



Kings County Academy

Parent-Teacher Association (PTA) Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: Thursday, May 17, 2016

Meeting Time: 6:00pm

Regrets: Cheryl Lake, Sylvia Berrey, Dawn Hare, Jennifer Osmond

Welcome	Kathy opened the meeting and welcomed everyone	
Committee Reports		
<i>PTA President</i>		
<i>Treasurer</i>	<p>Cheryl Lake made purchases for teacher appreciation \$10,921 is the bank total for the end of the month.</p> <p>Movie license: \$506 The school pays half and we pay half. This will be renewed.</p>	
<i>Principal Report</i>	<p>Band Parent concerns were addressed Funding for music and band will be held to the provincial standards. Band is not mandatory for grade 6. Minimum requirements are being met for both phys ed and music. Mrs. Rhodenizer is taking over grade 6 music. Grade 7/8 will be taught by a permanent teacher, teaching band and other components as needed (like ELA).</p> <p>Every year is different for staffing allocation, and targeted funding can change each year.</p> <p>Classroom positions and student service positions are being maintained. We are not losing any staff.</p> <p>A letter was circulated. This went home to students today.</p> <p>Parents expressed concern over the decision. KCA students deserve to have enrichment. They will be holding a meeting on Thursday night to discuss further. 7pm at the Presbyterian Church in New Minas. An invitation to politicians and school board officials to attend has been sent. Everyone is welcome.</p>	



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<i>Town of Kentville: Eric Bolland</i>	Town Clean up not happening this year.	
<i>Town of Kentville: Recreation by Andre Bouchard</i>	<p>Hosted an outdoor play family discussion at the end of April. There was a small but mighty crowd who attended. There were interesting conversations that came from the evening.</p> <p>Recreation is gearing up for the summer programs. They are adding more programs for teens. This is when participation usually peters off.</p> <p>There will be a girl power camp for 11-14year olds and a tennis leadership camp.</p> <p>This information will be available at Kentville.ca.</p> <p>Walk-About to Kentville, Australia: This is about 16,000KM. Andre has set up a challenge to walk from Kentville to Kentville. People will log on to the walk-about site and enter their steps/km and we will have a virtual map to show a person walking to Australia.</p> <p>This will happen from June 1-22.</p> <p>Don't have to be a Kentville resident to participate.</p> <p>There could be class competitions and maps to show which class can walk the furthest.</p> <p>Watch for details coming in the coming weeks.</p> <p>Walk and Wheel Day in end of May or early June. This will be dependent on the weather. May be short notice.</p>	Andre
<i>Fundraising</i>		
<i>Old Business</i>		
<i>Staff Appreciation</i>	<p>Cheryl has prepared gifts for the staff for each day. There is a sign up chart for duties that need to be completed.</p> <p>Filling out certificates. P-5 are not in the foyer so may miss the opportunity to fill them out. Erika will work with Cheryl to come up with a plan.</p> <p>Victoria will oversee a student who will put the items in the mailboxes. She will get the Kodiak students to make daily announcements in general.</p>	Kathy Victoria Danielle



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	Danielle will manage the coffee order and Kathy the cupcakes. Delivery is Friday. Victoria will go and pick up the coffee.	
<i>Spring Fling</i>	<p>We need 3 BBQs Juli will call Total Energy and get another BBQ. Danielle's dad will bring one.</p> <p>Coolers: 6-8 needed. 3 bbq people, 3 cash boxes, 3 runners Erika and Juli are creating a list. Be there before 4:30</p> <p>Erika will send around a list of volunteers and their jobs</p>	Erika Juli
<i>Photography</i>	<p>Jason made a presentation about school pictures: poses and fundraising activities. <i>Composite or class pictures:</i> Class photos <i>Backgrounds:</i> There would be two different proofs for parents to choose from. This will take more time. If it doesn't take any longer than the 2 days, we will go with the two backgrounds.</p>	
<i>Value Village</i>	<p>This is not a money maker and a lot of work for the parents to collect items. After the June 1st collection date, we will not be doing this fundraising event again.</p> <p>It would be better to set up an account at a variety of consignment shops and have the money go towards the school (much like a recycling account).</p> <p>Kathy will respond to the RE store about their fundraising program.</p>	Kathy
<i>New Business</i>		
<i>Band Parent Concerns</i>	See Principal's Report	
<i>End of Year BBQ</i>	<p>There will be an end of year final BBQ at Laura's house on Monday, June 6th. Kathy and Laura will provide hot dogs and hamburgers. Everyone else to bring a salad or a dessert. Laura to send directions and details.</p>	Laura



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<i>Aladdin Musical</i>	Could there be a section at the front of the room for the kids to sit so they can see? Victoria to check. Jennifer Little will put a picture in the Advertiser Laura is happy to do a ticket draw through Valley Family Fun.	Victoria Laura Jennifer Little
<i>Nourish Your Roots</i>	Preference is to do a Thanksgiving harvest box instead of a Christmas one.	Dawn
<i>Band Trip</i>	Planning and fundraising for the trip has been very successful. 106 students will be going.	
<i>Next Meeting</i>	This is the last official meeting of the PTA. We will be having an end of year closing family banquet on June 7th at Laura's house. September 20, 2016	

Respectfully submitted,

Laura Churchill-Duke
FOR
Cheryl Lake
PTA Secretary – 2015/2016