

**Copeland Public School**

**Minutes of School Council Meeting**

**Wednesday December 10, 2014**

**In Attendance:**

Hina Syed  
Tracy De Jong  
Paula Hylton  
Lise Ouellette  
Lovey Dhaliwal  
Harpreet Hassanwalia

Tina Sodhi  
Bhoj Sukhdeo  
Shaminder Dhillon  
Narda Khan  
Manvinder Pabla

Firdausi Sayeed  
Krishna Devendrau  
Jennifer Cuthbertson  
Cathy Ann Shim  
Leanne Rathbone

ITEM	DISCUSSION	ACTION
Item #1	<p><b><u>Welcome/Approval of Agenda/Minutes</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Agenda approved by Tina Sodhi and Shaminder Dhillon</li><li>• Minutes approved by Tina Sodhi and Cathy Ann Shim</li></ul>	
Item #2	<p><b><u>Principal 's Report</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Welcomed everyone to the meeting</li><li>• Mrs. Rathbone started off with sharing a You-Tube video <a href="http://youtu.be/cZGghmwUcbQ">http://youtu.be/cZGghmwUcbQ</a> Heartwarming Thai Commercial about caring &amp; giving back to the community to make a difference in someone's life.</li><li>• Discussed the Change for Change, Toys for Tots, and Food Drive and the school's ability to give to many families as result of the Change for Change activities.</li><li>• Discussed about how there is awareness of the holidays and sensitivity about everyone's choice to be included or not in the activities.</li><li>• P.A.W.S. assembly is January 26, 2015</li><li>• P.D. Day is in January 19<sup>th</sup> for Report Card writing</li><li>• Bilingual drummer will be coming Mid-January in preparation of the celebration of Black History month. (February is Black History month, but the drummer is booked solid, so we are inviting him to come early)</li><li>• New Trustee is Kathy MacDonald</li><li>• Winter Holiday Concert is scheduled for tomorrow evening, December 11, 2014. Dress rehearsal to be held at 11:30am as well.</li><li>• Technology slides will be included of music, dance, art, activities and drama highlight many different cultural celebrations this time of the year.</li><li>• Grade 1 had their Skate Days and Grades 2 &amp; 3 Skating days – on Friday December 12, 2014 and Friday December 19 respectively.</li><li>• Kindergartens also took part in the Brampton Parks and Recreational games morning here in December.</li><li>• Skiing trips for Grade 4 &amp;5 wanting to participate will also happen in January</li><li>• Mrs. Cuthbertson was given FREE skates donated to the school</li></ul>	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mrs. Rathbone also discussed she will be evaluated as a Principal. This involves 2 superintendents coming to the school to discuss school activities, School Success goals, interviewing staff and all representatives of all employee groups. School Council C-Chairs will also take part to share a parents perspective.</li> <li>• Kindergarten Open House &amp; Registration in Feb for the one entire week, also on the same night as one of our movie nights (Feb 5<sup>th</sup>, 2015) as well as Report cards will also be sent home that day. But Mrs. Rathbone encourages everything to continue as planned.</li> <li>• Some experienced Teachers may be welcoming student teachers in second term and mentoring them.</li> <li>• Events: Next week a lockdown will be put into place and practice of safety in case of an emergency.</li> <li>• January and February Ski trips have been scheduled and 2 buses has been arranged to take the students. There will be alternative activities for those kids that are not participating on the trip.</li> <li>• Kudos to Cheryl Neves for helping the children to get their skates fitted and helmets.</li> <li>• OFIP Tutoring is being offered to the children in Grade 4 and 5, starts in January after school from 3:45 till 4:45 for 10 weeks until March.</li> </ul>	
Item #3	<p><b><u>Chair's Report</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Health Survey for Ontario Sex Ed Curriculum 2015: Following the survey F. Sayeed offered the following feedback: Only one parent was asked to do this on behalf of the community, so one person per school is doing the survey which doesn't seem very effective or fair to the rest of the school population. Questions were vague and there was not enough space for the feedback. She noted there's a petition going around to stop it. Not many are informed of that this was happening.</li> <li>• Petition can be found "Say No to Ontario Sex Ed Curriculum 2015: Empower via Coalition"</li> </ul>	
Item #4	<p><b><u>Wish List: \$10,356.00</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Raz Reading Kids (Gr 1-3) Reading Program \$1,378.00</li> <li>• Mathletics (Grade 4-5) Math program \$1,350.00</li> <li>• Prologue \$1,200.00 in April</li> <li>• French/English Dictionaries 12 each x 24 \$288.00 in February</li> <li>• Music \$140.00 in February</li> <li>• Library \$1,500.00 January and February</li> <li>• Yoga Mats \$500.00 January</li> <li>• Groove Dance \$1,500.00 in Feb 25, 26 on Pink Day</li> <li>• Grad \$2,000.00 June</li> <li>• Charity (Humane Society) \$500.00</li> <li>• Check the list of wish list for more details on the approval pending</li> </ul>	

Item #5	<p><b><u>Fundraising</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fundraising for Lunch: January, February, March orders for Pizza and Sub forms, make it clear that cash only, no credit card, debit, or change given, must be exact change, and not shared money between siblings, no cheques, no U.S. dollars, must be in Canadian dollars only.</li> <li>• \$1,800 has been raised for La Montagne</li> <li>• Wednesday Feb 4, Thursday Feb 5<sup>th</sup> are Movie nights and next meeting the movie will be decided, as an email will be going out for us to decide out of the 3 choices.</li> </ul>	
Item #6	<p><b><u>New Business</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No new business discussed</li> </ul>	
Item #7	<p><b><u>Public Questions</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Not at this time</li> </ul>	
	<p>The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 pm. Next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday January 14, 2015.</p>	