



Franklin Street PS School Council Minutes
Wednesday, January 31, 2024

Attendance

Present	Marie Allard Lisaan Mohammed Kathleen Homiak Samantha Smith Seetha Sriharan Gail Koidis Andrea Kitchen (Teacher Representative) Josephine Scavuzzo (Vice-Principal) Carolyn Brndiar (Principal)
Absent	
Regrets	Sarah Kennedy

Opening: The third, full meeting of the 2023-2024 Franklin Street PS School Council was called to order at **6:00pm on January 31st, 2024** by chairperson Marie Allard virtually, over Google Meet.

Approval of November minutes

Discussion:

- Approved

Approval of agenda

Discussion:

- Approved

Agenda

Agenda Item: Land Acknowledgment

Presenter: Sam

Agenda Item: Fundraising Options

Presenters: Marie, Sam

Discussion:

- Subs (February start) – we had over 200 orders. Every Thursday for the month of February
- Labels (Mabel's Labels, Oliver's Labels) - has started. Emails, FB and Whats app were

means on communication for this

- Patties – Marie said it was \$2 per patty – not sure what the final decision was
- Popcorn (Kernels Popcorn) -Multiple options -school concert, random days etc \$1.25 cost
 - Grade 8s to do
- Pizza – still going with Pizza Nova – more cashback to the school
- Spirit Wear – wanted to bring back another one – Gail and team to check if it was only once or year or it can be done twice. If it is done twice, there is another set up fee and different clothing colours
- Poinsettias – Franklin families were hoping we did the poinsettias again as they really enjoyed getting them as gifts for the holidays. Thinking of doing it again Christmas 2024

Action Items	Person Responsible	Deadline
<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Look into another Spirit wear day	Gail	February

Agenda Item: Administrators' Report

Presenters: Carolyn & Josephine

Discussion:

- Boys basketball started
- Girls basketball finals Feb 26 and 28, 2024
- Girls club – went to Amica and kept residents entertained
- Robotics, Dungeons and Dragons – going well
- Report Cards coming out week of Feb 20, 2024. Term one ended, Term 2 began Feb 5
- Mme. Genkham coming back for Grade 6 FI, Mme Troung will be coverage for other FI classes
- School Council asked Parent council to remind parents for change of clothes for wet days, kids to wear jackets, tarmac only recess when field are muddy
- Leadership team started rotations – Yearbooks and wellness day took place on Feb 7. For wellness day, they talked about different emotions, video and talk – 20 minutes each station
- Feb 14 – Dance party – primary in the morning, Intermediate second block
- Grade 3 gifted testing – now in stage 2 process. If parents haven't heard, their kids didn't get in
- School improvement plan – form of communication – whats app, News by nest, using edsby for call in for lateness
- School musical – Stoneman and Sansome – thinking of doing this before March break (March 8) and may need to do some fundraising for this.

Action Items	Person Responsible	Deadline
Musical	Student council	

Agenda Item: Grade 8 trip

Presenter: Carolyn

Discussion:

- Going to Muskoka
- Going end of May 29-31 – Wed - Fri, 3 days and 2 nights
- Grade 8 only
- The cabins look great and many activities planned!

Action Items \$1000 put towards grade 8 grad trip – will put more if needed

Agenda Item: Game night/movie night

Presenters: Marie, Lisaan, Josephine, Carolyn

Discussion:

- Planning to do end of March/beginning of April – second week of April preferably.
- Majority prefers movies/popcorn
- Can probably sell popcorn the day of the movie as well.
- Need to have a license for showing movies. According to Josephine, it is \$5 per student up to \$450 – for a calendar year.
- The movies is a chunk of movies that may or may not be new. No Disney movies (copyright issues).

Action Items

- Looking to see licensing to show movies in the school
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Agenda Item: Community/school survey

Presenter: Marie

Discussion:

- Overall positive response to survey.
- Many ideas for food fundraising – healthier options also were requested
- Technology for school
- Sports equipment
- Field trips
- In class presentations

Action Items

- Discussed later in meeting for purchasing
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Agenda Item: Franklin Fete

Presenters: Marie & Lisaan

Discussion:

- Everything is submitted to city of Markham
- Volunteer survey sent out on Whats app, FB
- Mini committees – email sent for a session – March 5 – need a lead head for each committee
- Volunteers – going to reach out to Markham District and Bill Hogarth for students
- Talked about avoiding long line ups for food and wristbands – thinking of sending tickets and wristbands with the kiddos home

Action Items

Person Responsible **Deadline**

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| • School to send the poster for Franklin Fete | Sarah | February |
| • Parent Council to meet and discuss the many committees | Marie | March |

Agenda Item: Purchases for Franklin

Presenters: Carolyn and Josephine

Discussion:

- School council gave parent council their wish list
- Risers for the bleachers – they are safer and foldable – getting quotes
- Instrument repair – tune ups, instrument in pieces – held by duct tape
- Classroom mats for primary grades
- Mounted speakers and projectors in classes
- Soundproofing in music room – has to be a board vendor
- Document cameras – less than \$200
- Chrome books for classrooms.
- Decisions was to go with classroom mats, mounted speakers and projectors and instrument repair (in that order)
- Long term goal – soundproofing, document cameras and chrome books\

Action Items

Person Responsible **Deadline**

- none
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Agenda Item: Treasurer's Report

Presenter: Kathleen and Carolyn

As of January 21, 2024 we have \$21,483.

- Total money spent is \$6792.43
- Planning on moving \$1000 (or more if needed for grade 8 grad)
- See if we can give any money for the school play

- Pay for 3 things on the Student council wish list (see agenda item)

Action Items	Person Responsible	Deadline
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Agenda Item: Other Business

Presenters: Marie, Lisaan, Carolyn

- **Food Drives:** Thanksgiving was great – wanted to do Easter as well – but too close to many other events happening as per Student council. So it's a no.
- **Gender-neutral Bathroom** – 2 bathrooms are considered gender neutral. There are also staff bathrooms available.
- **Leo Barbe** – was very positive and motivational – Looking into a list of parent workshops where he can present at
- **Reesor Park & Franklin dates** – Parent Council to make sure dates are not in conflict

Action Items	Person Responsible	Deadline
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Leo Barbe – Parent workshops 	Sam	Near future
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reesor Park and Franklin Dates 	Sam and Seetha	Ongoing

Meeting Adjourned: 6:57 pm

Next General School Council meeting: Wednesday, June 19, 2024.

Proposed future dates:

- *Additional meeting date to be set between January and June - TBD*
- Wednesday, June 19th, 2024
- Franklin Fête: Thursday, June 6th, 2024