

Friends of Falun School Society Meeting

Immediately following Council Meeting

- 1.) Call the meeting to order at: 6:27pm
- 2.) Agenda Adoption – Leanne Johnson
- 3.) May 2024 Minutes Adoption – Samantha Rule
- 4.) Financial Report – Leanne – No report yet. Leanne just picked up the binder. Current balance in the checking account is \$26,278.37. Casino balance is \$31,383.03
- 5.) Other Reports
 - a. Meals by Mom's - Celeste – Last week was the first week. Celeste is coordinating. MxM went well. Thank you to Spooky Town for the donations.
 - b. Fundraising – Leanne / Taylor
 - i. Spooky Town – This was the first year at Lakedell. Went very well. Estimated totals before expenses is \$1300 from bake sale, 50/50 over \$3000, total approximately \$10,400 across the two days. Hundreds of hamburgers served on the weekend. Haunted house was very popular. There was a long line up for the wagon ride. Suggestion to maybe add a second wagon next year. Could have used more volunteers. Some of the older kids helped volunteer. There was some wind damage to tents and other displays at the end of Saturday evening. ii. Next big Fundraiser will be West of the 5th Poker Rally in February
 - c. Grade 6 Report – Lindsay – Planning what the trip will be for Grade 6. Some ideas were going to Drumheller, the 4H Centre, West Edmonton Mall.
- 6.) Old Business
 - a. Playground Update - Taylor – No update at this time. Need to paint the frame of the swing set now that it's fixed.
 - b. Swimming Lessons – Mike Currie – Mike discussed with teachers at staff meeting in September. Teachers are not ready to give up instructional time for this currently. They looked into timing to bus kids to Manluk after school but the timing conflicts with public swim lessons. There is a limit of 8-10 kids per swim instructor also which makes it challenging for larger classes with over 20 children. Celese is following up with the superintendent and others regarding the inequality amongst the different elementary schools in the area. Lakedell and Pipestone are both doing swim lessons as part of the physical education curriculum. Elementary schools in Wetaskiwin are also doing a learn to skate program.
 - c. Kitchen Update - Stoves/Electrical Issues – Mike had electricians in and they checked the electrical system. No issues were found. Stoves are still not at an accurate temperature to what the temperature is reading on the display. The issue seems to be with the stoves themselves. The circuit boards in the stoves are no good and need to be replaced. Mike will put in another ticket to have the stoves checked.
- 7.) New Business

- a. Wishlist for Money Currently in the Account – Some ideas discussed: Outdoor play toys potentially. Storage shed for outdoor toys and supplies. Idea raised to ask the kids what they want. Inflatable castles for use in gym during rain days when kids can't play outside. Need to get feedback and approval from teachers also before we purchase anything. GaGa Ball Pit. Inflatable screen to put in gym and have a movie day for the kids. Zip line. Idea to rent the Falun hall for the next Christmas Concert because last year it was standing room only with not enough chairs for everyone.
 - i. Suggestion to get 3-4 ideas from each class. Ideas can be shortlisted by the Society and then put out as a vote through the school. Mike will pass this message on to the teachers to discuss with their classes.
 - b. Next Meeting – Monday December 2nd at 7:00 pm
- 8.) Adjournment of Friends of Falun School Society Meeting at : 7:29 pm