

**North Star Community School
Parent Council Meeting
April 6, 2017**

Called to order at 7:07pm

Present: Laurie Mosley, Sherri Dragan, Carly Skrenski, Julie Slack, Megan Zacharias, Erica Lantin, Mellisa Gallagher, Amy Sodtke, Jody Labossiere and Lana Puumala

Regrets: Anita Lyons, Bella Ojala

Addition to Agenda - K to 12 School Proposal

Approval of Agenda - Laurie moves, Amy seconds, carried.

Approval of minutes from January 31 meeting - Laurie moves, Sherri seconds, carried.

Business Arising from last meeting - reading challenge reward is seeing Jody getting dunked in a dunk tank

- The challenge will be held from Monday to Thursday - making the goal 1000 books a day and if they make 5000 books in 4 days, the students will get to go to the pool in two separate blocks (younger ones first, older ones second)

Old Business - Family Wellness Night - there are more people are on the contact list that was circulated and more are confirmed

- next meeting is April 25 at AHS Resource Centre
- perhaps look at trying to have an earlier start time than 7pm - maybe 6:30pm

News and Reports

- nothing from the PIC committee - will have a meeting soon to set up for next year's PRO grant

Principal's Report

- super busy at North Star at this time of year
- talent show was excellent - kids were happy and proud of what they did and there was lots of positive feedback
- Twin Day tomorrow (April 7th)
- Day of Pink - April 12th
- Easter Brunch - on Thursday the 13th - egg toss day
- April 20 - Grandparent and Special Friends luncheon - people coming bring lunch from themselves and the children
- Rocks and Rings - coming from Thunder Bay

- end of April, beginning of May will start the swimming lessons - 4 & 5 class is going to museum and the JK/SK class will be going on field trips as well
- Education Week coming at start of May - there will be a shining stars board, reading challenges, dress like your favourite book character the next week
- Science North is coming back for grades 4-6 with their planetarium on May 1
- Lion's Club is doing eye testing for grade 1 students and if any students are in need of glasses, they will provide them for free
- May 25 is the Family Wellness Night at AHS
- May 18 is the K-12 school public consultation
- June 6 is the play day from 1-3pm. This is where new kindergarten kids come in to play in the school and the parents meet Jody
- June 8 is the SK graduation
- There will be a jiggling presentation on June 12
- June 16 will be the Family Fun day to replace the Hatching Day
 - same as usual but not hatching animals
- May 12 is the tentative clean up day
- might do Canada 150 challenge one day
- Jody wants us to know that it is good to ask as many questions as possible about the K-12 school that is coming

New Business - Board Priorities

- Strategic Planning - reviewed every year so this year they did a Student Voice aspect to it and brought some students from grades 7-12 to Fort in order to see what the students need to be successful. The Board has asked for our feedback on the student voice piece.
- K to 12 School - Board is looking at building the new school on the AHS site since it is older and full of asbestos, this will allow NS to be repurposed for something else and the government might provide the funding for it. The Board has the approval to move ahead on this project but has chosen to have the community involved in the decision. September of 2017 is when the decision will be made and it will go into the government for approval. Once they get that, they will start with the architects and developing the plan for the build. The plans are found on the Board website, so please have a look and write down your questions to be asked. If you want to be involved in the process, please let Mellisa know.

Last meeting: we will have the supper meeting June 5th - tentatively

- Jody will book the location

Adjourned at 8:18pm