Michael Cranny School Council Minutes

December 3, 2024 – 7p.m.

Attendees: Ms. Bruno, Mr. Karailiadis, Ms. Piacentini, Celine Stavrou, Paramjit Kaur, Liya Ma

1- Previous meeting minutes approval: Nov, Dec minutes will be approved in Feb

2- Student leadership presentation:

- Identity wall
 - o Self-portraits by students, each class has a unique colour
- Book fair
- Remembrance Day: commemorated soldiers that fell in wars, from all racial backgrounds
- World kindness week: Twin Day, Pajama day, Sports Jersey day, Crayon day Cranny Gear day. Students exchanged notes of kindness and practiced self-affirmation.
- Food drive—All goes to Vaughan Food Bank
- Karaoke day
- Spirit week: coming up and will advertise
- Getting ready for Winter Break

3- Administration Report by Ms. Anna Burno

- At Feb meeting: will approve Nov, Dec meeting minutes due to current absence of Council members (for medical reasons)
- Hot lunches (Mr. Sub, Bar Burrito, Galina's BBQ, Little Caesars, Hero Burger): complaint about Bar Burrito food which always arrived cold. Good places are often also too busy for school lunches.

Possible options: DQ, Harvey's.

- Cookie/smoothie fundraising
 - o Going well in general
 - Need breaks in cookie/smoothie sales for a refreshed interest
- PRO Grant—for Student Council:
 - Proposal idea: hiring a company for mental well-being training

- Approach: Meet with candidate companies in person to vet their quality and methods, see if they can engage kids, best if they can go from class to class
- Potential plan: Sessions for students during the day and parents at night
- Alternative suggestion (Celine): a few free presenters, with food/snacks to motivate participation
- o Budget : \$800 max in grant funding, plus contribution from MCES
- o Open deadline and not first come first serve

4- Treasurer Report: None.

5- Fundraiser Options and Recap:

- Socks for souls—going well! 2 boxes full! Will extend to 3-4 days before end of semester; suggestion: to wear funny pair of socks and bring 1 pair to donate
- Movie night: Jan 2025 (30th as 31st is PA day)
- Boxed cards in Feb 2025: confirmed
- Valentine's Day cookies Feb 2025 → Cookie dough sale in March/April 2025 instead
- Music Fundraiser (Arcadia): Vishal: A 2-page plan from Arcadia, will discuss later. Funds to be raised by parents. Bring to Arcadia and they provide a discount on musical instruments. This is a plan for renew our instruments.
- New ideas: Cobs Bread: BBQ event in their parking lot MCES. To be negotiated: if MCES community were to attend, a fraction of proceedings should come back

6- Fun Fair 2025:

- June 12
- Money left from last year
- Games: Parents could contribute or create similar ones as last year
- Start reaching out to all vendors from last year
- Ice cream truck: reach out to DQ to replace previous vendor
- For ice cream and others: plan to use a colour-coded ticket system instead of cash
- Tiny Tom Donuts: will reach out ASAP

- Order picnic tables and garbage bins, same amount as last year
- Ideas for games "targeting" teachers and Principal and VP: water balloon?
- Priorities to book: DJs

7- Other businesses: None.

Meeting ended at 7:50pm

- Next meetings:
 - February 4 (virtual)
 - o April 1
 - o May 6