

Coalbanks School Council
Minutes – October 1, 2018 6:30 pm

1. Call to Order – 6:32
Attendance: Parents: Kara Carriere- Chair, Kathi Burnett – Vice Chair, Raminder Bajwa – Treasurer, Bonnie Mikalson-Andron – Secretary, plus 11
Staff: Joey Gentile – Principal, Brianne Hutchinson, Carmen Carvalho
Others: Cinnamon Meldrum – Canadian Blood Services
2. Review and Approval of Agenda – Paul/Dykstra Carried
3. Approval of September Minutes – Martindale/Burnett Carried
4. Reports:
 - a. Canadian Blood Services - Cinnamon Meldrum
 - Partner for Life with LethSD 51
 - Young Blood for Life with high schools (age 17)
 - Art Showcase with elementary school to decorate the clinic – Coalbanks Gr 1 is currently on display
 - b. School Report - Joey Gentile
 - One District One book, one book for each student in each school. Still looking for donations. 1d1blethbridge.wixsite.com
 - Portable update – ahead of schedule, might be able to get in before Christmas Break. Requesting four more portables for next year. Boundaries are being reviewed, so their maybe changes in the future.
 - School Plan – two goals
 - Literacy – home reading
 - Problem Based Learning – project based learning, presented with problems and develop solutions.
 - Front Entrance – Family Centre entrance should not be used, for emergency only, cannot be monitored. Teacher entrance is a safety issue due to the parking lot. Students should not be hovering by the front doors
 - Communications – Remind, sign up for newsletter, website, Facebook, Twitter
 - Spanish Heritage Night – Oct 27th for Spanish students and families
 - Halloween – Costumes will be for the entire day. See further details below
 - Should there be outside recess? Costume damage, safety issue
 - Pumpkin Carving Night – Oct 30th, snacks provided by School Council
 - Remembrance Day Service - Thursday Nov 9th
 - School Clothing – Will be coming, but looking for a different company, online ordering.
 - c. District Council Report – N/A

5. Treasurer: Raminder Bajwa
School council had \$8,137.19 as of Sept 10th, 2018 (last meeting).

Following transactions took place since then:

\$2052.00 - Sept's hot lunch on Sept 27th.

Breakdown is as follows:

\$1794 is direct hot lunch purchase.

\$258 was collected as donations for less fortunate student. On Kara's suggestion, a separate financial statement element was created for such donations. Out of \$258; \$24 was spent towards providing hot lunch to such kids. That leaves the balance of \$234. This amount will be used for providing hot lunch for this purpose in future.

Ending balance as of today: **\$10,189.19**

Outstanding cheques (written/approved but not cashed yet)

Angie - \$256.16 towards sept hot lunch supplies

Boston Pizza - \$1066.72 as hot lunch

Kara - \$30 as Tim Horton's gift card draw

6. Committee Reports:
- a. Society Committee – Kathi Burnett
 - Decision was made last meeting to go ahead with a Society for large fundraising projects
 - Currently looking at sensory wall
 - b. Hot Lunch Committee – Chair: Kara Carriere
 - Largest order for Sept, 299 orders
 - 40 donated lunches, left over money has been set aside for future lunches
 - \$512 profit
 - Request for accommodations for allergies etc.
 - Hot Dogs Oct 24th
7. Old Business
- a. Facebook – Kathi Burnett
 - A group has been created, more private, must join
 - Coalbanks Elementary School Council
 - b. Dance-A-Thon
 - i. Update on Planning – insert schedule
 - Donation form will be sent home this Thursday, asking for student to each raise \$20.
 - ii. Prizes – \$50 gift card for student who raised the most, Sunday Bar for each grade that gets the most donations (based on class average)
 - iii. DJ – Sounds Unlimited \$500

Motion: To spend up to \$1200 to cover Dance-a-Thon costs.

- \$600 prize, \$500 DJ \$100 decoration

Burnett/Harding Carried

- iv. Volunteers – initial email has gone out looking for volunteers, call for further volunteers.
- v. Scotia Bank matching program – Raminder Bajwa – up to \$5000, dependent upon availability of bank staff.

8. New Business

- a. Pumpkin Carving night – October 30 6 pm - 7:30 pm
 - Volunteers for handing out pumpkins and scooping ice cream
- b. Fundraising ideas for the spring
 - Ask to bring idea for spring fundraiser to Nov meeting
- c. Vinyl sign proposal
 - \$500-\$600 to get signage done
 - Looking for additional quotes
- d. Specific fundraising for Spanish Programs
 - Spanish classes do get extra funding due to increased cost of materials etc.

9. Adjournment – 7:39 pm

10. Next Meeting: November 5 at 6:30pm