



Bridging the gap between home and school

01/14/14

Business Meeting

Attendees: Andrea Armlin, Linnea Clary, Monique Deforge, Erin Dickson, Sara Fell, Christina Price, Jen Ring, Julie Sprague

Meeting Notes:

1. Facebook – “Parents of York Kids” Group

- Issue is that the group is now ‘secret’ and cannot be seen / found unless you are already a member. Per some research if a group is changed to secret and has over 250 members it stays secret. Monique has been unable to change it back to ‘closed’. Monique contacted Facebook to try to resolve.
- **If there is not a resolution Monique will open a new group and communicate.**

2. End 68 Hours of Hunger

- 70 snacks per month being provided in the school for students by the VPG. Continue to purchase snacks once per month – provide fresh fruit if possible.
- **Budget ~\$100 per month for snacks – Monique leading.**

3. Green Team

- Composting started 1/13. Parent in at lunchtime during the week to help kids learn to sort. There was an assembly on Friday 1/9 where composting was presented to the school. Working with the second graders to bring the collections out to the compost site.
- **Team plans to build garden beds in the spring and use the compost in these beds. Green Team is meeting two times per month and is led by Melissa Rovnak.**

4. Treasurers Report

- No new fund requests. Waiting for the snow to be clear on the playground to complete repairs.

5. CRES Support

- **Monique spoke with Sean Murphy at CRES. Currently there is no need for monetary donations. They know the VPG is a resource and Monique will followup to see if support is needed in the future.**

6. Family Fun – Winter Event

- **Discuss at February meeting for movie night in March / April?**

7. Kids Creation

- Linnea discussing dates with the company and Tara Morin. Items will be in by Mothers Day.

8. Fall Fundraiser – 2014

- Close Buy – concern about the cost of items and no wrapping paper available.
- Possible vendors will be reviewed at the February meeting to select the fundraising for fall 2014.
- Additional communications for 2014: Place the pickup information in the order forms as they are delivered to the students. Note that this is an optional fundraiser.

9. VPG Feedback Survey

- Use survey monkey to collect feedback on the VPG; fundraising, childcare, craft fair, teacher appreciation, etc.
- Andrea will look into Survey Monkey. Monique will compile questions.

10. School Budget Process

- Meeting 1/21 for public comments. Encourage everyone to stay informed about and attend meetings.