



## HENDERSON AVENUE PUBLIC SCHOOL

# School Council Minutes

Wednesday, January 18, 2017 @ 7-9pm

**Present:** Mr. Alex Pancharovski (Principal), Lily L.O. (Chair), Jessica L. (Treasurer), Diana M. (Secretary), Laura S., Dorothy L., Azi S., Parisa R., Julie C., Laurie S., Golnaz K., Agnes H., Ms. Matrakoukas, Ms. Kremidas, Mr. Watterworth, Joanna Z., Lijing R., Teresa Z., Shirley L., Ellie K., Sylvia K.

**Regrets:** Giselle Y., Sami S., Julie P.

### **Motion to Approve November 16<sup>th</sup>, 2016 Meeting Minutes**

Minutes opened by: Lily (Chair)

Motioned by: Dorothy

Seconded by: Jessica

### **Treasurer's Report - Ms. Jessica Leung**

- Raised Funds
  - o Sub Lunch had good results - raised \$1,953
  - o QSP Magazine Orders - raised \$733
  
- Spent Funds
  - o Art cart - \$320
  - o Eatrite Inc. Nutrition Fruit program - \$1,400
  - o Bass Drum - \$1,105
  
- Available Funds to be allocated
  - o \$5,000
    - Music Alive Competition (May 15, 16 & 17) - since the snack shop, which sold ministry approved snacks was originally intended and operated by teachers that wish to raise funds for this event is now closed, Mr. Pancharovski is asking for \$3,000 in total (\$500 already allocated plus \$2,500 extra) for 5 staff members

to accompany and supervise 63 students (includes one overnight stay on the 16<sup>th</sup>)

- Voting decision on hold until Mr. Pancharovski gets back to council at the next meeting regarding the final costs as well as how much of the costs the School Board is covering

## **Motion to approve Treasurer's Report as of November 16<sup>th</sup>, 2016**

Motioned by: Azi

Seconded by: Laura

## **Chair's Report - Ms. Lily L. Oon**

- Movie Night - February 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2017 (Feb. 3, PA Day)
  - o Subcommittee members: Sami (lead), Parisa and Agnes
  - o There is an opportunity to rent Moana as a Pre-release for \$135, council voted against it. Will instead show a movie on the list that's already out.
  - o Movie choices will be given to students to vote on (Life of Pets, Finding Dory, etc.)
  - o Agnes purposes selling pop in place of water. Dorothy mentioned that Council has never sold pop in any of our previous events.
- Grad Committee
  - o June 27<sup>th</sup>, 2017 - Giselle & Diana to shadow Laura (Lead)
  - o January 25, 2017 at 8:30pm.... Meeting in the library
- Multicultural Night - April 20<sup>th</sup>, 2017
  - o It was decided at the last meeting that this event will be a go if the teachers and students will get involved to enhance the learning experience of this event.
  - o Mr. Pancharovski said there is no interest from teachers to get involved at this time
  - o Council voted, 7 for shelving this event for the 2017/2018 school year
- QSP Magazine Drive
  - o Funds raised from sales \$733
  - o Rep asking if interested in selling cookie dough sales, but not permitted due to it not being a non-peanut free facility
- Healthy Schools Update
  - o Agnes contacted parents to ask for alternative fundraising activities in place of some ministry approved snacks that were being sold at the teacher/student run snack shop fundraiser. She will lead a committee to raise funds on a weekly basis to replace some of the lost in funds from the closure of the snack shop which was intended and still needed for the upcoming Music Competition
  - o Agnes is interested in doing monthly programs to teach students about nutrition during lunch hour. Mr. Pancharovski approves
  - o Snack Shop
    - no longer available

- A few primary parents mentioned that they support the snack shop as it was a misunderstanding and didn't know that all the snacks are ministry approved
  - Others voicing that parents should teach their children healthy eating habits at home and not place the onus on school alone
  - Lily acknowledged the teachers for their hard work and dedication
- McGregor's Fund Raiser
  - o Jessica (Lead)
  - o Sale starts mid to late April 2017
  - o Delivery pick up May 11<sup>th</sup> at 6pm
- PRO Grant (\$1,000.00)
  - o Speaker Series - Lily (Lead)
    - Lily has contacted a couple of speakers and Mr. Pancharovski has also contacted Michelle Cassidy, YRDSB designated Mental Health specialist.
    - If Michelle is available, we will most likely go with her since her seminars will be free and she came highly recommended.
- BBQ - June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2017
  - o Agnes (Lead)
- Teacher Appreciation Luncheon - June 12<sup>th</sup>, 2017
  - o Parisa (Lead)

## **Principal's Report - Mr. Alex Pancharovski**

- EQAO Analysis Update (School improvement, math plans moving forward, first term report cards)
  - o Staff and Mr. P. (Frazer report came out) continuing to work on reviewing results, kids who need extra help are being supported
  - o Reviewing and analyzing diverse needs for diverse students from various economical and multicultural backgrounds
- Report Cards
  - o Feb 15 - 2<sup>nd</sup> interim term report cards going home (no parent/teacher interviews)
- Intramural activities (JK - 6) will start shortly.
  - o Purpose: to promote cooperate play amongst boys and girls
- Family Math Night - Feb 22nd
  - o Mr. Watterworth (Lead)

- o Presenter - Trevor Brown - focus on changing mindset in how to approach math and deal with anxiety associated with it
  
- Grade 8 Trip to Quebec - April 25<sup>th</sup>, 2017
  - o Payments being collected - trip cost is approx. \$600
  
- Ski Trip - (March 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2017)
  - o Grades 4 - 8
  
- Primary Skate Day (March 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2017)
  - o Place TBD; (Field behind school, Thornhill C.C. or other community centers)
  - o To ask for Play it Again Sport for donations of skates and helmets for students
  
- Friendship fence
  - o Mr. Pancharovski waiting for contractor to give quote (aligned with line painting in the kindergarten area)
  
- Other school greening projects
  - o Ms. Lee (School Eco Lead)
  - o Weather permitting, team will be tearing down weeds and bushes.
  
- Speaker Series
  - o Piece by Piece - from York University working with students for 6 weeks (anti-bullying)
  - o Secret Life of Riley - anti-bullying presentations
  - o Puppet magic show for younger ages (date: end of Feb TBD)
  
- Music Alive National Competition - May 15 - 17th
  - o by invite only, 63 students attending. 5 staff to accompany and supervise
  - o Location: Niagara Falls

Next SAC Meeting - February 15<sup>th</sup>, 2017 @ 7:00 pm.

Meeting Adjourned at 9:00 pm