

Selkirk Parent Group
Meeting Minutes
November 7, 2019

Attendees: Meghan, Kate, Anastasia, Erin, Karma, Glen, Inesa, Jennifer, Susan, Cara

* Motion made to accept the October 17, 2019 Minutes and seconded.

1. Chair Report

- Teacher Gifts – continuing with new set-up, cards in folders outside the office, Karma will take donations
- Games night- Board Game Cafe will occur December 6th 6-8pm.
- Bi-weekly update has been well received and is contributing to an overall reduction of emails sent to families

2. Vice Chair Reports

- Parent Ed Night - Confirmed Dr. Magali Brulot on January 30th from 6:30-8:30pm. The topic is anxiety in children and adolescents

3. Academic and Admin Report

- Report cards are underway

4. Treasurer's Report

- Some have been allocated to cheese fundraiser stock to sell and spiritwear samples
- Classrooms have been spending special request funds

5. Fundraising Report

Royal BC Museum: The SPG was offered participation in a fundraiser checking coats at a private function December 14th from 5:30pm-12:30am *Volunteers needed*

Cheese Fundraiser: Erin lead - the cheese will be here November 13 at 2pm. Order forms reserving five or more packs have been distributed.

Purdy's: Karma and Dale working on the Purdy's online system. Launched November 12th/ Deadline November 27th (online only)/ Delivered Dec 5th *Require 1 to 3 volunteers to sort*

Spiritwear: Lara lead - Orders are open with a deadline of December 1 and are online only. Margins are set to 10% to keep prices reasonable. Link: <https://store.pas-sionsports.ca/selkirk/>

Art Cards: Priyanka lead – Suggestion made to order the packages now to provide extra time for the teachers – suggested Mother's Day delivery

6. Halloween Bash report: Cara lead - good attendance

Lessons learned and items to consider in the future:

- black out windows in office
- organize clean-up plan
- request more adult volunteers
- considerations for the bake sale position (keep out of the hallways, add benches to demark eating area/ provide tables and chairs for eating area)

- request clean-up jobs sign-up prior to other jobs
 - map/account for where decorations and items come from
 - organize a First Aid attendant
 - Will have a lessons learned meeting with leadership. The Leadership class raised \$300 at a bake sale
- 7.** The SPG will release the Halloween Bash to the Kingfisher Class Leadership with parent participation.
*Motion to remove the Halloween Bash as an SPG supported event for next year's budget.
- 8. Angel Gifts with Our Place Society:** Nazima lead - Kingfisher class will provide two gifts, staff one (total of 14 gifts)
- 9. Socks and Shoes Campaign with the Cool Aid Society:** We will collect brand new toiletries or gently used socks and shoes
- 10. Spaghetti Social report:** Jennifer lead - Sold over 260 tickets and families attended without tickets. Expenses came to \$636 and there were \$300 in donations.
What worked well:
- 2 seatings continued seat more families
 - multiple ways for volunteers to sign up was helpful
 - cooking the pasta off site saved time
- Lessons learned:
- prepare the salad ahead of time
 - need to process garbage better and organize composting
 - clean-up crew not secured
 - improve the coordination of volunteers on the night of the event
 - accept more volunteers at initial sign up for back-up
 - consider not focusing on donations
 - block off the food serving area for safety
 - set up long rows of tables, procure more tables
 - need a co-leader, volunteer coordinator
 - walkie-talkies connecting kitchen to food line
 - speak with and prepare student volunteers before the event and identify a leadership student as a captain
 - Susan volunteered to help with organization and running of the Spaghetti Social next year. Suggestion to ask Penny to lead next year.
- 11.** Informal playdates have been successful
- 12.** Auction - Will use an online bidding system. Craft day was a success.

Next meeting date January 16, 2019 at 6:30pm. Christmas get together date/time/place TBD

Meeting adjourned at 8:05pm