**2018 SRT Grad Committee Meeting**

**MINUTES**

February 7, 2018

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

1. **Financial Report**

There is no update at this time as money is still being collected. If you would like to determine how much your son/daughter still owes for their grad ticket you can contact Christine Watts at [christine\_watts@sd42.ca](mailto:christine_watts@sd42.ca)

**2. What’s Been Completed to Date**

* The DJ has been booked.
* The Photographer has been booked.
  + It was noted that in past years a CD containing pictures taken from the Dry Grad was given to students with their Dogwood Certificate, however this service is not being provided anymore by the photographer. Instead, all the photos will be downloaded onto a site, an email will be sent out to parents/students with a link. You can then access the photos via the link and download any pictures you wish. The link/photos will be available for 2 months from the date of the grad ceremony (June 20th).
  + The Committee agreed that this was the best route and agreed to the two month timeline.
* The menu will be set later this month once they have an idea as to how many students will be graduating.

**3. Dry Grad Theme**

Discussion ensued relative to the Dry Grad theme. A vote was taken by the students and the results were extremely close. It was also noted that some students did not understand what a “Monte Carlo” theme meant. Due to this there was discussion about holding another vote. Sabrina will be discussing this further with Mr. Dickson in the coming week. Stay tuned.

General discussion regarding the Dry Grad included the following:

* A **DRAFT** itinerary outlining the day/evening events is scheduled to be presented at the next Grad Committee meeting;
* Parents will be able to take pictures of the students outside at Meadow Gardens, including a group photo of all the students;
* The students will head inside where a few speeches will take place and then there will be a mother/son; father/daughter dance. Parents are welcome to stay for both of those events and following conclusion of the dance parents will be asked to leave;
* Christine Watts has started notifying those students who have already paid off their balance for their dry grad ticket OR if they have not even paid their deposit;
* Date forms will be distributed in mid-April and their ticket must be paid in full in order for them to attend; and
* Table selection will take place in May.

**4. Fundraisers**

1. Pub Night – February 17, 2018 – Break-Away Pub
   * There have been 38 tickets sold to date. Discussion ensued relative to what the cut off should be in order to decide whether or not the pub night should be cancelled. Parents in attendance noted that there are others who still need to purchase their tickets and the group felt positive that it would be worthwhile to go ahead with the event.
   * Final numbers need to be into the pub by February 15th
   * There will be a table for silent auction items including (2) tickets to an upcoming Canucks game; Twoonie Toss; 50/50 tickets; and raffle prizes.
   * Tickets can be purchased through the office. $25.00 and includes dinner and a drink.
   * **REMEMBER** - $5.00 from each ticket you sell will go towards your child’s dry grad ticket
   * Discussion ensued relative to the Committee utilizing some of the funds collected to purchase a few items for the raffle table like Google Home and/or a tablet. The group was in agreement with the Committee moving forward with this course of action.
   * A **BIG** thank you to all those that worked very hard to secure donations for the pub night to ensure its success.
2. Ticket Raffle
   * The Committee discussed the option of having a ticket raffle in order to engage the students.
   * There will be an incentive to the students where for every book sold their name would be put into a draw to win $100 cash.
   * Prizes for the raffle have not yet been identified.
   * It was agreed that the Committee utilize some of the prizes already secured for the ticket raffle.
   * Tickets will be $2 each with (10) tickets in each book.
3. Second Krispy Kreme Fundraiser
   * This fundraiser did not take place at the boys basketball tournament.
4. Grocery Bagging
   * The Committee still has not heard back regarding this possible fundraiser for the students.

Students/Parents have until the end of March to fundraiser to pay for your dry grad ticket either via the Haney Bottle Depot receipts or the pub night taking place on Feb. 17th.

**5. Prizes/Donations**

Sabrina Mattson reviewed a list of donations received to date. If you have any prizes you are able to donate please contact the Grad Committee by emailing: [srtgrad2018@gmail.com](mailto:srtgrad2018@gmail.com)

The Committee would appreciate everyone’s help in this area.

**6. Sub-Committees**

Sabrina Mattson noted that emails were sent out prior to Christmas to all those who signed up for a sub-committee requesting for someone to chair that specific sub-committee. Now that we are getting closer to June work needs to start happening on these sub-committees. If you signed up for a sub-committee but did not receive an email please contact Sabrina ([srtgrad2018@gmail.com](mailto:srtgrad2018@gmail.com)). Or if you would like to take part in one of the Sub-Committee’s please let Sabrina know.

The meeting concluded at 8:05 p.m.

**NEXT MEETING**

**April 11, 2018 @ 7:00 P.M.**