

Legacy P.S. School Council

Meeting Minutes: meeting held in Legacy P.S. Library

February 9<sup>th</sup>, 2015

Present Laura Ryckman, Jeff Demacio, Michelle Probert, Lori Nickerson, Dayo Babalola, Sylvia Vocino, Irene Dimov, Sandy Acquaviva, Tricia Mohammed, Nimisha Patel, Saqib Qureshi, Adela Pinnock, Teddy Kardaras, Tracie Graham, Tyler Strutt, Chris Gordon

Minutes: Adela Pinnock

**1. Welcome-** Approval of minutes from previous meeting Motion 1st-Michelle, Motion 2<sup>nd</sup>- Adela

**2. Treasurer update-** \$3,125 went out to the computer cost sharing. Money for pizza for 3 top classes in Tree of wishes initiative. Jerseys still in the works, payment for one grade 8 student trip to Ottawa. \$4800 balance after the commitments. Sylvia will follow up with Mr. Carlyle re ordering jerseys.

**3. Mr. Strutt-** outdoor greening project, in process of getting message out to community for proceeding with project. He would like opinions and feedback on how to get this off the ground. Laura suggested the fastest way would be through a google form for parents. Incentive for kids to have their parents get involved. Maybe get seeds for students to take home to care for. Nimisha looking into getting seeds from the city. Mr. Strutt thinks a good goal for the end of the year would be some small planting and then we need to come up with a 5-10 year plan.

**4. Principal and VP update-** New policy on school councils. Guidelines around how we should be communicating with each other. Our Legacy School Council by laws date back to 2006. We need to tweak them a bit. Anyone interested in 2 meetings with Laura to see if we can make the appropriate changes and have them passed before the next council meeting. Tie this together with the changing of our mission statement.

Graduation- Laura would like to look at a more transparent and inclusive graduation awards ceremony. Right now mostly academic, instead of all academic, could be citizenship award, leadership award, etc.

Staffing and projections for next year. Student numbers are pretty close, staffing may change next year.

Jeff- second half of cost sharing, a lot of the technology has arrived. An order has been placed for the remaining amount. 10 more iPads, projector bulbs, security locks for the computers. Our school has a lot of old technology, board has a program as equipment ages they will take it back and sell us some new ones at a discount. We want to have as much technology as possible.

Motion to donate \$2000 of our remaining \$4800 towards technology.

Yes: Lori, Adela, Teddy, Sylvia, Mr. B., Saqib, Chris, Michelle, Nimisha, Tricia, Sandy

**MOTION PASSED**

**5. Dance –A-Thon-** Thursday April 9<sup>th</sup>. Chris has a friend who owns a dance academy in Stouffville and is willing to come be a part of the dance-a-thon. Lisa Ferrari who teaches Zumba may be interested as well. We will set up a dance-a-thon committee and figure out what the format will be for the day.

**6. Dr. Shymalaya Kiru-** will be here for an evening presentation on March 11<sup>th</sup>. There are other presentations set up for the months of April and May as well by other practitioners.

**7. Tree of wishes update-** Raised over \$5,000. There was great feedback and participation from all. It was a great success. Yellow brick house sent a letter and were very appreciative, they felt that there was a very positive vibe in our school from the tour they took on the day of the assembly. Tricia mentioned there are a couple of businesses in the community that would like to support us with future initiatives.

**8. Fun fair update-** Date set for Thurs. June 4<sup>th</sup> (Friday June 5<sup>th</sup> is a PA day). Heather Sally will be heading the Fun Fair. There is already a small group who have started working on this. We will decide what school council will be responsible for helping with and set up a fun fair committee.

Next meeting is April 13<sup>th</sup>, 2015