

Park Street Home & School Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, September 7, 2016

Attendees: Jenny Stewart – President
Paisley Sibald – Vice President
Melissa Durling – Secretary
Susan Harris - Treasurer
Rien Meesters – Principal
Tracy Stewart – Vice Principal
Karla Roy
Erin Kenny
Nicole Johnson
Winnie Hsu
Amber Colter
Brent Buchanan
Sandra Romo
Kim Clowater
Laura Lee McCluskey
Lisa Dick
Roberta Duffy
Krista Sansom
Melissa Henderson

Meeting was called to order at 7:05pm by Jenny Stewart.

Welcome:

Jenny welcomed everyone to the meeting and gave a brief explanation of what the Home & School committee responsibilities are. The meetings take place on the first Wednesday of the month. There is a need to have a large pool of volunteers to help make all of the Home & School activities a success.

Principal's Report:

Rien Meesters introduced himself to the group. Rien is the new Principal at Park Street School. There is a lot going on at Park Street School and he is looking forward to working with everyone this year. Originally from Ontario, he now owns a horse farm on the Royal Road. There has been a change made to the front entrance. Doors will remain locked throughout the day and will only be open during the morning drop off. Rien likes to spend time on the playground with the kids and you will see him most mornings in front of the school greeting the parents and children as they arrive. If you would like to contact him you can do so through email at rien.meesters@nbnd.nb.ca

Updates:

Playground Fund & Painting – the metal play structure was becoming an eye sore. It was deemed safe and decided that painting the structure would be a temporary fix. A new play structure will cost approximately \$30-40k so the Home & School committee has decided to start a Play Structure Fund. Between \$2,500 and \$5,000 will be set aside each year until there is enough money to cover the cost of a new structure.

Fall Fundraiser – this is the biggest campaign of the year with 42% of the money raised coming back to the school. It raised over \$13,000 last year. The catalogues will be going home on Friday. The top classes in the K-2 and 3-5 classes win prizes.

Important Dates:

Jenny provided everyone with a sheet of the Important dates for the upcoming year.

- Fall Fundraiser - Sept 12-30th. Delivery will be around the end of October.
- Popcorn Popping Dates – Sept 13 & 27, Oct 11 & 25, Nov 8 & 22, Dec 6 & 20, Jan 10 & 24, Feb 7 & 21, Mar 14 & 28, Apr 11 & 25, May 9 & 23 and June 6 & 20. Popcorn is popped on Tuesday and delivered to students on the following Wednesday. Popcorn cards have been sent home. If the card is not fully redeemed by the end of the year students in Grade 5 will have any left over money returned to them.
- Pumpkin Walk - Oct 27, 6-8pm - decorate for the pumpkin walk, Oct 28, 8am – set up pumpkins, Oct 28, 12:30pm – tear down pumpkin walk.
- Christmas Basket Campaign - Nov 1 – Dec 19. Erin Kenny and Janice Lifford will be leading this campaign. The baskets will be ready for the Parent/Teacher meetings and will end after the Christmas Concerts. This campaign raised over \$5,000 last year.
- TSAW week – Feb 13- 17. Potluck Luncheon will be held on Feb 15 at 12pm.
- Family Fun Night – April 21. Set up – 3pm. Event – 5-8pm.
- Leadership Day – June 9, 9-12pm. Followed by the Family picnic
- Grade 5 Celebration – June 16, 6-11pm. Planning begins Jan 16.
- Home & School Meetings – Sept 7, Oct 5, Nov 2, Dec 7, Jan 11, Feb 1, Mar 1, Apr 5, May 3, Jun 7

Booster Juice – this was provided last year as a test. Forms will be going home this week. Options include the juice and/or wrap. These will be delivered Tuesday at snack time.

Christmas Musical – last year both the K-2 and 3-5 classes had their musical on the same day. K-2 in the morning and 3-5 in the afternoon. It was suggested that this year we go back to having each group have 2 performances on the same day (morning and afternoon).

Treasurers Report:

We have \$1,025.72 in the bank.

Susan provided a copy of the Treasurer's Financial Reporting Sheet.

Closing/New Business:

Park Street Clothing – these are provided by Instant Imprints. Sample sizes will be in the school October 11-24.

Papa John's – last year this fundraiser happened on Sundays. We would like to see if another day is available. We raised \$990 last year from this fundraiser.

Meeting adjourned at 7:55pm.