

# Buttonville Public School Council Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, November 4, 2014

6:30PM to 8:00PM

Attendee
Lori Higgins
Janet Gillespie
Neely Noticewala
Janet Murphy
Melanie Sonnerberg
Linda Brown
Lowell Tsang
Kim Sutherland
Vidya Rajagopal
Kerry Mallett
Peri Sygounas

- **Approval of October 7, 2014 minutes by Kerry and Peri**

## Principal's Update - Lori

- School halls currently being painted – classrooms have been done – gym will be painted during March break – blue doors and blue frames will be done later as it is a bigger job
- The grass in the front will be sodded in the spring
- Many Sports Clubs are being run – iwalk will go until June, grades 3 and 4 soccer during lunch, volleyball and basketball on the go, Band – the band played O Canada over the announcements, they did an amazing job
- Ottawa trip will be in the spring for grade 8s. Letter went out for grade 8 students.
- Take Your Child to Work day for grade 9's is on Wednesday, November 5th. Grade 8s will go to their home high schools that day as part of transition plan
- Thursday, November 6<sup>th</sup> the grade 7 and 8s will go to see the Symphony
- Next Wednesday, November 12<sup>th</sup> report cards will be sent home – Parent / teacher interviews will be held Thursday, November 13<sup>th</sup> and Friday, November 14<sup>th</sup>
- Library book fair will start November 10<sup>th</sup>
- Cost sharing – technology – looked at plan with our teacher lead for technology – will update laptops – looking at document cameras which work with LCD projector – due by Dec 15<sup>th</sup> - \$5,000
- Clothing drive – 3 teachers working on it – “Me 2 We” program – about teaching our kids how we give back locally and internationally – staff decided we need to focus on that

## Treasurer's Report – Janet

- \$14,254 at beginning of month
- Lots of donations made and pasta and sub money collected
- \$45,000 in our account
- We have \$11 or \$12,000 we could spend if we choose
- Will take \$1,500 out for grade 8 graduation – council agreed
- Will be doing new blinds in the school – almost \$15,000
- Wish list from teachers – includes scientists in the school, student conferences, math manipulatives, bussing, classroom libraries and directors cut workshop
- \$5,500 approx – total wish list – council voted and agreed to all the teachers requested

## Booster juice – Kerry

- no complaints about sub lunch
- unfortunately Booster Juice lunch did not run smoothly
- Kerry has talked to her contact – pizza wrap looked like a ham wrap – some classes were missing food, some had extras – hopefully it will be better next time
- Kerry asked if council should be looking to make more money for the school - little concerned as less orders this year for Booster Juice lunch and we had to cancel movie night due to lack of attendees
- Lorie said not to worry – still have money in our account and council has done well raising money in other ways

## Pasta lunch - Kim

- 180 orders – little less than last year
- first order today , Tuesday, November 4<sup>th</sup> – no problems

## Popcorn and Cookies

- Rocio looking after popcorn and cookies – Peri trained Rocio
- One change is that the cookies will not be wrapped in plastic – less mess and garbage – volunteers will use plastic gloves to hand out cookies to the students
- Popcorn and cookies being sold November 6, December 4 and 18

## Lice Lady

- Booked for October 1, 2015

## BBQ - Kerry

- Kerry got a deal through wag jag for a photo booth for the bbq
- \$249 but issues as contact wants to charge hst but she does not have an hst number
- Kerry will give the invoice to Vidya to follow up with her accountant on the hst issue

## Miko Sale - Peri

- Booked for November 19<sup>th</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup>
- Miko sent a letter – Peri will fill in school information and put on school letterhead and it will be distributed
- Receipts need to be brought back to the school

## Hot Chocolate – Peri

- Friday, December 12<sup>th</sup> – morning recess – will do outside – kindergartens will be served inside
- Peri bought hot chocolate last year when it was on sale

## Pro Grant

- lots of talk of social media issues with the kids
- possibly look at having Steve Chapelle again - who we had two years ago
- things have changed – he would help educate parents as well as students
- will consider for April, 2015 - hope to get parents out before spring activities begin
- will discuss further at December meeting

Next meeting is December 2, 2014