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School Council Meeting Minutes

Monday, October 21, 2015

7:00 pm

In attendance:

Nandy Palmer (Principal), Anders Rawlins, Adil Nashed, Kim Loftus, Jim Yang, Yusino Budi, Kenneth Wong, Sara Wong, Fiona Veeling

Regrets: Mary Massoud, Tania Fung

Meeting Norms

Anders reviewed the norms for the meeting:

- begin and end on time
- attentive listening
- mutual respect of perspectives
- items not on agenda to be discussed at the end if time allows

Review of Previous Meeting Minutes

The minutes were reviewed from the last Council Meeting on September 21, 2015 and adopted by Anders Rawlings and Adil Nashed.

Treasurer's Report

Ms Palmer provided the bank statement and the current balance is \$3,969.14.

This includes a debit of \$2,460.50 for the computer cost sharing program.

School Council Constitution:

Ms. Palmer drafted a Constitution that Council members reviewed with some minor adjustments to be made.

School Council Forum

Ms. Palmer informed Council that this event has been post-poned due to the current union climate and will be rescheduled for another time.

Teachers' Report

No report due to work-to-rule sanctions.

Principal's Report

As of Wednesday, October 28, ETFO sanctions will ramp up and no extracurricular or volunteer activities will be performed by teachers. This affects activities that were in place such as volleyball, band and martial arts.

Teachers will be at school only from 8:05 – 2:40 pm.

Performance Plus Staff continue to provide great programming for the Wee Care Café and always seeking parents and caregivers to attend. They also work closely with student

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council.

Focus for education this year are the 3 M's:

1. Mental Health - building resiliency
2. Mathematics – inquiry based math
3. Modern Learning – use of technology

Donation Fundraiser:

- Anders reported that \$365 came in through the donation request letter which was very good for our size of school and Council agreed to look at this again next year.
- Most donations were a minimum of \$30 and tax receipts will be issued from the Board.
- Anders and Adil will review the choices parents made on where to direct the funds and provide a chart for next meeting.
- \$285 was raised in Toonies to the Terry Fox Run.
- Kim reported that the Big Box of Cards company is not currently running the program and that they are looking to book for spring dates if we wish to proceed. She will look into the spring dates.
- Discussion arose around seeking other similar type fundraising ideas – ideally where something tangible is provided in exchange for a donation.
- Ms. Palmer provided a draft letter that can be taken to local businesses and community partners to request donations and/or gift in kind. Kim will coordinate with Anders, Fiona and Jim on arrangements for picking up donations where requested.

School Council T-shirts

Adil put forward the suggestion of buying t-shirts for Council members to wear when at the school or a school related event. He will obtain costs and report back at the next meeting.

Upcoming Meeting Date

Wednesday, November 25th, 2015

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.