| HARRY BOWES SCHOOL COUNCIL MINUTES <br> DATE: Wednesday December $7^{\text {th, }} 2022$ LOCATION: HBPS School Library |  |  |
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|  | ATTENDEES: | Nadia MacKinnon, Holly Murdoch, Janet Esau, Athena Acciaccaferri, Carly Lyons-Rising (remote), Ramona Lawrance, Pam McLaughlin, Priyanga Manoharan, Sonia LaCavita, Rosyln McQuinn, Michelle Leblond, Brenner Lilleberg, Rachel Salvagna, Melissa Willis, Hila Draper, Ms. Cindi Harris REGRETS: Christine Ramdeyol |
| MEETING CALLED TO ORDER | TIME: | 6:31pm |
|  | BY WHOM: | Ms. Esau |
| APPROVAL OF AGENDA | APPROVED BY: | Ms. Acciaccaferri |
|  | SECONDED BY: | Ms. McLaughlin |
| APPROVAL OF PREV. MINUTES | DATE OF PREV MINUTES | Wed Nov 2 ${ }^{\text {nd }}, 2022$ |
|  | APPROVED BY: | Ms. Acciaccaferri |
|  | SECONDED BY: | Ms. McLaughlin |
| INTRO AND WELCOME | Ms. Esau | Welcome! |
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| FINANCIAL UPDATES | Ms. Acciaccaferri | Pizza - First Session \$15,500 (\$2,250 to pay, \$5,158 paid to date) Big Box of Cards -108 boxes sold $=\$ 3,780$, Profit is approx. $\$ 1,188$ Surplus of $\$ 18,523.70$ - about $\$ 13 \mathrm{k}$ is committed to Admin Budget |
| ADMIN LEARNING SESSION | Ms. Salvagna | Request to add funds for school to host an "Early Learning Literacy Night" planned for Spring 2023 (1-2 hour session to introduce Parents to the "Science of Reading" <br> Budget estimate of $\$ 1,500$ (depends on parent uptake/registration) <br> Learning night would be for parents only (although babysitting could be provided on the night) <br> Target audience are parents of $\mathrm{K}-2$, but open to all parents of the school |


|  |  | Session would address how kids learn to read (the science behind it), how to support our kids reading, pillars and tips for all skill levels, plus strategies and tools available <br> This approach is replacing previous model: Reding Recovery Programs Suggestion to boost attendance: Plan for same night as a movie night Also, sessions will be recorded and can be accessed by parents unable to attend in person <br> Suggestion to apply to Whitchurch-Stouffville Legacy Fund - could only qualify if open-up to other local school <br> Motion to add to Admin Budget - PASSED (no oppositions) |
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| ADMIN UPDATES | Ms. Mackinnon and Ms. Murdoch | School Activities <br> Student Activities and Extra Curriculars - Since last Council Meeting <br> 1. Remembrance Day Assemblies <br> 2. Intermediate Boys and Girls Volleyball has continued <br> 3. Scholastic Book Fair <br> 4. Dental Screening <br> 5. Immunization Clinic <br> 6. Parent-Teacher Meetings <br> 7. Gifted Screening (Grade 3) - second screening is Jan for those children identified after first screening <br> 8. Primary Floor Hockey - Madam York, with intermediate students supporting (such as refs) <br> 9. EQAO Assessment Results were sent to Families <br> 10. Blue Jays Care Foundation: <br> - Donated 25 snowsuits - 17 went to students and 8 were raffled <br> - Donated 200 books to the school library <br> 11. (Snack) Food Drive <br> 12. Mittens and Hats being collected for donation ("Giving Tree") Upcoming Events: <br> 13. Friday Dec $16^{\text {th }}$ is PJ and Stuffy Spirit Day <br> 14. Crock-a-Doodle coming to school w/c Dec $12^{\text {th }}-$ Grade 2 s |


