

SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

05 Dec 2022 / 1900 hrs / EJ Sand Library

Noted by Michelle Breton

In Attendance

Mary Mackeracher (Principal)	Boram Sim
Ms. Yadollahi (Teacher Representative)	Sharmila Padayachi
Azita Moradian Bashghaleh (Chair)	Attya Adnan
Youval Zilberberg (Treasurer)	Reza Javaheri
Michelle Breton (Secretary)	Narsis Eftekiyari
Elnour Tanbakoochi (Fundraising)	Boris Eklishev
Rebecca Grunfield (Member at Large)	

1. Welcome / Land Acknowledgement

Acknowledged shared responsibility to respect and care for the land and water for future generations.

2. Approve Minutes from Last Meeting

The meeting minutes of 06 October 2022 were reviewed and approved (motion: Youval Zilberberg, second the motion: Elnour Tanbakoochi).

3. Principal and Teachers' Update

- a. School Events:** Remembrance Day ceremony, Halloween parade, December Winter Fair (each classroom will host a different activity planned by the teachers), Holiday Dance.
- b. Identity Project:** ongoing throughout the year. Students will be preparing snowflakes representing their identity, and it will be showcased during the Winter Fair.
- c. Cookie Fundraiser:** the cookies are being sold at \$2 to help pay for the graduation trip and dinner.
- d. Hot Lunches:** the school is currently serving hot lunches, milk, sushi and pizza. Dominos pizza was replaced with Gino's pizza due to lack of satisfactory product.
- e. Paid Programs:** Master Chef, Music and Movement, Cartoon Drawing class - will continue for the second session due to high interest.
- f. Food Drive:** the Fire Department will collect the goods the last day of school before the holiday break.
- g. School Fair:** very successful. All the profits will go towards new resources for the library.
- h. Director's visit:** the Director will come for a school visit on 13 January 2023, to meet the teachers and students.
- i. Athletics:** the school participates in all sports. Volleyball for Juniors has started, and basketball will also be starting.

4. Treasurer's Update

School Council General Account: \$2,443.87
Summary of School Council Pizza: \$5,152.80
Total School Council Budget: \$8,096.67

5. Fundraising Ideas

Below are fundraising ideas identified by members of the council and parents present at the meeting.

- a. Krispy Kream Donuts
- b. Bingo Night
- c. Movie Night
- d. Vegetable sale in the Fall (this item will remain on the list for next year)
- e. Kernels Popcorn
- f. Chocolate Sale
- g. Holiday Baskets

The School Council Committee will discuss these ideas before the next meeting in order to have a plan in place.

6. Questions and Answers

Will there be school trips this school year?

The school is working on sending the students on trips, however has been unable to, due to a lack of bus availability. With the current bus shortage across the province, the buses are only available to send the students on a one-hour trip; with a fee of \$600 for the bus service, it is unfeasible at the moment. The school will inquire on possible changes with the bus schedule, and will revisit opportunities.

Will there be opportunities to showcase the talents in the school, and award students with certificates to demonstrate appreciation?

The school is planning on hosting a talent show, however there are no current plans to hold certificate/award ceremonies. Mary Mackeracher will talk to the teachers regarding recognizing the students, as it demonstrated having great importance to both students and parents.

7. Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 1958 hrs.

The next meeting will be held on 06 February 2023.