

Holland Road School PTA Minutes - October 16th, 2016

In attendance: Jamie Angus, Eleanor Seaman-Bolton, Kelly Jones, Christina Byrne Marchand, Vicky Gomez, Jen Comeau, Denise Laplante, Joanne Clarke, Kyla McInnis, Roberta Jones, Pat S, Vicki Weisner, Margaret Parusel
Regrets: Richard Rudderham

1. Introductions
2. Ms Jones Update
 - Guidance Counsellor – 2 days per week, shared between 2 schools
 - Water – all clear (tests showed nothing wrong)
 - Buses – kids are behaving well; not many complaints from the drivers
 - Curriculum Night – went well. Ice Cream social was held outside for a change, suggestion for more lights next time as it was a little dark; left-over ice cream to be sold at the Halloween Howl.
 - Drills – school board mandates certain number per year and drills are logged online.
 - School Photos – are all back
 - Running Club – there was one track meet
 - Terry Fox Run/Walk went well
 - Grade 3/4/6 Assessments are done; Grade 2 will be completed between now and November.
 - \$5,000 cheque received from PTA and 15 Chrome Books were ordered.
 - Nourish Your Roots selected for Christmas, orders will be taken between 14-25 November and delivered between Dec 5-20. Cost is \$30 each, \$9 goes to the school, \$18 to the farm; \$3 to NYR (=10% sustainable costs). School portion must be used to support food-related activities; PTA to research options eg a garden.
Also planning to plant bulbs for Spring, PTA to source and pay for.
 - No changes to staffing/class sizes
 - Wellington Pizza – considering a second option (day) in addition to Pizza Friday). Mrs Jones will send home a note regarding options (chili/mac & cheese/Meatballs & rice/pulled pork on a bun) and prices (\$4)
3. Finance – Richard absent so no report.
4. Skating – dates to be confirmed for January & A N Other (Christina)
5. Halloween Howl – Volunteers needed
6. Newsletter Minutes – to be posted on the website after being approved at the next meeting.
7. AOB
 - Santa Breakfast
 - A 4-person committee is needed – Vicky _, Hannah _ & Vicki G agreed to be on the committee)
 - Supplies; Donations; Volunteers; Bake sale/face painter
8. Next Meeting: Nov 17th @ 6.30pm