

Arborfield SCC Regular Meeting

May 7, 2021

Present- Patrick, Julie, Natassia, Stacey, Mavis, Melissa, Kevin Trew

1. Called to order by Patrick at 1:13pm Julie moved to open meeting Mavis second it.
2. Minutes from the March 29 meeting were read, no errors or omissions, adopted by Julie and Stacey second it
3. Financial Report- read by Julie we have \$2083.13 but have some cheques to be cashed for easter items bought \$125.55, books for literacy week \$68.99, Lina \$90 so after purchasing gift cards for baskets should have around \$1768.59 Patrick will purchase gift cards but waiting because of Arborfield Coop machine down. Mavis made a motion to pass the financials as read, Natassia second it.
4. SRC report- Patrick sent Mavis the SRC events that we requested for our AGM, Mavis will put with AGM minutes. The SRC has \$3315.74 in their account. April was a busy month they did a coloring contest for easter, spirit week and did a school wide zoom activity the kids had fun. May we are doing literacy week from the 10-16, the SRC is planning a couple of activities for this. Spirit week is May 17-21, and May 28 is school wide outdoor activity. June is still in planning events.
5. Principal Report- 76 students attending school. HR has told us that we will have the same number of teachers as this year. One staff member leaving for TMSS so will need to fill her position. There will be an adjustment to grade 4 class next year as we have a large kindergarten class coming up so the grades will be K and 1, grade 2,3 and 4 split, grade 4 split, 5,6. Julie asked how they decided who was to go in which class when split is done, Patrick said they looked at EA support, maturity, siblings etc, the teachers discussed where the kids would go. For highschool the classes will be in house classes with one online. Graduation will follow the provincial guidelines for grad there are not separate rules for NESD, they will do a outdoor grad, assigned seating for immediate family only and will live stream it. Graduation will be on June 18, 2021 at 4:30 pm. Update on the water bottle station we were approved for 1, with the possibilities of getting a second one, the first one will go in highschool end by the gym. Water cooler in elementary end so they have access to water. The chemical disposal company will be coming out to our school to remove old and unlabeled chemicals from the science lab. This will take possibly 2-3 days from May 10-19. Patrick has booked Pasquia Park for June 14 for grades 7-12 to go golfing if approved. He would like to have k-6 go swimming, but not sure yet as pasquia has to look into lifeguards, and if we can have access to change rooms. Unsure if the whole k-6 can go at once or be split up, will have to wait on a few things and approval. Kindergarten grad is June 22, 2021 only parents can attend. Elementary track and field is June 24 only our school will be there to do events, the SCC will donate food,

unfortunately due to Covid restrictions no community members or parents are allowed to go. We discussed maybe purchasing medals for all the elementary kids, for job well done this year. Julie offered to look into prices on that then we will decide on what to do. Mavis asked about maybe a rock climbing wall, but with restrictions unsure that can happen and safety also Patrick will look into it.

6. Other Business: Kevin Trew was present, he discussed the ongoing bussing issue we are having, there is union issue involved in this so that is why posting is temporary, the transportation board is trying and are still looking for busdrivers as this is very frustrating for parents. Kevin status he has a job he started in Outlook as of April 6, 2021, but he is still a resident of Carrot River. His house has not sold yet, so he will stay on the board until that happens, then he will resign then there will be a bi election. Kevin discussed graduation that at a board level NESD will follow the Provincial Guidelines so everyone is on the same page. Kevin liked that we were looking into getting a speaker to come talk about anxiety to the students, and hopes we can get one before end of school year. Kevin touched base on the meeting that was held for stakeholders, he apologizes for the miscommunication, moving forward with NESD he wants to have a community wide meeting, with board members present and Don Remple, this will be a virtual meeting. Kevin will get in contact with our SCC members to get the info out to the community, with mailouts and posters put up in Zenon Park and Arborfield. The SCC will help out and it was discussed between Kevin and Lina that Patrick should not do any of the organizing or planning. Kevin will talk to the NESD board and see about a meeting the first week of June after supper. Kevin asked for a couple of SCC members to help him out to get this meeting information out so Julie and Mavis said they would.
7. Literacy Week- May 10-16, the SCC is making up baskets that will be on display for the kids to see, there will be seven baskets given out. Patrick said they created a tally sheet for the kids to record their minutes, the SRC are going to do a couple of events throughout the week. The staff has decided to do a hour reading on Wednesday with snacks provided by the outreach group. Once the papers are handed in on May 17, the minutes will be tallied up and prizes given out.
8. Constitution we will table for another meeting

Next Meeting will be May 31, 2021 at 9:30 am

Meeting adjourned at 2:19pm