



SCHOOL COUNCIL MINUTES

Orono Public School

Orono Public School Council Meeting

Date | time 10/2/2023 6:30 PM

In Attendance

Setina Maclean, Laura Exner, Iva Lavigne, Heather Olynyk, Ashley Bell, Laura Porter, Heather Radford, Natasha Lawrence, Angela Winslow,

Approval of Minutes/ Agenda for Meeting

- 1) Call to Order
- 2) Elections
- 3) Principal Report
- 4) Teacher Report
- 5) Treasurer Report
- 6) Regional Council Update
- 7) Discussion Items
 - a) Orono Fair – Donor Thank you's & AgriEd.
 - b) Hot Lunch
 - c) PRO Grant
 - d) School Skating Trips
 - e) Garden Update
 - f) Fundraising Ideas
 - g) Little Caesars, Krispy Kreme Donuts, Chocolate Bars, pink shirts, kernels popcorn, first aid kits, movie night, shop local, etc.
 - h) School Spirit Wear
 - i) Orono Santa Claus Parade – Nov 25th Buttons with Dawson Brown's winning design (can we sell them at the school \$3/button, funds going to the parade
 - j) Holiday Concert
 - k) Holiday School Lunch
- 8) Adjournment
- 9) Next Meeting Date

Elections

Council Chair – Iva Lavigne

Treasurer – Heather Olynyk

Regional Rep – Ashley Bell

Secretary – Laura Exner

Principals Report

- Open House was a good turnout.
- Soccer has happened, Kids were so great. Lots of compliments.
- Enrollment is stable with approx. 233 Students.
- Fair Next year – lacked volunteers. Might not even participate next year. It's a lot to turn around in the first week of school.

Teacher's Report

Angela Winslow was the Teacher Rep for this meeting – Book Fair made of \$5000 the school will get about \$2300 to put towards new resources for the library. \$1200 in books have already been purchased. More of the popular book series that are missing or tattered from use. Staff are looking for some help with school experiences for the students – hoping for Play Sports (pickle ball, basketball etc. for K-6) cost is \$590 Nov 29 & 30th. Wow Yoga k-6 Feb 7th Cost \$630. Lacrosse 2-6 Cost \$752 June 4th. School trips/experiences – Escape Maze 4-6, Soper Creek k-3/4, Nature Nancy, Jimmy Chapman booked for Spring \$1400. Terry Fox school raised \$860.

Treasurer Report

\$300 for each class for school enrichment

\$180 Maintenance for playground

\$300 Grade 6 Grad

\$2849 in Fun Fair

General Discussion

Orono Fair – Children need to be more contained and directed with a better schedule. There needs to be communication in June. OAS would like to have a better relationship with the school. Maybe some input between the two parties. Laura can act as a go between for the time being. The entry fee was donated by a local business. Those fees are to help cover the cost of things like the Pig Mobile and Dan the music man.

Hot Lunch – is up and running. Using Healthy Hunger again. Thursday is Pizza Day and Tuesdays rotate between Boston Pizza, Bar burrito, and Subway. Tried Booster Juice might do it the first Monday of every Month.

PRO Grant – Paul Davis Last Year. Poor Attendance and will not be doing him again. Will contact NPS and the Pines and see if they have any ideas of what to do or join up again.

School Skating Trips – Arena is slated for a refurb. But Newcastle Arena needs to be completed first. There is an approx. date for Orono Feb 2024.

Garden Update – Indigenous Education make a Heart Garden. Seed paper and watch them grow. Monthly focuses – Setina will update as needed.

Fundraising Ideas – Krispy Kreme, Kernels working out logistics it takes 2-4 weeks (Money could be used for Grade 6 Grad Trip) Little Caesars – Better in the colder months. First Aid kits are pricy and meeting the minimum might be difficult. Shop Local (Laura will take over) Maybe instead of December approach Buttercup Hollow for a Cookie of Month and run it throughout the year. BP receipts fundraising. Family Pizza Nights Dominos and Pizza Pizza.

School Spirit wear – To be determined.

Orono Santa Claus Parade – November 25th Bring in the Buttons to sell at the school \$3 a button funds going to the Orono Santa Claus Parade. Canady Canes already donated. See if Laura can source out some coroplast for the float.

Christmas Concert/Raffle – TBD

Holiday School Lunch – Orono Café? Laura to Inquire.

Next Council Meeting

November 13th 6:30PM

February 12th

May 6th