### **Tamworth Elementary School**



# Parent Council Meeting AGENDA Date: Jan. 14/2019

5:30 –6:30 Kindergarten Room

- I. Call to Order -
- II. Attendance Melissa C. Kelli P., Shauna B., Sara O. Barb M. Lori F. Shelly G.P., Adrenne W., Leanne M. Paul H., Robin H., Beth F., regrets Blaire K
- III. Approval of Minutes (from last meeting) approved no follow ups
- IV. Approval of Agenda
- V. Principal's Report see attached

#### VI. Officer's Reports

- Beth currently have 523.42
- Reminder that you can not sign own cheques one of three to sign, Beth, Lori, Blaire
- If looking to get a raffle license it is easy to do please give Beth about a month notice incase procedures have changed

#### VII. New Business

#### - Where we are going - School Goals

- 1) Math/Literacy shared school goals Success criteria Learning goals students to be able to discuss what they are learning and how they are getting there. Goals will be posted to school website soon. Continuing to have visible learning in our school
- 2) Discussion around testing and what highschool does and getting them ready for being there then on to university. Discussion around the process of learning not just the end "test" as some students are not good at tests.

#### - Grandparents tea

1) Council was in support of running one. Will look at date in early spring and will tie into some curriculum based events. Chad to send out dates – will look at a council member to take on to organize with school help. Looking at what the Gr. 7/8 did with cooking and serving. There was discussion of having baskets available for a raffle at this event. Each class would have a theme.

#### - Communicate

1) New system is active – different ways to report absence – through the communicate app, or by calling 1-855-257-9349 and following the instructions. School does monitor call outs. If no parent reached school takes over and still tries to get a hold of a parent.

This is done within first 40 mins of school. Talked about how teachers are getting absences in early so that call outs can start. Maybe some gliches – but our priority is about student safety.

#### Cashless Schools

1) Is now active – all permission forms are done on here as well as payments for events. Must sign up with unique code that was provided by the school. Payment is accepted by, Credit Card, Debit – and in certain cases cash to the school. Working on not having students as cash carriers. Should get an email notification when a new product is posted.

#### Afterschool Club

1) Barb M has brought forward the idea of having an after school club for students to do activities. See a need for students to be active in non-competitive sports. Chad has contacted the township to see if there can be a partnership – contact Jake Detlor. Chad to follow up with Jake and if needed present to council. School council in favour of moving forward with this event.

#### Winter Carnival

1) The idea of having a winter carnival at the school as has been done in the past. Chad said he would bring it to the staff at next staff meeting.

## VIII. Announcements Next Meeting Feb. 25<sup>th</sup> @5:30

IX. Adjournment

Principal Report – Jan. 14, 2019

- Lego Robotics thank you to Paul Hicks for organizing and running the team that competed in Kingston will be continuing to work with them
- Swim to survive Gr. 3's
- Kindergarten Social Literacy program run for 3 weeks
- International Volleyball players from RMC out to work with our Gr. 7/8
- Skating has been great Thanks to Mrs. Clement for organizing lots of participation
- Jeremy Fisher vocal artist in for the school
- Jingle bell wall had a wonderful day for it
- Christmas Concert huge success Lion's Club thankful for food donations
- Snowmen building every student had opportunity to build one and take home looked great at the concert.
- Events before Christmas Lockdows at area Highschool take all "threats" seriously and asked for parents to be patient if that situation happens. Please do not try to contact or come to the school. Office will be in lockdown and unable to assist. We do realize these are high stress times and information will be communicated out as soon as we are able to. As mentioned our priority is student safety.