Boxwood P.S. Parent School Council Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: December 9, 2014 (meeting #4)

Start Time: 7:16 pm End Time: 8:58 pm

Next Meeting: Tuesday, January 20

	Name	Position	Returning Member	New Member
Attendees	Catherine Arnold	Principal	Х	
	Dane Prince	Vice-Principal		Х
	Bobby Panchu	Co-Chair	Х	
	Taranpreet Sandhu	Member	Х	
	Elsa Chan	Secretary	Х	
	Pranab Mitra	Member	Х	
	Bina Kadakia - Absent	Member	Х	
	Adam Asimi - Absent	Co-Chair	Х	
	Jaspal Deol - Absent	Member	Х	
	Nappinder Dogra - Absent	Member	Х	
	Kulvinder Rai – Absent	Member	Х	
	Niroshi Moonemalle - Absent	Member	Х	
	Anjula Sukumar – Absent	Member	Х	
	Nathan Thinagarippillai – Absent	Member	_	X
	Jeyaruban Jeyalingam - Absent	Member	_	Х
	Ifhat Rahman - Absent	Member		Х

Opening Remarks:

Meeting #3 on November 18th was cancelled

Adoption of Agenda/Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes:

- Discussed the Grade 8 graduation expense; we need to know how much was paid for this expense;
- Ms. Arnold directed Taranpreet to get the copies of the bills from our EOAA, Heather York: this
 information is in the student generated account
- The entire \$1000.00 that was allotted was not spent last year. The school only takes what they
 need and have bills for
- A parent supplied food for the graduation celebration last year which reduced the cost
- Members in attendance agreed to earmark \$900.00 for graduation for this year
- Mr. Prince discussed the cost sharing program and the actual cost to council for the equipment that we received from the program this year
- Some laptops are becoming damaged due to high use; we need to replace them
- The total spent for Cost Sharing was \$13 734.49. School Council paid \$4843.80. The Board picked up the rest of the cost

Treasurer's Report:

- The revenue generated from pizza is declining based on last year's results
- Can we do better with more options like Subway? Students may not be as excited with pizza anymore
- Pizza is getting cold by the time it is delivered
- We will investigate a Subway vendor that we can use
- It was decided to try Wednesday for Subs
- We will get information from a Subway vendor about what choices we can get
- We will monitor the sales of the pizza to determine if we will continue to offer pizza
- The anticipated expense for December is \$684.78
- We have to look into our free pizza order (for the 11th pizza order); they (pizza delivery person) took a cheque last time

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- Pranab will order the plates for the pizza; order approximately 2000; we need the plates by January
- We have roughly \$7000.00 to spend; part of this will be used to get additional equipment (e.g., more laptops and keyboards for the iPads)
- It was suggested that we purchase 10 keyboards for the iPads
- It was requested for deposits to happen at the end of the month

Administration Update:

- We waited to discuss the technology issue until the next meeting when the members from the
 technology sub-committee are present; Mr Prince gave a synopsis of the information of the board
 and his opinion of the technology situation at Boxwood. This will be revisited in more detail at our
 next meeting
- Walking Wednesday are happening (students walking a circuit; to encourage a healthy lifestyle)
- Great success with the volleyball team; basketball has started tryouts
- Grade 8 Band is performing tonight at MDHS
- Food Drive on; paired with the police officers in our district
- Breakfast club is going well
- PC4L Committee is filling backpacks for students in Kashechewan to provide support for them (They were flooded out of their school)
- House league soccer has begun
- Math club is starting next week; students will be working on the Prodigy computer program-we have identified specific grade 6 students who would benefit from support
- School funding request for wireless microphones (\$1745.00) and a Lego kit (\$1200.00); we have one teacher who may take it-We will discuss this at our next meeting
- Our science teacher is currently reviewing our science equipment to do a gap analysis on our equipment
- The school is requesting science equipment to update our lab; we will get a wish list for science lab equipment
- The school is presently has sufficient equipment in our music program
- School has requested 10 keyboards for our iPads

Pizza Lunch:

See above

Cookie Dough Fundraising:

- We did not do as well as last year, but we still feel that the time we offered it
- We still have some orders left to pick up
- Not sure if we continue this next year
- Think of doing the Fundscript (gift cards) next year; suggestion of doing this near the end of the year to test this out
- The QSP check still needs to come out; therefore, we have approximately \$7000.00 to spend

School Calendar:

• We have updated our YRDSB calendar as well