

**North Star Community School  
Parent Council Meeting  
Tuesday, December 12, 2017**

Called to order at 7:00 p.m.

**Present:**

Jody Labossiere, Mellisa Gallagher, Paige Gascoigne

**Regrets:**

Laurie Mosley, Lana Puumala, Sherri Dragan, Daniella Ojala, Carly Skrenski, Julie Slack, Lisa Campbell, Stacey Wood, Megan Zacharias, Erica Lantin, Lorraine Stromberg

**Approval of Agenda**

Paige Gascoigne moves, Mellisa Gallagher seconded, carried.

**Approval of Minutes from Oct. 23 meeting**

Mellisa Gallagher moves, Paige seconded, carried

**Principal's Report**

We have a very busy couple of weeks ahead leading up to Christmas with lots of activities: Choir practice, Christmas Concert practices, Buddy reading celebrations, Spirit Days, Christmas Sing-a-long at 9:00 a.m. each day next week, Glee Club performance, Concert Dress Rehearsal, Christmas Feast, Concert. There will be lots of individual class activities as well. Check the classroom calendars for details.

**TBayTel for Good Schools Grant**

We were not successful in attaining a grant this round. Our timing seems to be bad. Successful applicants last year were related to gardening and we had an Arts proposal. This year, a lot of the successful grants seemed to have an Arts focus, and ours had a gardening focus. We will continue to try.

**PRO Grant update –**

***Family Arts & Math Night -- Schedule sometime after Family Day in February***

There are some significant restrictions that we need to pay attention to in our planning this year. Specifically, what we spend the resource funding on. We can not use it for a raffle table or for items specifically for children. The focus needs to be on items that support the night's activities and workshops and take-home items that relate directly to the workshops.

We will easily be able to do this once we get our activities planned. We spend time brainstorming community partners to invite and activities that we would have available just through the school council.

We will be asking school council members to touch base with a community partner to invite them to set up a display or provide a short activity for families to take part in.

<b>Community Partner</b>	<b>Contact Person Phone #</b>	<b>Activity</b>	<b>School Council Contact Person</b>
ANFC	Akwego – Laura Trumbla CAPC – MJ Wolfe		Jody
Metis Nation of Ontario	Brian Gouliquer – Senator		Mellisa
Public Library	Tracey Sinclair		Mellisa
Atikokan Museum	Lois Fenton		Mellisa
Yoga	Brenda Hailey	Yoga Poses	Mellisa
Pictograph Gallery	Christine Spilchuk?		
Daycare SunDog	Kristi Langner Tanya Bimm		
KRRDCFS	Lorraine Stromberg		Paige
Family Health Team	Candace Green	Mindfulness	Paige
Health Unit	Tammy Faykes		Mellisa
Local Musicians	Doug Ribey Debra Morphet Jeff Lehman Jinx Stus	Playing instruments Singing	
Local Artists	Thelma Cameron Kristy Cameron		
<b>School Council Offerings?</b>		<b>Where</b>	
Finger Painting			
Easel Painting			
Light tables			
Graffiti Mural		Hallway outside of office	
Beading			

Dot Painting			
Braiding			
Puppet Station			
Play Doh Station Kinetic Sand Station			
Modelling Clay			
Kinetic Sand Station			
Rock Painting			
Lego			
Kinects			
Solo Cup Station			
Giant Jenga			
Giant Connect 4			
Rock Painting			
Card making			
Boomwhackers			
Drums and Percussion			
Xylophones			
Step-On Pianos			
Bells and Tambourines			
Ukeleles			
Campfire Songs			

**Kids' Christmas Shopping Event** went very well. Students were all able to shop whether they had money or not. All children purchased at least 3 items; some as many as 10 items. There were volunteers here to help classes wrap and tag items. We ran out of supplies and will have to keep that in mind for next year.

**Adjournment** - 7: 55 p.m.

**Next Meeting** - Thursday, January 11, 2018