Browns Flat Elementary School – PSSC/Home and School Meeting Minutes

November 12, 2013

Rhonda Makepeace called the meeting to order

In attendance

Rhonda Makepeace, Laura Clark, Tiffany Martin, Natasha Bennett, Nancy Clark, Ms. Donovan, Gloria Donald, Becky Taylor

Approval of Minutes

The minutes were read from the October 1st, 2013 meeting and approved.

PSSC:

- Meeting called to order *
- Minutes from October meetings were reviewed and passed
- * WITS update (kits) - we are still waiting on this Ms. Information is still to arrive (Ms. Donovan expecting info). Original eta was November 2013. Once program is here Ms. Donovan will begin to implement with the help of the guidance councilor.
- RCMP Public Safety night was held _____, 2013 $\dot{\mathbf{x}}$
- $\dot{\mathbf{v}}$ Fall Fun Fair was updated. Names of the people/business's that supported our event were asked to be handed into the school (Ms. Donovan) in order to send out some Thank you notes from the children in the school in a signed card along with a picture of the children.
- Pro Kindness Week Nov 18 22nd Pay it forward / Pro Kindness week.
- The ceremony for Remembrance Day was held in memory of Mr. Warren Comeau. The school and the community honored him. In memory of this the school will be planting a tree (Arbor Day)
- Assessment Results were discussed and the NB Goal is 90% at appropriate. •••
- Cards from the Red Cross to hand out to various agencies within the community.

HOME AND SCHOOL

- Discussion was held re. the School photos which were taken by Lifetouch Pictures. A few comments we received from some of the parents were that they were pricey compared to previous years and the online ordering was not clear. Discounts were available but not made clear thru the online ordering vs. sending the order in thru the school. Found that the form was very unclear and decision was made to have them not come back for the next school year, as there is no contract in place. Suggestion that Martin Flewwelling does RVMS with better photos, pricing and proofs. This may be an option to think about.
- Home and School would like to have the RCMP back in (Spring 2014) to discuss bike safety. This will be to familiarize the children. A Bike Rodeo could be held on Field Day, Court Safety course with some prizes from the Recreation.
- Trunk or Treat was held on Halloween night and seemed to be a huge success. The Grade 3, 4 and 5's, took any food that was dropped off for the food bank to the Recreation Bldg. the following week.

Some great feedback was given for next year as well. Some suggestions are: have fire department volunteers help park vehicles - maybe a sign up sheet with assigned parking area.

Have it more advertised to the community. Some ppl that were there to share in the fun did not have children attending the school.

Decorating the vehicles was suggested.

It seemed really congested in dim lit area - having it better observed and organized. Have a specific time to start and have children all started at one end to receive treats from the trunks. This will allow less confusion and everyone able to see all the children. A parade of trick or Treaters.

Have a specific start time with an end time. Some ppl were showing up later then expected and some families had already left.



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- Home and School Officers This is a volunteer award granted to an individual within the association that goes above and beyond. Names due Dec 31st, 2013.
- Christmas activities to remain the same for the most part this year.

Volunteer Dinner-staff/volunteer. This meal is cooked onsite (Turkey dinner that the children help prepare) and grandparents suggested to be invited as well. Typically the grandparents are invited on a different day to enjoy the children sing their songs for the concert.

Christmas concert-Time suggested was like previous years - held in the evening. If not, a more convenient time during the day was suggested. Ms. Donovan to speak to the Music teacher on this suggestion.

Shopping spree – Donations given by families of children attending the school (dollar store items) followed by hot chocolate and cookies. Donations for wrapping paper, tags, tage, etc. to be collected and presents wrapped for students by volunteers along with the decorating of the gymnasium.

Playground group – 2 grants by Recreation – Reg. Dev. Corp, AKOA. Fundraising for 2014 – grants to be re-applied to in the Spring of 2014. Suggestion made to request grant/donation from Lions Club.

To date the playground fund holds approximately \$16,000

New Business:

Announcements:

January 14th, 2014 (with December newsletter) 6:30 - 8:00 pm

Browns Flat Elementary School, 32 Wallace Road, Browns Flat, NB

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Γ
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	Alphaghetti 75¢	Grilled Cheese \$1.25	Chicken snackers/wraps \$2.25	Chicken Burgers \$1.75	Pizza \$1.00	
		Basketball jamboree @ Morna Heights 3:30-5pm	Browns flat flames 5:40pm			
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	Alphaghetti 75¢	Grilled Cheese \$1.25	Chicken snackers/wraps \$2.25	Chicken Burgers \$1.75	Pizza \$1.00 Student Shopping	
		Basketball jamboree stormdate	Browns Flat Flames 6:52pm		Spree in Gymnasium	
15	16	17	18	19	20Last Day before	
	Alphaghetti 75¢	Grilled Cheese \$1.25	Student Turkey Dinner and	Chicken Burgers \$1.75	Christmas Break Wishing you A Very Merry Christmas!	
		Christmas	Carol Sing			
		Concert at 7 pm	Browns Flat Flames 5:40&6:25pm			
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