

Canadian Parents for French, Terrace Chapter

Welcome Meeting October 13, 2016 – Cafenara, 6:30pm

Minutes

1. Call to order 6:36pm

- Present: Collette, Samantha, Dana, Carolyn, Seth, Lisa, Bruce, and Shelley

2. Treasurer's Report

a. Quarterly Budget Update

- General account balance to date \$970.94
- Gaming account balance to date \$2,645.58
- September bank statement available on October 15

b. Signing authority for 2016/2017

- Dana signed already
- Carolyn, Samantha, and Lisa to sign

3. Welcome back event

- Good #s for swim; disappointed with parent turnout for Eric's talk
- Should we have donation bucket? consideration
- Parent confusion surrounding membership with CPF
- How to "sell" CPF membership? – provincial organization, direct advocacy for French education in the area, membership numbers put area on the map and reflect active relationship with area we live in

4. CPF socio-cultural grant application for 2016/2017

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- Lisa and Samantha filled out application for 2016/2017
- Up to 75% of performer costs and 25% supply costs reimbursed to max of 50% of total event cost
- One application for \$2,200 for CreaSon – expecting \$1,100 reimbursement

5. New Business

a. Report: Meeting with Skeena Principal re: supporting French Immersion programming and enrolment

- Carolyn and Shelley met with Cory and Philip at Skeena
- Carolyn spoke of success of single track program now arrived at Skeena; record numbers appearing at EMV and EJC
- Biggest numbers to date of kids in the FI program
- Skeena has 3 FI teachers (grades 7, 8, & 9) with no split classes
- Robert, grade 9 teacher, given a block to assist struggling grade 7 & 8 FI kids
- Philip speaking to the lack of usage of this block so there is a concern that it will be scratched
- Carolyn will reach out to FI teachers to encourage usage
- Request will be made to FI Advisory Committee to access FI enrolment/exiting numbers for all schools
- Important to lend support to teachers willing to travel with students
- Philip and Cory interested in meeting regularly to discuss FI with CPF

b. Report: Membership Drive

- 6 memberships submitted through us
- Maxine forwarded email from Lisa regarding CPF and what we do in the community to EMV parents

c. Review Annual Event Planning Guide 2016/2017

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- this was skipped due to lack of time; will be moved to next meeting for discussion

i. CreaSon performances in November

- principals of EMV and EJC consulted on dates
- November 8th in the evening only and November 10th were given as options by Art Starts
- November 10th not option for EMV
- Seth will check to see if 8th in evening for community performance and 10th for EJC will work for performers

ii. Maison Hantee at Heritage Park (4-6pm)

- Heritage Park providing candy this year
- CPF has some decorations; Kelsey Wiebe (contact for event) has lots of decorations
- Collette to solicit for assistance from high school students to volunteer
- Set-up on Sunday October 30th 3-5pm (Collette, Lisa, Bruce, Seth, and Dana)
- Zombie lumberjack theme
- Plan to hand out a slip of paper with candy with information regarding French in Terrace (French programming at EJC & EMV, Skeena, and Cal, French classes available to adults, etc.)
- Dana and Collette attending October 31st

iii. Le Louvre

- request of a sub-committee with Lisa heading
- Lisa speaking with Laura and artists
- Should we use this as a fundraiser? consideration
- Imperative that an early date set to avoid conflict with Music Festival
- Will be discussed again at the next meeting

d. Provincial Election

- Sarah Zimmerman has requested CPF forward on any FI issues in the area that could be discussed during debates

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- List of concerns should be given to all candidates regardless of party

6. Next Meeting Date

- Next meeting near end of November; Samantha will email a date shortly

7. Meeting Adjournment at 8:11pm