

## **St. Basil Parent Council**

### **Wednesday January 29th 2020**

- 1. Call to Order**
- 2. Opening Prayer**
- 3. Guest Speaker-Active Travel and Winter Walk**

-Wednesday February 5th is winter walk to school day; sole purpose is to promote healthy and active living  
-providing hot chocolate at two places en route on the morning of (Mercer Ave and Powell Rd, Gillespie Dr and Warner Rd)  
-three schools participating in the pilot - St. Basil, Walter Gretzky and St. Gabriel  
-Lisa has posters to advertise but looking to get help from parents to promote this  
-they have a few free giveaways, 3 prize packs for the most walkers in a class

- 4. Additions to the agenda** - none at this time

- 5. Principal's report**

-Paul Davis is coming Feb 24 for seminar on Internet Safety – St. Gabriel and St. Basil partnering in it, for grades 5-8  
-email has gone out to all parents asking for RSVP re: refreshments for evening presentation  
-no holds barred kind of speaker  
-530 enrolment, kindergarten registration is highest it's ever been, 96 JK/SK kids  
-Looking to spend more money on technology resources, waiting to see what the board plan is too  
-labour updates - report cards will only have marks on them and no comments, any concerns parents can phone the school for clarification  
-plans and communication for labour disputes have to come from school board not the principal

#### **Treasurers report**

-not much change since last meeting, \$7,000 opening balance, at \$12,800 more hot lunch revenues  
-spending on home reads, Christmas lunch, science equipment, crossing guard gifts  
-more people/donating extra Christmas lunch than last year, good response rate  
-applying for money, can we list all of the needs instead of only one area ex; new active boards, new French books needed  
put forward 2,000 to spend on French resources, everyone all in agreeance  
-Lisa to send an email with estimate

#### **RCPIC report** - Greg not present

## **6. Subcommittee Reports:**

### **Hot lunch:**

- pizza is number one, versus pasta and Subway
- possibility of getting rid of pasta and subs and only doing pizza
- Consensus reached
- three weeks pizza and one week sub starting in March

**Fun fair** - No one available to commit time to it, offer to have the fun fair every other year and it's been decided as a result to cancel it for this year

### **Calendar Lottery:**

- Kate Broddick donating grand prize again for Great Wolf Lodge
- all the letters have been delivered, March 9th they'll be out to parents, last week of February a notice will go home to get an idea of amount needed

### **Shrove Tuesday:**

- Suggestion to have it in the gym but not in reality the better option. Set up and tear down, missing class time, etc
- still having it in the classroom
- Shawn to get supplies

## **7. Teacher Appreciation Lunch** - tabled until a later date

## **8. Christmas Concert Feedback**

- ticketing system to limit people (safety reasons), something else other than baskets to get parents to stay (50/50 or few prizes)
  - audio was hard to hear in the gym
- More discussion to follow

## **9. Parking Lot Signs**

- arrow signs, pick up and drop off so smooth, Lisa to put in a work order for more signs, painting of the lines but likely not until the spring due to weather conditions

## **10. Next meeting: Wednesday March 4th 2020 at 6pm**