

LINDEN LANES PARENT COUNCIL MEETING  
March 9, 2015

ATTENDANCE: Heather Dodds, Steph Bessant, Cindy Moncur, Lynda Sumner, Kathy Bridgen, Sherise Nowosad, Karen Freeman, Lori McCab, Deb Mason  
Patricia Matz, Jenn Shields

REGRETS: Tammy Hossack, Mike Kendzierski

1. CALL TO ORDER: 7:05 pm

2. INTRODUCTIONS

3. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES JANUARY 19, 2015

MOTION; (Lynda Sumner, seconded by Karen Freeman) to approve January 19, 2015 minutes

4. REPORT FROM PRINCIPAL, Kathy Bridgen

\*Triple P for October/November from CATC

\*On Feb. 26/15 we were pleased to host motivational speaker Mr. Jamie Clark. Jamie has climbed Mt Everest and written several books on his experiences. The message he shared was relevant for students and staff alike. He talked about following your dream and never losing sight of your goal (or summit)

\*We held a very successful Science Expo. There were 52 projects with 68 students participating. We have 31 projects with 39 students planning to attend the WMSF on March 17.

\*On March 4 we hosted the Munsch Tour. This was greatly enjoyed by all of our students!!

\*A Wellness Day for our Grade 7 and 8 classes is planned for Wednesday March 18. Some the of the topics include; Anxiety, Depression, Self Esteem, Bullying/Internet Safety, and Yoga. The day will conclude with a Zumba session in the gym (led by our very own Ms. Mason)

\*May 27 6:00-7:30 Intro to Kindergarten- Jenn Shields to volunteer to represent student council to new families

5. REPORT FROM TEACHERS REP, Deb Mason

\*Student teachers started today; Grade 3, Grade 4, Grade 5/6, Music, here until the beginning of May

\*Report card season, teachers are busy preparing the report cards

\*Monday March 16, Celebration of Learning

6. FUNDRAISING UPDATE;

\*Family Dance, Heather Dodds; Positive feedback, more in attendance, sold out of

rainbow auction tickets, great profits made.

\*Typically do each event for two years in a row. This was the second year for family dance. Suggestion for Bingo night for next year.

\*Had planned to Mom's Pantry for March, but missed organizing this. Lynda, Cherise, Lorraine and Jenn offered to help organize Mom's Pantry for April. Online orders are much easier to manage, plan to encourage families to order online.

\*Plan to send Vista reports out in report cards, return order forms before Spring Break

#### 7. TREASURY REPORT:

\*Balance as of March 9, 2015 is \$2,298.13. Profits from Family Dance were \$1,168.44.

\*We have written \$5000 cheque to school for field trips and \$500 cheque for laminating.

\*Budget meeting for Brandon School Division was attended by Lorraine and Kathy. They found it to be very interesting.

#### 8. NEW BUSINESS:

\*Heather sent email to councillor Shawn Berry about our concerns with the safety at the crosswalk at Richmond, and speed zones on Linden Blvd and Willowdale Cres.

\*Thank you notes from classrooms passed around

\*Letter received from Food for Thought program, reaching out to schools and community for support. They do not receive any provincial or school division funding. Our school is a snack site with Food for Thought. It provides snacks to the school for kids who have not eaten breakfast or are hungry throughout the day. The Food for Thought program provided the school with a specific fridge to store the food for the kids.

9. GIFT CARD DRAW; Karen Freeman was the winner of the Tim Hortons gift card

10. Meeting adjourned at 8:02 pm by Heather

Next Meeting April 13, 2015 at 7:00 pm in the school library.