

Stride Avenue Community Council

General Meeting – November 26, 2024 at 7:15pm on Teams

Attendance:

Executive:

Kotesh M.(Chair), Amy H.(Secretary), Andre I.(Treasurer), Munibah I.(Education)
Joan Z.(Fundraising), Priya A.& Priscilla P. (Special Events Co-Chairs), Colleen O.(MAL)

Class Parent Representatives: Ada Z, Santoshi M, Sandy H, Claudia G.

Parents: Alex, Divya, Jacob S., Kevin, Matt L., Priya R., Sara F

School Staff: Kelly Chow, Derek CockraM, Cheryl Chan, Sandhya Krishna

*Assessment & Reporting Presentation by Mr. Chow from 6:40 -

1. Territorial Acknowledgement by Principal - Kelly Chow
2. Welcome and Introduction of Attendees
3. Approval of this Agenda: **Amy Hsiao** Seconded by **Santoshi M**
4. Approval of Meeting Minutes from Oct., 29th : **Kotesh M** 2nd by **Andre I**
5. **Principal Update by Kelly Chow**
 - Pro D Day Nov. 22—several topics of learning:
 1. Positive Behavior Intervention Support—Mr. Chow presented to staff a framework to help teach students pro social behaviors
 2. Math—Guest Presenter, Mike Wong district Numeracy learning support teacher
 - a. Topic: Increasing math fluency with games
 3. Reading assessments—staff did a refresher on reading assessments with guest presenter Sarah Wheeler
 - Primary Xmas Concert
 1. Wednesday December 11, 1:30 pm and 6:30 pm performances
 2. Intermediate classes will participate in a Spring performance
6. **Coordinators Update by Sandy Krishna**
 - Tzu Chi Foundation—donated \$3000 to Breakfast Program, volunteers help Fridays
 - Wellness Ctte & FHA—submitted grant Nov. 15th for dance program in spring
 - OST: Gr. 7 Girls Group Nov.20 to Dec.18 from 3-4:30 in CR with Youth Leader
 - OST: Gr. 6 Girls Group will be offered during lunch break for 4-6 weeks Jan-Feb.
 - Board Games – suggestions– pls email Sandy by Nov. 29 for Black Friday deals

- Social Needs – what are the biggest challenges facing families-contact Sandy
- World Cuisine Cooking in Gallery (930-1pm) Dec.2:Bangladesh; Dec.10: Ethiopia
- BASES Thrift Store – Need Donations & Volunteers (teens & adults welcome)
- Christmas Bureau Registration for families in need – registration closes Nov.30 th
- Holiday Support - grocery store gift cards for families in need, contact Sandy
- SWIS parent meetings – continue on alternate Thursdays in am- Jan to March
- English Convo Circle: Weds.1-230pm Nov.27, Dec.4 with childcare + 4 wks in Jan.

7. Treasurer Update by Andre I.

- Popcorn and Hot chocolate Sale Profit -October \$530, November \$530
- Purchasing Hot Chocolate Supplies \$245
- Order Cheque Book \$166 (for 200 cheques)

8.Fundraising Update by Joan Z.

- Fundraiser # 1 - Purdy's Chocolates (**Sale End SUNDAY, DECEMBER 1 - ONLINE**), Up to 25% of sales will go towards our school's fundraising goal!
- Fundraiser # 2 - Poinsettias (**Sale Ends FRIDAY, DECEMBER 6**) Order via **cash on-line** (separate email has been sent out).

\$15 each - Red, White or Pink plants available

Pick Up for BOTH fundraisers December 11-13 from 2:30-3:30 in the gallery.

9.Special Events Update by Priscilla P. and Priya A.

- December 18 Ice Skating Event: will be at Rosemary Brown Recreation Centre 9-3pm
- parents & siblings asked to pay for skate rentals since school cover rentals for students
- 90 pairs of skates and about 15 skating cages to support beginners
- Some details below are still in the planning stages with the Ice Rink staff
- 4 or 5 sessions with 3/4 classes per session to ensure enough skates for all (30-45mins)
- There will be a room available for crafts and movie & concourse area upstairs will be set-up with a variety of games for students to play (if not skating or crafting)
- Photo booth will have 2 School provided iPads - photos can be printed later
- Leo Volunteers from Byrne Creek can help with skates/photo booth etc.
- Will check with the rink about bringing in Popcorn and Hot Chocolate for kids
- Quote for cookies and cupcakes from Priya; Priscilla thinking there might be parents who could do the baking with holiday theme shaped cookies + icing kit - TBC
- Mural painting may need to be saved for at school event (minimize clean-up logistics)
- Zumba session can also be saved for at school PE activity (only one room for crafts/movie)

10.Other Business

- More volunteers needed to help with preparing popcorn and hot chocolate
- May need helpers for packaging Purdy's Chocolates and Poinsettias distribution
- Q:What are Curricular Competencies for various subjects? A:Min. of Ed.. website
- Some teachers will send home an insert for ELL progress/Overview of learning

11. Next General Meeting: Tuesday, January 28, 2025 at 7pm on Teams