

Nestor Falls School Council Meeting

February 15th, 2023

Present:

NFS School Staff: Donna Kowalski (via Teleconference), Nissa Turner, Diana Krukoski

Parents: Robin Holden, Kiley Shebageget

Community Partners: Holly Chant (NWHU)

Guest: None

Regrets:

None

Call to Order & Introductions:

- Meeting called to order at 3:30pm

Review and Approval of Minutes:

- Change Holly's last name from Kropelin to Chant
- Minutes of January 25, 2023 meeting conditionally approved pending one revision

Declaration of Conflicts of Interest:

- No conflicts

New Business:

PRO Grant

- moving ahead with the parent engagement presentation from Jessykah Wilson on May 4, 2023
- Jessykah's fee is \$750 plus mileage
- event will be held at the NF Community Hall; doors open at 6:30, presentation starts at 7pm
- refreshments will be provided (meat/cheese tray, veggie tray, coffee, water & juice); Diana will make arrangements for refreshments
- Robin will book the hall with the Township; there will be no fee as we are a community group and this is a non-profit event
- Donna will ask Jessykah if she has or can recommend any resources that we could provide to parents at the event
- we will need a screen and projector; Holly can ensure Wifi connectivity
- we will advertise in both Nestor Falls and Sioux Narrows and include Onigaming as well
- Nissa will make the poster; send to Holly to include in the Township newsletter

NF Winter Carnival – NFS 50/50 Raffle

- Diana solicited for volunteers to help sell tickets in the school newsletter; will also send a text out to all parents
- Diana printed tickets & Kiley cut & put books together; will take books to Dalseg's and Helliar's to pre-sell leading up to Carnival weekend
- Donna and Nissa volunteered to take some books to sell
- we will need to run a table Friday night and all day Saturday to sell tickets during the Carnival; preliminary schedule:
 - Friday 5-7pm: Donna
 - Friday 7-9pm: Robin
 - Saturday: Holly & Kiley will cover and any parents who sign up to help can pick their times to sell

NWHU Update (Holly)

- Holly will be doing bullying prevention presentations at NFS on Pink Shirt Day (Feb. 22); she has different content geared towards the younger and older kids
- “You’re the Chef” starts on March 24 and runs for 5 weeks; she will be doing this program with the Senior Room, and is a 1 hour workshop once per week
- Held a virtual eating disorders presentation on Feb. 15
- Diana asked if the NWHU has resources for teaching proper handwashing
 - Holly will get a “Glow Germ” kit for NFS; interactive activities to encourage handwashing
 - she will pull together some other resources/programs on the topic

Teacher Update (Nissa)

- All of the Senior Room students have agreed to be NFS’ Mental Health Champions
- Cassidy from the Experimental Lakes Area came to NFS on Feb. 15 and gave a presentation on their work; all the kids loved it, planning for the Senior Room to visit the ELA in the spring
- The Family Skate day in Whitefish Bay was a great success, everyone enjoyed it
- Report cards will be going out Feb. 21

Principal’s Report (Donna)

- SCS is hosting an archery tournament
- Sioux Narrows School will be hosting a dogsledding day on March 28; our students will attend
- MNO will be coming on Feb. 18 to do a presentation on Metis culture for the Senior Room
- NFS will be paying for hot lunch for all students through the month of March; discussion on School Council paying for hot lunch through April/May if we have funds available (pending potential costs from Jessykah’s presentation & dogsledding)
- RRDSB Finance staff visited NFS and went over finances
- Finance Update:
 - Endowment \$2677.10 (may have to use some of this for dogsledding)

- Mom's Pantry \$123.79
- Fundraising \$1072.85
- **Total** **\$3873.74**

Next Meeting Dates

- May 10, 2023 – 3:15pm

Adjournment

- Meeting adjourned at 4:19pm