

THE FRIENDS OF CARSTAIRS SOCIETY
MONTHLY MEETING AGENDA

November 29, 2022 @ 7:30pm

Online: <https://meet.google.com/vch-omtr-xmn>

Group Norms and Reminders:

- Online Meeting Norms:
 - Please remember to mute mic unless it is your turn to speak
 - It's nice to see you! If you're comfortable, we invite you to have your video on!
 - The chat function works well to share comments, ask questions or indicate that you have something to share.
- Committee Norms:
 - Assume good intentions
 - Respectful collaboration

In Attendance:

Called to Order @ 7:32pm

- Introduction activity: name, children(s) and fun tidbit about you!
 - Sheryl Tunnell
 - Lara Pawluk
 - Erin Pelletier
 - Chelsea Cairns
 - Sarah McNeil

Committee Updates:

- Grants and Fundraising:
 - Family Dance Update
 - Need to discuss both locations arena vs. curling rink (pro and con of both)
 - Feedback from previous dances from Lara/John
 - Dance Friday, April 28 : 5:30-8:30pm
 - Deciding between arena and curling rink
 - Advance ticket sales - \$10 per family up to 6 people, e transfer to Friends Society - and last name of family in the comments section
 - \$15 per family at the door. \$2 per person after in the family
 - Hot dogs and hamburgers
 - Brainstorming other ideas, beach theme is one.
 - Silent auction items, made by families, fundraiser for the school.
 - Lara and John
 - Caution: keep it simple

- It takes a lot of volunteers, so be mindful for how much work it is.
- Have only hot dogs, instead of burgers.
- What happens to unaccompanied students?
- Plan to look for volunteers, mainly parents of the students to help out for the dance.
- Arena is larger, the running track is hard to manage. Curling rink - filing through takes a bit of time. Need to have someone with Food Safety permit, and AHS permit to serve food.
- Maybe for the first dance, lean towards keeping it simple. Maybe chips and juice and water, and have a DJ to party with.
- Alberta School Council Engagement Grant
 - Repeat of Anxiety in kids
 - Executive Functioning
 - Emotional control, time management, flexibility,
 - ADHD
 - Bring back info to the January meeting, to make a decision to have a presentation in February or March.
- Parent Teacher Conference Meals
 - \$163.16 to be used towards Spring Conferences
 - Still accepting donations

Reports and Updates:

- Trustee and School Board Report: Melissa Copley
- Treasurer Report
 - Jana not in attendance, but nothing to report / change
- Principal Report: John Goutsis
 - Interviews were well attended. Large percentage booked and in person.
 - Book Fair on Wednesday night was quite busy.
 - Grade 1 concert is Dec. 21 at 6:30pm - afternoon performance at 1:30pm. The afternoon performance will be attended by the students and members of the community/extended family members encouraged then as well.
 - Christmas Caroling Dec. 19,20, 22,23 in the morning, families are welcome
 - Playground
 - Opening this week - some landscaping that needs to be completed in the spring
 - Division came today and took away the fencing.
 - Snow fencing has been put up to go around the mud at the larger playground

- Schedule will be sent out to the grade teams where they will have a set day. John and Lara will do one last inspection to see where the snow fencing is, to make sure that it is student ready.
- Group of grade 9 boys went and raked the gravel that the bobcats couldn't get under.
- School board is coming for a visit on Dec. 7, superintendent and board members come and visit with staff and tour around.
- Lots of kids have been away. Look into Google Classroom and look into emailing your child's teacher to check in.
- The town came by November 29 and we thanked them in the hallway for their work on the playground.
- November fire drill - reminder of procedures and tested the bells on the PD day. Concern was because of the ice and the snow, to keep us safe.
- Halloween and Remembrance Day assemblies were really well attended. Grade 3s did a great job with their performance at Remembrance Day
- \$8100 raised at the Book Fair for the Library. Thank you to all the families, and volunteers.
- Report Cards - January 27, or 26 for the Ks.
- Money is continuing in with the Healthy Food Grants.
- Reminders will be sent out, for parents to stay out of the bus lane, for the whole duration of bus drop off time. That includes before buses are expected to arrive.
- Criminal Record Check reminder - have them in in order to volunteer out of the school. Reach out to the teachers for opportunities to volunteer.
- Swimming is almost complete - extended by a couple of days because of the yellow days, where we had no buses running.
- Inline skating will be in February, for 2 weeks, for Grade 3, 4 and Kindergarten. Sessions will be 45 minutes. They will need their own helmets. Information will come out specifically to those grades in January.
- Dress up theme days in the last week of school.

New Business:

No new business

Round Table:

Resources:

- Chinooks Edge Re-Entry Plan
https://docs.google.com/document/d/1_kGJ5TGNwwq3QHs4Hw7DmiVBKD4puRHAiqznQiiBmW8/edit
- <https://www.albertaschoolcouncils.ca/>

- <https://www.albertaschoolcouncils.ca/public/download/documents/40732>

Next Meeting:

- Tuesday, January 24, 2023 at 7:00pm IN PERSON

Meeting Adjourned:

@ 8: 33pm