

Canadian Parents for French - Kitimat Parents for French

Parents and Board Meeting

Thursday, October 26, 2023

Meeting Called to Order at 7:36 pm

Adoption of past meeting minutes completed

**Follow Up items:**

- **Odyssey Programming**
  - French monitor – exchange student shared between the communities.
  - This year is Kildala's year for this
  - Janelle will follow up on this
- **Canadian Parents for French**
  - Membership - \$25 for 3 years
  - CPF BC & Yukon is a volunteer-led organization that seeks to create and promote French language learning opportunities and resources, advocating for access to quality French-language education across B.C. and Yukon.
  - Benefits of membership include:
    - Resources for both our students and parents/families to access including French language learning courses;
    - Le Myosotis: CPF Members get a 15% discount from Le Myosotis, makers of the first entirely Canadian FSL dictionary.
    - Bayard Canada: CPF members get a 10% discount on French magazines published in Quebec from this QC based communications company.
    - Firefly Books: CPF members get a 40% discount on the retail price for books from this company that publishes and distributes hundreds of French language calendars and children's books! Additional charges for shipping and GST. To take advantage of this offer, call 1-800-387-6192.

**New Business:**

- **Annual Performer**
  - Janelle does arrange a performer in January
  - Any performers KPF bring, CPF will reimburse 50% of the cost – social grant has to be submitted prior to by the 20<sup>th</sup> of each month
- **FI Resource Teachers**
  - Our time increased this year to Tuesday, Thursday mornings and all day Wednesdays
  - Focusing on all grades – small groups and in class support
- **New Teachers**
  - Valerie Christensen has joined the staff
    - Does have a degree but does not have her teaching degree
    - Starts October 2<sup>nd</sup>
    - Letter of permission has been signed for teaching for the year

- She has been in the school community previously
  - Welcome Project will apply to our new teacher
- **Concours**
  - Grades 4 – 12
  - Held in February / March
  - Looking to send one younger student and a high school student
- **Can KPF work on awareness for Tutoring?**
  - Flyer for Parent Volunteers to assist in French tutoring

**Events to start the year off:**

- **October Event**
  - Halloween Howl
    - Volunteers needed to assist with some duties at Riverlodge
    - Report to Marcie at Riverlodge on Sunday to assist if able
- **November Event**
  - **Paint Night Fundraiser**
    - Meagan to reach out to Caroline (Lushes with Brushes)
    - November 21, 23, 28 see what is available
    - Follow Up with Jenni regarding grants application status
- **December Event:**
  - **Light Up Kitimat**
    - Contact the Chamber to have a table this year

**Board Items to Address:**

- **Email Access**
  - Need email/password from Jenni
- CPF Contact Reply and follow up for meeting
- Grant Submissions for Events
- **Financials**
  - \$385 deposit from Paint Night Fundraiser
  - Need to follow up with Jenni regarding 3 deposits unknown
    - Roger Singh has been paid to PAC
    - Concurs Grant – payment to Kildala
    - Paint Night Fundraiser Fees for New Teachers
  - Balance \$2401 in the account to date
  - Financials have been validated

**Meeting Notes:** Include Facebook Page Link – <https://www.facebook.com/groups/CPFKitimat/>

**Next Meeting:**

- Include Zoom Link – work with Janelle
- November 23<sup>rd</sup> – 7:30 PM