

Buttonville Parent Council Meeting

Wednesday, February 28, 2018, 6:30 pm

Attendees: Kim Sutherland, Kerry Mallett, Danny Woo, Pravin Rajagopal, Neely Noticewala, Shankeetha Selvarajah, Imma Petrou, Lowell Tsang, Asha Rathod, Sean Yao, Melanie Lamarsh

November minutes approved by Kerry Mallett and Danny Woo

School News

- Ms Lamarsh – teacher rep at meeting
- Jan and Feb junior coed volleyball – two tournaments – 1st place in yrdsb east area tournament tier 2
- Intermediate basketball - both teams came in fourth place in tier one
- Junior basketball will be starting soon
- Right to Play presentation – math wonder wall – math team put together – focus on helping students understand math – continues to be focus for York region, waterfall chart is for children with learning disabilities, look at different areas of math, how do you teach math in different ways, visuals, materials, necessary for some students but beneficial for all
- Boys club starting (boys wanted a club like great to be girls, boys put plan together, over 60 boys), chess club all grades, drama club for jr and int run by Ms Waldman, arts and dance club
- Intramurals starting soon
- Polo and floor hockey just ended
- Yoga club open to all ages - Fridays at lunch
- Games club – for primaries during inclement weather
- Feb 13 spoken word competition – Ms Asanti, poetry, deep topics, emotional, express emotions through poetry, group of 4 or 5 kids in grades 7 and 8
- Equity workshops run by intermediate leadership team and Me to We group
- Me to We club did fundraising with cupcakes on Feb 14
- Black history presentations today
- Feb 13 danceathon – big success
- Artist in residence – grades 7 and 8 – masks – students engaged – successful – looking at equity – social identities – any given person has a number of identities – race, gender

Treasurers report

- Major income – investment in education, popcorn, cookies
- Chapters fundraiser – raised \$520 dollars
- Raffle sales – pretty good
- Expenses – Oct agreed to spend 5,000 – have purchased yoga mats, social studies materials, tumbleweed, jk classroom supplies, interactive games
- \$5,000 should be left at the end of the year based on expected expenses – some expenses – grandparents tea, baskets
- Asha – divisional meeting on Monday – urgent school needs- technology, had cart full of ipads, teachers signed them out, not always returned properly, looking at chrome books, equitable access to classes, most of ipads don't have protective covers, ipad covers are in need, \$14.00 each,

- other urgent need is to create a bag for each classroom with outside toys – soccer balls, basket balls etc. homeroom teacher will monitor resources
- another urgent need is reading home program - needs to be revamped, home reading has not been revamped for seven years,
- Costs - Ipads \$826 (59 x 14)
- \$80 per class for outdoor equipment - \$1,500
- K – gr 3 take home reading books – \$3,000 – \$5,000
- Council voted on where to spend money – agreed on \$826 ipads, \$1500 outdoor equipment and \$1174 towards grade one books – total of \$3500 council agreed to spend
- Bbq date has been changed to Wed June 6, 2018

Lice lady

- coming in last week of march and will do follow up in early April
- Agreed to do again in sept and march
- \$1,400 needed
- Looking at 400 students for next year

Mr Sub

– Jim has closed his franchise at Woodbine and 16th location - owner from Luis Kuizina bought franchise, named Syed is new contact from Richmond hill

Baskets

- Will do again this year for bbq, need 10 themes, baking, day at beach, rainy day crafts, backyard fun, spa day for mom, fathers day, gardening, cats and dogs, sweet tooth, slumber party, get well, cleaning supplies, exam cram – some ideas – oodles and noodles and everything Italian, chocolate lovers, great to be girls or all that glitters – Kerry will pick two new baskets for this year

Grandparents Tea

– Friday may 4 – Asha will confirm date – will run from 11 – 12:25 - Asha will ask Mr Sui for band to perform - \$200 is ok to spend – people will volunteer with food such as fruit platters, cupcakes, banana loafs- Kim and Kerry will coordinate - Lynda will do up invitation – Imma will confirm with Lynda

BBQ

- Fiesta for kids – grand total 3,025
- Wristbands \$15.45 included everything expect snow cones, cotton candy, popcorn or water
- Food prices – hot dog, hamburger and veggie burger all \$ 6.70, chicken breast \$7.75
- Cancel chicken burger – all agreed

Next meeting will be April 25, 2018