school so that way they can sit for a few days before being handed out to the students.

Treasurers Report

- Denay did report as she had all the information with her.
- Sara and Denay will be going to RBC tomorrow (Tuesday the 8th) to add Sara to the account.
- Account at \$24,362.50. This is after paying for the Christmas books.
- \$3,000 was donated to council by Velvet Energy.
- \$5,387.72 profit was made from the fundraiser.

Snack Program

- Mother Hubbards cupboard is still available to students.
- Jane and Deb have been handing out snacks. They have scaled back on delivery personal to the school, so the program is slowing down.
- Still have lots of funds available for snack due to nutrition grant, left over from the Weyerhaeuser and Vermillion donations.

Principal Report (Debra)

- Teachers are feeling more stressed as the numbers and restrictions rise.
- 66 kids are out of school, some due to close covid contact, some leary and some with health issues.
- Taking steps to limit the amount of staff interacting with students. Library and music teachers are no longer going from class to class. Gym is still running, but has been outside due to the nice weather. EA's and Liason are not meeting with as many kids.
- Annual Report has been reviewed they request minutes to be labeled 'School Council' instead of parent council.
- The school has come up with a motto for the times: WE CARE. 'We' for Westhaven, C-Creative, A- Adaptable, R- Resilient, E- Empathetic.
- Staff is concentrating and working on literacy goals for comprehension along side a literacy consultant. Also working on math with a numeracy consultant. For more information this can be found on the school web page.
- Christmas CONcert will be virtual, video to be released on Dec 18th.
- 17th PJ and hot chocolate day. Report cards will be sent home.
- Jan 5-9th will be virtual learning.

GYPsd Board Report (Joan and Fiona)

- They had a meeting about the Living Waters boundaries. Some of the changes being discussed could affect zoning for schools and the operation of smaller schools within gypsd.
- GYPsd is doing a demographic study on attendance specifically to look at bus boundaries. This is for elementary schools only. The board will not be doing the study but an outside company. This is in response to the Westhaven school council having concerns about how small the boundary for Westhaven is and how large Mary Bergerons is. It was brought to light that the boundaries had not changed since Evergreen merged with A.H. Dakin to make MBE, combining both of those boundaries to be MBE. Westhaven Council is glad that this study is being performed.
- The three year report is available on the GYPsd website.

No New Business

Fundraiser meeting put on hold until further notice

Next meeting Jan 11th 2021 at 7pm

Meeting Adjourned 7:41pm