## KPS COUNCIL MINUTES

| Date: | Thursday December 8, 2022 |
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| Co-Chairs: | Christine, Mallory |
| Secretary: | Melanie |
| Council Members: | Christine, Mallory, Melanie, Lori, Stacy, Lindsay, Amanda, Yvonne, Erin, <br> Melissa, Kim, Tara, David, Rochelle, Linda, Amy, Michelle, Sarah, Kealy, <br> Tammy |
| Observers: |  |
| Principal: | Tonya Vokey-Young |
| Vice-Principal: | Bryana Lloyd |
| Teacher Representatives: | Emily Stapleton, Mark Vojnic |
| Google Drive: | kpsmemberatlarge@gmail.com - Password KeswickPS |
| In Attendance: | Tonya, Emily, Christine, Mallory, Melanie, Lori, Stacy, Amanda, Jennifer, Erin, <br> Tara, Amy, Sarah, Kealy |
| Regrets: | Bryana, Mark, Lindsay |
| Student Representative: |  |

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| Topic (Presenter) | Discussion Notes | Next Steps |
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| 1. Welcome (Christine) |  | N/A |
| 2. Approval of last minutes (Everyone) | - Minutes from Nov. 10 meeting approved | N/A |
| 3. Financials (Jenn) | - Total balance is $\$ 7647.63$; about $\$ 5000$ in general account, $\$ 2600$ in pizza account <br> - In new year there will be one account for lunch program; general account will be for fundraising | N/A |
| 4. Poinsettia fundraiser update (Erin) | - Fundraiser went smoothly <br> - About \$1500 paid to greenhouse; no profit calculated yet; profit will be represented at January meeting | Jenn will share profit at the January meeting. |
| 5. Pro-Grant (Tonya) | - Pro-Grant is "Parents Reaching Out Grant" <br> - In the past we received about $\$ 500$ <br> - We need to decide as council what we want to focus on; last year we had Duane Gibson as guest speaker for parents and students <br> - Tonya has chosen social inclusion and racism, creating welcoming environment, and parents as valued partners as areas of focus; targets equity and inclusivity, wellbeing and mental health, collaborative relationships <br> - Council would like specific focus to be mental health awareness, knowledge, and mental health supports <br> - Request for presentation to occur before May 5 <br> - Can select community organization to partner with; this is to be determined at later date; also potential collaboration with another school <br> - Impact will be evaluated by survey and report on attendance (number of parents attending, etc.) <br> - Proposed budget $\$ 800$; speaker $\$ 500$, refreshments $\$ 100$, parent resources \$200 <br> - Person responsible for final report will be Bryana | Application was submitted; specific details will be discussed at a future meeting. <br> Bryana will write the final report. |
| 6. Guest speakers for students; Fun Fair (Emily) | - Little Red Theatre is children's theatre company and non-profit charity <br> - Emily would like them to do show for primary students <br> - Dates available in February, March, and April <br> - Shows: The Elves, a Shoemaker and his Wife, and Thumbelina; both shows can be done in French <br> - Cost is $\$ 500$ | Emily will schedule Little Red Theatre and Duane Gibson presentations. <br> The Fun Fair will be June 1. |

