

Boxwood P.S. Parent School Council Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: March 31, 2015 (meeting #7)

Start Time: 7:20pm

End Time: 8:50pm

Next Meeting: Tuesday, April 28th

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

Opening remarks (Adam)

- Minutes from last meeting – update year and adjust pizza revenue line item
- Previous meeting's minutes from Feb 10 adopted

Bingo & Multi-Cultural Night (Student Council)

- Targeting Thursday, April 23rd 6-8:30pm
- Students will provide food
- 7-8pm cultural performances planned for entertainment
- Plan on including a fund raiser into the evening as well to support Sleeping Children Around the World (selling student handmade yarn bookmarks, magnets etc.)
- Flyer and "RSVP" on back will be distributed to all students to take home soon
- Adam will be bingo MC, and buy bingo cards, dabbers, tickets, drinks, additional prizing (bingo kit to be borrowed from Pranab)
- Adam to create list of what we need and cost it out for Parent Council to decide how much to fund and support this event (estimate no more than \$300)
- Cost: Toonie for 5 bingo playing cards
- Mention the sponsors throughout the night and idea to dedicate a table featuring Sponsor cards, pamphlets, coupons to encourage the community to visit the business etc.

Healthy Schools (Tina Smith)

- Feb 4th Walk to School Day – event published in York Region Healthy Schools e-Newsletter
- 17 respondents to Parent Survey – summary of findings on handout
 - planning for Thursday, May 21 Spring Walk to School day
 - conduct traffic count week before to measure impacts
 - Tina to come back with sign-up sheet for Parent Council to help with traffic count
- Walking Wednesdays – charms are ordered and have arrived
 - walks are weekly and charms distributed monthly
- **PanAM and Parapan Games** – Boxwood has been awarded a Pan Am/Parapan Kids Program Prize Pack

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- Healthy Schools Conference April 11th in Orillia
 - ASK: Tina asking for support to attend event, cost \$150; deadline
 - Council will send email out and vote in support

Treasurer's Report (Bina)

- Current Balance – \$4 422.20 (including planned future expenses i.e. Walking Wed Charms, sports equipment, graduation, subway and pizza)
- With one more planned pizza and sub term, we are trending to end the year with a balance of approximately \$5 500
- Members in attendance approved report

Administration Update (Catherine and Dane)

- Skills Canada – 2 students teams recognized and will be advancing to the Ontario Finals being held in Kitchener, Waterloo in May (Grade 4-6 Character Animation and Grade 7-8 Lego Mechanics)
- All sports activity ongoing (i.e. house league; Grade 8 trip etc.)
- Science equipment has arrived and being set up in lab. Parent Council to tour Science Lab next meeting April 28; idea to promote at Bingo night to encourage more parents to come out next Parent Meeting
- **Pizza Lunch Fridays** – next term order form ready to go
 - Catherine to get local Famous Pizza to next Parent Council meeting to taste test pizza in consideration for next year's Pizza Lunch program
 - idea to conduct a pizza taste test challenge at Bingo night
- **Subway Lunches** – next term order form ready to go
 - going really well and students are responding very positively
 - quality of subs have been very good
- **Technology Update** – Catherine to follow up on wireless keyboards ordered and have still not arrived
 - school has spent 8K on technology to complement Parent Council spend