

JOSEPH A GIBSON PUBLIC SCHOOL

Meeting Minutes

November 21, 2022

School Council Attendees: Nick DiMondo, Claudia Fischer, Nadia Ghafoor, Pina Olsson, Nitasha Ragnauth, Sabrina Ponzo, Chris Mastine, Andria DeCesare, Christine Gulyasik, Laura Henriques, Michelle Gallo

Absent: Saejal Ohri, Gabriela Serbu, Edona Vila, Rosemary Alam, Lisa Papa, Jeanie Defulviis (teacher rep)

FUTURE MEETING DATES – SAVE THE DATE:

JAN. 16

FEB. 13

APR. 17

MAY 15

JUNE 12

1	Welcome and Call to Order Meeting started at 7:02pm
2	Approval of Previous Minutes October 2022 –motion to accept by Andria; seconded by Nadia
3	Treasurer’s Report <ul style="list-style-type: none">Financial Report for October was reviewed <p>Total revenue \$10,249, less \$1,928.99, resulting in closing cash balance of \$41,466.66 .</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">October Financial Report -motion to accept approved by Chris and seconded by Sabrina
4	Principal’s Report <ul style="list-style-type: none">Regional cross country – finished in top 10/20Boys’ intermediate volleyball had their first meet at Discovery P. SParent teacher conference and interviews went wellReport cards sent electronically to familiesEQAO data -included in Gazette. Students who wrote last year will be sent home with their report on how they did.Duane Gibson – was fantastic and had great interactions with entire study bodySparky Fire Prevention - presentations to all Grade 1 classesGrade 7/8 went to Cold Creek – refund will be issued to families due to snow fall that limited participation in some planned activities

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chromebook – distribution worked well during school closure • Donation drive \$3,385 earned in October’s Fundraising Campaign • Fundscrip – pay out to be confirmed • No Cost Sharing this year – Board will not match spending for technology initiative. Council will still proceed with Chromebook purchases approximately with \$4,000 • Outdoor Benches \$920 (total cost approximately \$3,000 with concrete pad & labour) • Silver Birch, Red Maple, Blue Spruce reading programs – requires purchase of books amounting to \$600 • 5 year plan for building musical instruments – Includes finishing off this year’s Orff instruments purchases, future purchases metallophone, flutes and clarinets • January events – Danceathon, all-in costs \$1,000-1,200; Claudia will follow up with DJ and book a date in January
5	<p>Teacher’s Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No Report •
6	<p>Fundraising</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Donation Drive - as discussed above; continues throughout the year with donations accepted through School Cash Online or in the office • Pizza Sales – no update • Cookie Sales - Sold on average 200 cookies per week; thanks to Christine and Michelle Hunt for volunteering every Thursday • Need to discuss another Spring Fundraiser to support the outdoor classroom – deferred to next meeting
7	<p>New Business</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cost Sharing – looking to purchase 20 chrome books at \$393 each. \$4,000 already reserved, and requesting council will reserve another \$2,000- 3,000. Council suggested allocating \$3,000 • Requesting \$600 for books Silver Birch Red Maple Blue Spruce • Instrument Plan – for 5 years total cost is \$13,290, requesting \$2,000 for this year’s instruments. • Allocated \$1,200 for winter dance • All Council members approved the above spend totaling \$6,800 leaving remaining cash reserve funds \$4,902. • Sabrina to look into Home Depot crafts (~360 students)

	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Family Potluck discussed – in February; tentative at this time as teacher who organizes the event is currently on leave• Tentative Winter Concert plan for December
8	Adjournment/Next Meeting – Adjourned at 7:42pm <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Next meeting – Jan. 16 at 7:00pm