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|  | - For juniors/intermediates, Emily is hoping to have Duane Gibson return in person as guest speaker <br> - One show is $\$ 999+$ HST <br> - Dates available in February and March <br> - Need $\$ 1700$ in to book both Little Red Theatre and Duane Gibson <br> - Before COVID there used to be a fun fair in June <br> - The French book fair will be May 29 - June 2; maybe Thursday June 1 could be a fun fair (next day is P.A. day) so that parents can attend the book fair |  |
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| 7. Lunch/nutrition programs (Lori/Jenn) | - Programs are running smoothly <br> - Lori looked into community options - Chef Todd, Boston Pizza, Symposium; it is difficult to get double delivery; they are working on it for January <br> - Still looking into Lunch Box; Boston Pizza has contract with Lunch Box for another school; they don't know if they can sell to us if they are already under contract with Lunch Box <br> - Board is deciding how they want schools to go about using Lunch Box; asked school to wait before starting to use Lunch Box <br> - Nutrition program - Lori will start asking families for donations because people have inquired about making donations; there will be monthly reminder sent | Lori will continue to communicate with these restaurants; update at the next meeting. |
| 8. Pizza kits and cookies/ Macgregors Meats (Jenn/Lori) | - No restrictions about who we can use for fundraisers; need to make sure that source is reputable; we can use Little Caesars <br> - Macgregor's Meats fundraiser can be planned a short time ahead once they send information about kick-back that would be received | Fundraisers will be scheduled in the future. |
| 9. Fundraising Schedule (Tonya/Jenn) | - A fundraising schedule has not been created yet <br> - Students shared ideas with office staff about things to fundraise for without prompting; ideas have been recorded and brought to staff meeting (e.g. balls to use at recess) <br> - If there is extracurricular band running then we can fundraise for this, but not for instruments in the music program (but instruments used in band could be used in music classes) <br> - Mallory suggested a sound system for the gym; there has been a need for that for many years <br> - Could send letter to community with fundraising items list; could be a place on Schoolcashonline for parents to donate directly to the school for specific purpose (e.g. instead of ordering for a fundraiser) <br> - Parents can donate money so the school can purchase items (e.g. balls to use a recess), rather than parents donating | Tonya and Jenn will discuss and share with the new principal. |

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|  | equipment to use, to ensure that they are board approved materials, etc. <br> - At end of year could share total amount of money raised and plan of how to spend money |  |
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| 10. Family Dance (Christine) | - Feb. 20 is Family Day, so dance will be Thursday Feb. 23 <br> - Soccer group is here on Thursday nights and can be removed from permit five times per year | Family Dance will be planned in the new year. |
| 11. Spirit Days (Christine) | - Dates are confirmed, posted on website, and can be shared on Facebook <br> Dec. 9 - Hawks Day - Navy/green <br> Dec. 16 - Backwards Day <br> Dec. 19 - Sports/Jersey Day <br> Dec. 20 - Samesie Day <br> Dec. 21 - Winter Wonderland Day <br> Dec. 22 - Red and Green Day <br> Dec. 23 - PJ Day | N/A |
| 12. Holiday Market (Christine/Lori) | - Drop-offs next week up until Thursday Dec. 15 <br> - Market will run Dec. 19-22 on gym stage during recess <br> - Students will help wrap presents after purchase <br> - Need volunteers to help supervise the transaction of money | Volunteers can contact the school. |
| 13. Yearbook (Melanie/Jenn) | - Lindsay needs parents/staff to share photos; she will write an email that can be sent to staff, and continue to make requests on Facebook group for specific photos; so far parents have shared photos by sending messages to Lindsay on Facebook <br> - Jenn said information on website should have links to flyers <br> - Could send link to school website to help parents know where to find information <br> - Parents need to check on school website to make sure they are registered to receive emails regarding anything that they are collecting money for; need to subscribe to receive emails | Lindsay will send information to Tonya to send out to staff. <br> Tonya will send information to staff. <br> Jenn will send a link to the school website to parents. |
| 14. Grade 8 Grad (Christine) | - Can school send email to parents asking if they want to be part of the graduation committee? <br> - Can there be a committee to organize a ceremony and separate email for organizing an after grad party? | Christine will send information to be sent to parents. <br> Jenn will put information in an email to parents. |

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| 15. Entrance/Exit <br> Signs (Sarah) | - Sarah expressed need for clear entrance and exit signs as she <br> almost had collision in front of school; people parked on road <br> reduce visibility <br> - Maybe parents could volunteer to remind parents of correct <br> directions | Jenn will send an <br> email to families <br> addressing this <br> concern. |
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| 16. Tonya's Corner | - Remembrance Day assembly was organized by Mme. Pollard <br> for Junior/Intermediate students <br> - MADD presentation was organized by Bryana for Intermediate <br> students <br> - Grade 3 gifted screening has been done <br> - French teacher Mme. Camenschi has taken over for Mr. <br> Muhigira <br> - Mme. Hamilton will be returning on December 19; Mme. <br> Wintjes has been her replacement and will be leaving |  |
| - New principal will be announced on Dec. 14 |  |  |
| - Holiday heroes for optimist club is running until Dec. 9 |  |  |

Future Meeting Dates: February 9, April 13, May 4, June 8

