

Irwin Memorial Public School  
Online School Council Meeting  
Tues April 12, 2022

**In Attendance:**

Ian Patterson, Sarah Roberts-Chair, Becca Birnie-Co-chair, Tamara Wright-Secretary, France Armour, Jeff Laughton, Joanna Merrelli, Dana Sinclair, Patti Blundell, Kim Reuvekamp, Dana Sinclair

**Principal's Report:**

-As the government has loosened its covid restrictions, Ian reports that he feels the covid is still present in the community and it has been affecting absenteeism at Irwin to some extent. Ian reports that the school does track attendance. Ian is leaving mask protocols up to students and teachers since the rules have changed. Overall, he feels that the students are happy and doing well.

- Grade 8 graduation will be Mon June 27th at Port Cunnington lodge. More details will follow. - Year end trips have also started to be planned.

-Three families have moved into the Irwin area. This is always great news for Irwin.

-April 1st was the deadline for families to decide if they wanted their students to continue online learning starting in September.

-Volunteers will be welcome into the school soon. Volunteers will need to make sure that they have their criminal check complete and/or up to date. Volunteers will be welcomed in the school soon , volunteering at hot lunches as well as at basketball games to help with driving and spectators will be welcome at these games as well.

-Ian is working on the permits and other plans needed to start with the outdoor structure that Irwin is planning. He feels that the fall will be when the structure will begin construction.

-The Lions club of Dwight has volunteered to help with fundraising for this project.

-At this point, there are 12 kindergarten students starting in September.

-Ian confirms that there will be track and field at Irwin this year and most likely a regional track and field event as well. Date will be confirmed at a later date.

**Chair's Report:**

-The Dwight Lions Club is going to offer a 50/50 draw for the proceeds to go to the outdoor Irwin structure that is in the works. The tickets will be 5 dollars each and 800 tickets will be available.

-Sarah reports that the outdoor parent engagement night will be Thursday May 26th from 5pm to 7pm. The 50/50 draw will be held at 7pm.

-Huntsville High School is continuing their part in the construction of some of the remaining pieces needed for the geo dome that Irwin will be getting soon by donation.

Sarah did submit Irwin's name into the YIG fundraiser barbecue as per other years. Sarah should hear back soon if it is a go and what the date will be.

**Hot Lunch:**

-Dana is reporting the next hot lunch fundraiser will be Thursday April 21st. Tacos will be on the menu. The profits will go to the Irwin family in the Dorset area that lost their home and pets.

**Next Meeting:**

The next meeting will be Tuesday May 10th.