

Champlain Discovery Public School
School Council Meeting Minutes
Nov. 12th, 2013

Present: Michelle Belsher, Shelley Gagne, Laura Demont, Stacey Robinson, Allyson McBride, Melanie McClelland, Steph Petermann, Tawnya Painchaud
Regrets: Fiona Geddes, Tracey Sloan, Debbie Estabrooks, Sheri Gaston, Tina Williams, Lisa Dennison.

Welcome to all returning parents and a big first time Welcome to Tawnya Painchaud!
Always great to see new faces!

1. Presentation from the Healthy Schools Action Plan – Cancelled until January
2. Jerseys. We have a desperate need for Jerseys. These jerseys need to be a school wide set so that students can access them for track and field, badminton, volleyball, etc. Laura has looked at getting quotes from different local businesses but have not received quotes back as of yet. We may need to order online. We were under the impression that Mr. Moore and Mr. Simard were going to order the t-shirts that they have ordered in the past. This has not yet happened and Michelle will check in regarding this. ****Michelle did check in and they are supporting the decision to buy school wide jerseys**** Stephanie mentioned that we may be able to get sponsored by the Dairy Farmers group, but we will need a letter. Michelle and Shelley will give the letter as they already have one done up. We will just need the quotes to go with it. We will look at possibly just getting our name and no logo as we may want to change the logo. **Laura is currently looking for some help with this initiative. If you can help, please let her know.**
3. Christmas concert. Not sure of the date yet ****Michelle has just informed me that it is the 17th**** Michelle had a great idea of making up “Math Game” treat bags to give out to each student and their family at the Christmas Concert. We will get together on Dec. 10th at 6pm to help make the math game bags. There will be separate games for the different age groups (primary/intermediate, etc.) Anyone who is available to come and help on the 10th is more than welcome.
4. Teacher Emails. A fellow parent had a great suggestion about using teacher emails to send along messages, etc. with the teachers. Michelle asked the teachers how they felt about this and the responses were positive. We will promote this new way of communicating in the November newsletter along with some email etiquette and all the teacher’s email addresses. We are also getting a new PA system and an answering machine.

5. Coles. Was very successful. We will place a Thank you to all who helped in the November newsletter and give the final amount raised.
6. Teachers Christmas presents. It was discussed that it might be a great idea to donate a book or make a financial donation to world vision for the teachers for Christmas. **** All teachers are in support of this****
7. The school is currently continuing their fundraising for World Vision. They are not focusing on each item this year like they did last year (One class raised money for a pig, etc.) Instead they will pool the money and fill the barn.
8. Parking Lot issues are going well. A few reminders still to be given but everyone is responding well.
9. Fiona sent along Thank you's to all who helped out with the little Caesars campaign. It ran very smoothly. Magazine campaign is just coming to an end. We will look at starting off the new year with MacMillan's.
10. Basketball follow up. The gentleman who did a presentation in Sept. about the basketball initiatives is currently on hold. He is ready when we are. He did do a clinic for the primary classes and we can look at him coming in late or early spring
11. Family Picture night was cancelled due to lack of participation. Will look at doing it again. Suggested it be done on a night that people are here such as meet the teacher or parent/teacher interviews.
12. Fundraising concerns. We will continue to plan for the scrapbooking event in April. Allyson will look after that. We talked about having clear expectations for grade 8 fundraising and parent council fundraising so the 2 don't work against one another.

13. Next meeting is January 14th at 6pm