



SALISBURY MORSE PLACE SCHOOL
HOME OF THE VIPERS

CSA Meeting November 19, 2024
Online on TEAMS
6:30pm

Attendees: Principal: Tanis Ziprick
Vice Principals: Chris Dasch, Chris Coppinger
CSA Chair: Amanda Yakel
Secretary: Teresa Sousa
Fundraising Committee: Crystal Samuel
Parents / Community Members: Jordan Skowronek, Ehab Samuel, Erin Harris,
Niki Gagnon, Sundeep, Neche, Oluwatomisin Fajimi

1) Welcome, Call to Order, Time: 6:32pm

2) Old Business

- Treasurer position still needs to be filled
- Ehab Samuel has been voted in as Treasurer

3) Principal's Report - Tanis Ziprick

1. Remembrance Day Assembly – we had a beautiful school wide assembly on TEAMS for all students and staff on Friday, Nov 8, 2024. Our EY students and our MY students participated in powerful presentations, that included music, the spoken word, art and special video clips. Many thanks to our music teacher, Mrs. Neufeld, along with many of our adults, who worked many hours to put this together.

2. Student Led Conferences are coming up this week on Thursday, Nov 21 (after school/evening in person) and Friday, Nov 22 a.m. Conferences are booked online through Conference Manager. Parents must register to create an account for their child(ren), and then book a time for a conference. Please contact your child's teacher through email if you are hoping for an alternate time to meet.

3. Report Cards were available as of Monday (yesterday). Please review your child(ren)'s report in its entirety before our student led conferences, so you are aware of the details in the report card. These were sent by way of email, as we are still working on establishing the Parent Portal through our new student information system (Power School).

4. Thank you to our families who are planning to support our Book Fair, which runs during Student Led Conferences. Purchases go towards accumulating points that can be used for books for our school libraries.

5. Staff Professional Development - Our Nov 22 afternoon will focus on a school wide book study our staff have been reading about fostering resilience amongst students, and teaching from a trauma informed lens. Staff will be engaged in conversations around those documents, as well as having planning time for term 2.

4) Lunch Program Report - Melissa Brant (Presented by Dasch)

We have 295 students officially registered for lunch supervision. Approximately another 150 students stay at least part time, and a second set of registration packages was sent home this month reminding parents and guardians that they need to send them back if their children stay for the lunch hour.

A third round of arrears notes have been sent to all students owing \$5 or more in their accounts. Fees are being handed in to the office and some families are emailing to make arrangements when they are able to make the payment. Some families have also made payment for December fees, which continues to keep us in the positive for paying lunch supervisor staff.

We are now at 7 full time supervisors and 6 part-time supervisors (a 7th part-time supervisor will start next week.)

Having more supervisors has allowed me to more often to be circulating both outside and in the hallways supporting both supervisors and students during the lunch hour.

Behaviour wise we are having fewer issues needing additional support, but we are always grateful for admin and resource support when it is needed. The new routines for soccer outside have helped decrease the conflicts there, and we continue to support students in learning to solve conflicts together and stepping in to help when necessary.

Next week we will be having a trainer to come teach a course for CPR and first aid for those of us needing certification or recertification.

Lastly, in the new year we will send home forms for any families who would like a receipt for income tax purposes for lunch fees paid during the 2024 calendar year.

5) Treasurer's Report

Previous Balance (Oct 15, 2024)		\$1,151.25
	Withdrawals	Deposits
Childcare for Oct CSA Meeting	-\$42.00	
Peak of the Market *		\$2,180.00
- portion to Playground Renewal	-\$1,000.00	
- portion for Harold Hatcher	-\$755.00	
* remaining CSA portion = \$425		
Balance at Nov 18, 2024		\$1,534.25

6) Fundraising Report - Crystal Samuel

Mabel's Labels

- On going, online; advert sent out in weekly school newsletter

Kernels Popcorn

- Cash only, Nov 28 is the end of orders
 - orders get placed on Dec 2, orders come on the 11th
- Pick up option along with sending home with students, after school only
- Need to source some bag options in order to package the small popcorn bags together

Winter Concert VIP Parking & Seating

- Was very successful last year, CSA will have a table at the parent teacher conference adverting for Kernels, and Winter Concert VIP
- Draw date of Dec 13?
- Paper note went home last year for additional donations
- No draw for the afternoon concert, evening concert only
- Maximum 6 person seating for winners

Open discussion:

- question regarding doing Krispy Kreme fundraiser; very popular however they don't advertise as being nut free. Due to the divisional policy against bringing nuts and nut containing products into the school, we cannot do Krispy Kreme.

7) Greenspace Report - Erin Harris & Nikki Gagnon

Movie Night Fundraiser

- 53 pizzas pre ordered, the most we've had; snacks were also sold
- fundraiser was "a wash", only made ~ \$73, extra pizza was ordered for the Grade 8 leadership, lots of candy and treats leftover.
- way too much popcorn was ordered
- next movie night is scheduled for February

Alumi Fundrasier

- about 150 people who were at the event; mostly staff that came back
- 34 regular raffle prizes, 3 golden ticket prizes
- \$6,864.32 was made

Grants

- A guesstimate of over \$30,000 currently in fund for playground project
- SMP has been able to claim a number of small grants, \$1000 each
- Western Financial has a competition happening right now, on social media. Email will be sent out to families to get them on social media to nominate SMP for a new playground. We hope that numerous nominations and mentions will help boost attention to our cause
- When we accumulate enough "base money" we need to start writing grants, as that is where the bulk of the money comes from. Grant writing takes a certain skill and any one who is interested in writing grants should contact Tanis by email
- Discussion that we could look at what we can do with the current \$30,000 as a "Step One", because if we wait for the lump sum we could be waiting 8 years
- Grants we did not receive this year: Canada Post, Jumpstart, Winnipeg Foundation (though they did offer to sit with Erin and go over the grant with her); we have not heard back from Red River Coop
- Biggest issue we have is finding the grants / knowing who is offering them; just learned that CN and Access Credit Union have grants

8) New Business

- Update on the library by Erin Harris: we lost the Early Years library as it was converted into 2 classrooms.
 - Its been wonderful seeing the different ages of students sharing the space and interacting in small moments. There is currently the Book Fair going on till Friday with proceeds going towards the library. Some books in the library are being weeded out (old, no longer popular/borrowed)

9) Meeting Adjourned, 7:22pm

**Next CSA Meeting:
January 21, 2025 - Virtual Meeting on TEAMS**

Please email Tanis Ziprick if you would like to be sent an invite / link to join:

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