

MEETING DATE Tuesday, March 21, 2017
MEETING # 7 (2016-2017 school year)
MEETING LOCATION school library
NEXT MEETING Tuesday, April 25, 2017

START TIME 7:15 PM
END TIME 8:02 PM
OF INDIVIDUALS PRESENT 4 (incl. principal)
VOTING 3 (quorum = 5)

NAME	ATTENDANCE	POSITION 2016-2017	RETURNING MEMBER	NEW MEMBER
PRINCE, Dane	PRESENT	Principal	n/a	
CHAN, Elsa	PRESENT	Co-Chair	X	
KADAKIA, Bina	PRESENT	Co-Chair	X	
MITRA, Pranab	ABSENT	Treasurer	X	
MAHALINGAM, Sancharieni	PRESENT	Secretary	X	
DOGRA, Nappinder	ABSENT	Member	X	
FAWAD, Sana	ABSENT	Member		X
HO, Rita	ABSENT	Member		X
KOMALAFE, Bola	ABSENT	Member		X
KOMALAFE, Peter	ABSENT	Member		
PATIL, Vishakha	ABSENT	Member		X
SUKUMAR, Anjula	ABSENT	Member	X	
THINAGARIPPILLAI, Nathan	ABSENT	Member	X	

WELCOME: CALL TO ORDER (7:15 PM)

- attendance taken by Secretary
- meeting called to order by Co-Chair Chan

TREASURER'S REPORT

- **report to be sent out by Principal**

MINUTES FROM LAST MEETING

- **to adopt Minutes next meeting (both Jan and Feb)**

PIZZA FUNDRAISING

- pizza term 2 forms are due this Friday
- **Co-Chair Chan to figure out term 3 weekly order** (usually takes us a week or two to settle on a weekly fixed order)
- we've been having good weekly sales (last three weeks: \$80/week in sales on average)
- plates and napkins:
 - napkins purchased (Pizza Pizza has been bringing napkins and Principals purchased extra napkins)
 - no extra plates purchased since Pizza Pizza has been providing enough
 - napkins paid for with cash sales out of weekly pizza

TELUS WISE SESSION

- Principal liked the presentation; Member Patil was also present
- very accommodating (Principal was allowed to group grade 7s with younger group)
 - Principal made a decision to keep Grade 7s with juniors

- Grade 8 presentation had more high school appropriate material (i.e. posting online and the consequences that come with it)
- both student and parent sessions were very good

SCHOOL EQUIPMENT

- **Principal will address at next staff meeting re: redistribution of computers** (older classes bring their own technology - some bring in their own laptop)
- updated science lab inventory and cost list
- science teacher is trying to find cheaper price for tubes being “cost optimized”
- **so we should have this list by next meeting or Principal will email Council**

LEGO ROBOTICS & LEGO MECHANICS

- Lego Robotics: students went to the competition - they did well, but, didn't place
- Seneca College York Region District School Board Challenge (Skills Challenge): earlier in March; Ms. Calverley took them (she has the club at lunch) – Grade 7 and Grade 8 group
- Lego Mechanics: came in 2nd place (all of York Region) – NB: Markham District winners former students from Boxwood

MATH NIGHT

- Math Night on the 30th
- have been meeting every Wednesday
- going to happen in gym
- will have problem solving
- break out into rooms - people will be told what rooms they're going to
- we are going to conduct the math problem just like how we would use a math problem in the classroom
- childcare being offered
- Principal s going to be buying gift bags (\$700 something); if we get toy then we can do raffle

INTERNATIONAL DAY FOR THE ELIMINATION RACIAL DISCRIMINATION

- “cultural day” not happening - decided to go with racial discrimination instead
- speaker all lined up for older students
- younger students will get simplified version from Student Council
- members of Student Council have younger grades they are assigned to (each student assigned classes)
 - so student council has rapport with the students
- overview of what that day is going to look like
 - over the last 3 weeks, Student Council and Principal (Grade 4 students to Grade 8 reps from each grade) and Principal have been working on this
 - spoken word presentation “Afraid of our own Name!” - talks about stereotypes and that they're wrong
 - Why are we Here?
 - all shades are beautiful – this will be emphasized
 - Principal showed School Council slides that will be used in the presentation
 - definition racism, discrimination
 - children's educational video that talks about racism (about 3 minutes)
 - racism skit (not just talking but they're going to show)
 - shadeism video – young south Asian lady in Toronto
 - student narratives: the impact of racism
 - guest speaker: Sean “Subliminal” Mauricette – he's worked at many schools before
 - art mural activity

- each student at Boxwood is going to receive a puzzle piece and will be asked to make a drawing that represents themselves on the puzzle piece (i.e. pic of themselves, symbol, positive statement about humanity, etc.)
- class will be given multicultural crayons to better represent variety of shades
- members of Student Council will visit classes to show an example
- spoken word presentation: Let's Talk About Humanity – positive end about coming together

PRINCIPAL PROFILE REVIEW

- one of our annual tasks is to review our principal profile
- this is where you get to express the qualities that you think would best serve the Boxwood community
- this profile is considered when administrators are placed

REGIONAL PARENT SYMPOSIUM

- Wednesday, March 29 (5-9:30 PM), Sheraton Parkway Hotel, Richmond Hill; up to 3 parents can attend
- due date for registration today; Principal signed us up for two spots over the break to meet the original due date
- please advise Principal if anyone is interested in attending

TRACK AND FIELD DAY (MAY 9)

- requesting funds to get snacks for the students (Grade 4-8)
- Booster Juice wasn't great two years ago (**Secretary to advise of another juice vendor**) perhaps a small snack? granola bars
- Wednesday, May 10 – hand out snacks for all students?

ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS

- Junior Boys and Girls Basketball
- Badminton
- Police VIP sessions (Grades 3, 6, 7, 8)
- March 24 Math Professional Learning for teachers)
- March 27 Mental Health lessons (i.e. coping with stress – belly breathing, etc.)
- March 31 School Character Matters assembly – courage and science & technology
- April 4 Graduation photos
- April 14 & 17 Easter holiday
- **Science Fair Night (TBD)**

SCHOOL COUNCIL FUNDS

- last year, it was agreed that SC would contribute \$12/student (Grade 8 graduation)
- SC will provide \$800 for graduation (Principal plans to put the \$ towards hall to lower cost for student – will be back at the Shangri-La) – **Principal to confirm # of graduating students**
- **need to get a list from booster juice what options and how much they'll charge us**
- NB: next year's enrollment # now @ 404 students
- upcoming cost estimates:
 - booster juice: 1k (**to decide @ next meeting**)
 - science equipment: 1k
 - granola bars: \$200

MEETING ADJOURNED

- meeting adjourned @ 8:02