

## CES Parent Council Meeting Minutes November 14, 2024 at 7:30pm

<b>CALL TO ORDER</b>	AT: 7:34pm      BY: Althea Gregson
<b>IN ATTENDANCE</b>	Althea Gregson, Malissa Pilling, Bailey McMurray, Caitlin Schow, Traci Aipperspach, Stacey Jacobs, Anna Joyce Frank (Board Trustee), Tami Tolley, Jocelyn Wynder, Tara Harding,
<b>Halloween Summary</b>	<p><u>What worked well?</u> Simple decorations in the atrium. Felt it was fine not decorating gym. Cake walk was not too overwhelming for the kids. Lots of treats, enough for each kid.</p> <p><u>Changes for next year?</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Suggestions: Do a teacher category for teachers next year. Cake walk for whole grade at a time as the gym can accommodate. Judge costumes at cakewalk. Continue parent council doing costume judging.</li> </ul> <p><u>Total Expenditures:</u> Around \$200</p>
<b>Meeting notes distribution</b>	<p>Rather than emailing notes out, we will post the meeting notes on the <i>Cardston Elementary School Parents and Friends</i> Facebook page. The notes are also posted on the Cardston Elementary School website on the <i>School Council</i> page.</p> <p>Link: <a href="https://www.ces.westwind.ab.ca/parents/school-council">https://www.ces.westwind.ab.ca/parents/school-council</a></p>
<b>Kids Market</b>	<p>Participation from council: Attend the market and support kids that are selling.</p> <p>The market will be held in the gym with tables labeled with who is where. Parents will come at 9:30am. Parents are responsible to clean up their own tables and put them away (30 mins to do so).</p>
<b>Christmas</b>	<p>\$280 was the approx. amount spent for Christmas gift budget for teacher appreciation last year. We have \$400 for our budget this year.</p> <p>Teacher game/competition day before Christmas break. We will seek donations for gifts.</p> <p><b>Teachers gift ideas:</b> Theatre, carwashes, teeth whitening discount, parent donation by etransfer, Gift cards, pop shop gift cards, donating items (regifting, arts and crafts, beadwork, ribbon skirt, handmade items, baked goods).</p> <p><b>Assignments:</b> <u>Games-</u> Bailey and Caitlin (please video them and post)</p> <p><u>Theatre movie tickets-</u> Tara Harding will ask Alonna</p> <p><u>Social Media posting-</u> Jocelyn Wynder will ask for donations on the Facebook page and make a flyer</p> <p><u>Sorting through and organizing received donations-</u> Rachel Stevens</p>
<b>Grade 5 Leadership Groups</b>	<p>The leadership groups are doing well and having lots of fun.</p> <p>The hospital reached out and asked if the art group would make Christmas cards to distribute to the patients in the hospital. This will be the first art club activity.</p>
<b>Care Backpacks</b>	<p>FCSS funding: \$2600 for the care backpacks for children that have experienced loss this year. Anticipated date for putting them together is early December.</p> <p><b>VOLUNTEERS NEEDED.</b> Suggestions: Parent volunteers, EPIC or church youth groups, community members, Family preservation center</p>
<b>Powerschool</b>	<p>Outcome based education reporting platform. Can be accessed through the school website. These reports can give parents a better indication of how they can support their children at home, based on where they need extra support. App available. Parent feedback is important.</p>
<b>School Administration Needs</b>	<p>One of the school leadership groups is looking into getting an outdoor GAGA Ball Pit. They are planning to make a proposal, likely to come out in the spring.</p>
<b>ADJOURNMENT</b>	8:40pm
<b>NEXT MEETING:</b>	December 12, 2024 at 7:30pm