|  |  | 15. Elective/Fun Day Wednesday Dec 14 ${ }^{\text {th }}$ |
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| Elective/Fun Day | Ms. Harris/Ms. Esau | Sent out activity lists for each student to rank their preferences (each division had their own list of activities to choose from) <br> Day is cut into 6 periods (some activities overlap more than 1 period) <br> Teachers will try to give students top choices <br> Each student will have their own personal schedule on the day and rotate to each room <br> Every division (plus Kindergarten) will be able to attend the dance in the gym during their respective time slots <br> There will be at least one teacher overseeing the activities <br> Parent volunteers (with vulnerable sector screening) needed for dances <br> Also need donations of puzzles and board games. <br> In need of chess sets that can be returned if send with student name on it <br> Activity choices: <br> Intermediate <br> - Chess Room <br> - Movie <br> - Board games <br> - Reading room <br> - Painting <br> - Hair and make up <br> - Arena ball <br> - Flower arrangements <br> - Music trivia <br> - Drumming <br> Junior <br> - Flower arrangements <br> - Minute to win it games <br> - Mini Sticks <br> - Trivia <br> - Boom whackers |


|  |  | - Puzzle Room <br> - Comic Book Drawing <br> - Reading Room <br> - Board Games <br> - Craft Room <br> Primary <br> - Nature Walk <br> - Movie <br> - Crafts/jewellery making <br> - Board Games <br> - Music <br> - Boom whackers <br> - Carnival Games <br> - Building with Lego Blocks <br> - Minute to Win It <br> - Drawing <br> - Hockey |
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| Pro-Grant | Ms. Esau | Still in research phase <br> Max funding request is $\$ 800$ <br> Can partner up with other schools in the community <br> This year's theme: Creating Identity Affirming Schools and Community <br> Application due in the New Year (done via email application) |
| Spirit Wear Update | Ms. Lyons-Rising | 21 Families, 32 Orders, average order was \$68 <br> Sales $\$ 2,186$ (nothing raised for school - community building only) <br> Most popular items; Youth Packages, Varsity Hoodies, Zip Hoodies and tees <br> Will come prepackaged and sent home with student |


| Big Box of Cards Update | Ms. LaCivita | Profit was approx. \$1,188 <br> Delivery expected Mon Dec $19^{\text {th }}$ - will need volunteers to sort orders for distribution on Tuesday <br> Delay with the "All Occasions Box" - not expected until the New Year <br> Those impacted by the delay were contacted ( 34 boxes ordered) <br> Ms. LaCivita is also planning on attaching a note to those orders going home without the All Occasions Box to remind them still coming in January |
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| Lice Check Update | Ms. Esau | Scheduled for Jan $25^{\text {th }} 2023$ (3-4 technicians arrive on day to administer) <br> Not mandatory - families will still be able to opt out (forms to be sent home) <br> Cost is $\$ 2.50 /$ child @ 625 is $\$ 1,562.50$ (max expense) <br> [note this was voted on offline by council to be included in the Admin Budget] |
| Storage Room | Ms. Leblond | Small team cleaned and sorted - took about an hour Most items were unable to be repurposed, etc. so disposed of Some items donated and some were donated to Elective/Fun Day |
| Clothing Drive | Ms. Leblond | Scheduled pick up for Fri Jan $13^{\text {th }} 2023$ <br> Drop offs can begin first week back post Holiday break <br> Request donations made in plastic bags for easier transport <br> Aiming to hold a Coffee Morning on Thurs Jan $12^{\text {th }}$ for parents to mingle after clothing drop off <br> Motion Passed for Council funds to be used for coffee spend (est $\$ 250$ ) |
| Ideas for Fun Day in February | Ms. Esau | Tentatively planned for February <br> Rocks \& Rings (Curling) <br> - Popular when held in previous years, but no availability with exception of May $29^{\text {th }}$ <br> - 4 days of instruction - all grades <br> - Quote of $\$ 1,040$ plus HST <br> Astronomy in Action (Portable Planetariums) <br> - All grades <br> - Some dates available in February <br> - Quote $\$ 5,690$ plus HST <br> Council looking for some other ideas <br> Objective to choose an activity that can be run by Supplier and/or Volunteers |

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