

September 25, 2013

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Welcome and Introduction - Heather Patterson
Review and Approval of last meeting's minutes - Heather
Treasurer's Report - Susan Prizeman
School Council Executive Elections
Principal's Report - Ms. Cote
Review and Vote of Phys Ed equipment spend request - Ms. Cote/Council
Fundraising priorities -Ann Reid
Sub-committee organization - Heather
Dance-a-thon: finalize date
Other Business - all

Approval of last meeting's minutes:

Approved by Susan Prizeman.
Seconded by Ann Reid.

Treasurer's report

Opening balance of \$1582. With investment in education, curriculum night, 1st term pizza etc, estimate \$4300. Investment in education to date - \$1235, much lower than prior years.

Elections:

Co-chairs: Ann Reid and Heather Patterson

Treasurer: Susan Prizeman

Assistant Treasurer: Rebecca Plumtree

Secretary: William Valdez

Action: Heather will send last year's minutes to William.

Principal's report:

Many activities already underway: volleyball, flag football starting; Camp Muskoka being planned for grade 8's; Grade 8 grad booked for Bill Carruthers; yearbook committee, drama club and student council all in place. Terry Fox Run coming up September 26th along with St Edwards.

EQAO results being delivered September 26th to grade 4/7's. Math results not where we would like them to be – this has been a pattern over the past few years and is area of focus.

Girls On The Run program: not enough girls signed up, nor enough teacher sponsors for Fall session, however Ms. Milroy is going to try to get it up and running for the Spring 2014 session – information to follow.

-Floor hockey program will run again this year – Kelli confirmed that goggles are mandatory and will be purchased.

Action: Kelli will ensure safety goggles are purchased.

-Question: do the Kindergarten classes have sufficient outdoor toys?

Action: Kelli will check bunker in kindergarten yard to see if there are toys stored there for the children to use.

-Primary swimming lessons have been booked at Angus Glen; no skating this year.

Review and vote of Phys Ed spend request:

High need for gym equipment. Mr. Winer has submitted proposal: list of equipment including dodgeballs, scooters, basketballs, pinnies, cones, mesh bags. Total cost \$907. Approved by council. As well, one of the parents at curriculum night (Caleb's father?) said that he might be able to supply a few basketballs.

Fundraising priorities:

-Corporate donations will be focus for fundraising efforts this year.

-Question from William – his company often makes corporate donations, can Ramer Wood provide a letter that can be used to solicit corporate donations?

Action: Kelli will draft a letter and provide to William.

- Mr. Winer is holding a sub lunch to raise money for graduation.
- Magazine fundraiser starting in October. Pauline from QSP will lead kick off at assembly and will manage the program, money and prizes. Kickoff is October 10th.
- Continue to promote Mabel's Label's program.
- Consider gift card fundraising program. **Action: Michelle will look into this.**

Subcommittees:

Pizza Days:

- Action: Add request for volunteers on pizza order form**
- Action: Add mention in newsletters re need for volunteers**
- Michelle can volunteer every Tuesday
- Action: Pam will check her availability to volunteer for a few of the days**

Dance-a-thon:

- Monday February 10th
- Action: Heather will book date with vendor**

Circus Variety:

- Consider for end-of-year family event (evening/weekend). Will need to take place in gym (capacity 536)
- Action: Ann will look into this.**

Holiday bake sale:

- If we do a bake sale, needs to be healthy bake sale
- Consider selling small gift bags, glow sticks, etc instead of treats.

Needs assessment to be conducted at next staff meeting, by next council meeting (Oct 30th) Kelli will know then what the priorities are.