



Mount Joy School Council Hybrid Meeting Minutes

February 6, 2024 6:30pm

#	Description	Action
1.	Attendance Staff: Harald Grammenos, Shelley Hobor Parents: Diana, Jane, Ila, Rowena, Abira, Suresh, Tutu, Sabrina	
2.	Meeting Called to Order at 6:34 pm.	
3.	Land acknowledgement Our school is part of York Region. First Nations people have been living on the land now called York Region for thousands of years. The First Nation people and the settlers who arrived here made promises to share this land. These promises are called treaties. In what we now call York Region, there are two treaties: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Treaty 13, The Toronto Treaty: Signed by the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation and the Crown• The Williams Treaties : Signed by the Mississaugas of Alderville, Curve Lake, Hiawatha, and Scugog Island and by the Chippewas of Beausoleil, Rama and Georgina Island and the Crown The Chippewas of Georgina Island are our closest First Nation community and our partners in education. Treaties teach us that all who live here should be respectful of one another. They also teach us that the land is our responsibility. All of nature, the earth, the waters, the plants, the animals are important to Indigenous people. Treaties remind us that we must care for mother earth to keep her healthy for those who will live here in the future.	
4.	Principle's Update Admin and School Updates Much happening, Recent and short term future Update: Vivian Outdoor Resource Centre (VORC) trips completed. Teachers and staff are thrilled with the winter months, weather was supportive The children had fun and, overall very successful The robotics group doing well, exciting news coming soon Movie Night Successful, a lot of survey responses. Mario Bros 48% and Elemental 52% Lots of excitement for the Lunar New Year Trips to Markham Fire and Safety continue Grade 8 BOSS info nights held in 2 sessions. Very informative. BOSS hosted theirs on Feb 1.	



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	<p>Family Day approaching</p> <p>Electronic distribution of Tern 1 reports coming.</p> <p>January was quite busy in education: reports, assessments, evaluations, communication.</p> <p>New provincial shift in the report card template. Some strands have been lifted and less tightly defined. More of a wholistic mark rather than specific strands.</p> <p>Grade 6 Science Centre trip - Feb 28</p> <p>Boys Junior volleyball are area champions</p> <p>Reach for the top. This was the first year for Mount Joy. School came in 4th</p> <p>Down Syndrome Day - March 21 Activities planned</p> <p>The council thanked for the subsidy.</p> <p>Social Media</p> <p>IG</p> <p>We have 141 followers who see student displays, work, initiatives Student enthusiasm is amazing and continues to increase The land acknowledgment will also be said in French Students lead popcorn sales on movie night as well as Popcorn Tuesdays. Students continue to volunteer every day.</p> <p>IG increasingly becoming a positive way for communication Posts are without faces of students and community members 'Like' posts instantly. IG is great for reminders i.e. Pink Shirt Day, Toonie Tuesday</p> <p>2024-2025 School Year Update</p> <p>Board and school at the beginning stages of 2024-2025 preliminary planning. Looking at student numbers and enrollment figures, staffing allocations, and support staff lines. New members of the community should be encouraged to give heads up when possible.</p>	
6.	Approval of December 2023 minutes.	Abira motions, Jane seconds.



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7.	Treasurer's Report <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Opening Balance on September 1, 2023 \$22,340.08- Balance as of January 2023: \$37,347.91- Please see the attached Treasurer's report dated February 2024	
8.	Tech Refresh Update <p>The LCD projector units are a staple of the classroom. Presently units have been replaced in the library, one grade 8 classroom, one grade 7 classroom, and two kindergarten classrooms,</p> <p>Replacements on tap are: one grade 1 classroom, one junior class etc. The board has not provided information on cost-sharing and only advised that cost-sharing will come at some point. The ones on tap currently have been deemed by Tech Crew as too expensive to fix, unsalvageable and will need to be eWasted.</p> <p>Looking for school council funding, currently cost-sharing earmarked at \$10000</p> <p>Movie Night #2 Thursday, April 11th, 2024 - Date Confirmed Disney's Wish requested</p> <p>Spring Concert in the works Kindergarten Day is in the works</p> <p>Grade 8 Grad Trip No overnight trip Looking at 2 day trips; similar to last year. One day will be closer and the other day further away. Looking at some time in June. Currently working out pricing</p> <p>Upcoming Dates 2023-2024 Meeting Dates: May 7, June 4th (tentative)</p>	

Next Meeting: March 26 2024 VIRTUAL (NO April 9 (10th Diamond Day) at 6:30 pm

Next Meeting was later revised to April 2, 2024 VIRTUAL via email.