

R.L. Graham School Advisory Council

Meeting Minutes of Thursday, November 10, 2016

| Location | R.L. Graham Staff Room | COMMENCE: | 6:30 pm | ADJOURN: | 8:23 pm |
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| ATTENDANCE | | | | | |
| Jane Macpherson, Principal | <i>Present</i> | Lee Canavan | <i>Present</i> | | |
| Susan Dickson, Vice Principal | <i>Present</i> | Linda Peters, Teacher | <i>Present</i> | | |
| Alison Fardy, EOAA | <i>Present</i> | Maddie, Student Council Rep | <i>Present</i> | | |
| Amanda Allen | <i>Present</i> | Melanie Boland | <i>Present</i> | | |
| Amanda Hislop | <i>Sends regrets</i> | Melissa Hames | <i>Present</i> | | |
| Charlene Gunn-Hagerman | <i>Sends regrets</i> | Owyn, Student Council Rep | <i>Present</i> | | |
| Corinne D'Angelo | <i>Present</i> | Samantha Oxley | <i>Present</i> | | |
| Gerald Meade | <i>Sends regrets</i> | Sara Halk | <i>Present</i> | | |
| Ingrida Roberts | <i>Present</i> | Sharon Poulter | <i>Present</i> | | |
| Julie Harris | <i>Present</i> | Staci Bassie | <i>Present</i> | | |
| Kara Skripnikova | <i>Present</i> | Tanja Hinkkanen | <i>Present</i> | | |
| Karen Hellier | <i>Present</i> | Terence Boland | <i>Present</i> | | |

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| ITEM | DISCUSSION | REPORT BY: |
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| Approval of October minutes | <p><u>Motion to pass October minutes.</u> <u>Motioned by Ingrid, Seconded by Samantha</u> <u>Vote: All in favour. Motion carried.</u></p> <p>Introduced student council representatives: Maddie Bassie and Owyn Shank</p> | Corinne D'Angelo |

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| Student Council | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Santa Claus Parade is on November 19. Including the choir, floats for the morning of the parade, asking for lights, decorations for float, seeking parent volunteers. A parent has volunteered a trailer. No theme. Looking for hay bails, decorations, etc • Have to register for the Town, insurance for trailer. Calls for trees and decorations to provide for float. Contact Ms. D'Ambrosio and Mrs. MacLeod if you can help • Spoke about requiring sports equipment and physical education support • Food drive/train for food drive at Christmas time. • Suggesting a spirit day. Required teachers to volunteer as well. • Remembrance Day ceremony tomorrow. Student performance, starts @ 10:45 until about 11:30 in lunchroom white and red dress encouraged for students | Maddie Bassie and Owyn Shank |
| Principal Report | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mathletes, inquiring about primary program available for younger kids. Intermediates to help the younger kiddies. Booked them for next year. All Students had a good time. Looking to expand the program, speaking about another setting for those with sensory issues. 5,553 questions answered • Provincial funding for math program EQAO expansion, Alyssa Heath and Alison McKeown attended training and brought back to our school • Grade 8's have visited Keswick High School on "take your kid to work day." Spoke to students, ate from cafeteria, high school information sessions have already occurred for Bill Crothers, etc. • Course selection, "career cruising" Board wide, deadline is around mid-February. Need to know course selection because of staffing issues., • Gifted screening is about to start for grade 3. November 28 and December 2. About 90 minutes, broken up into sessions, work from booklets. Sent back to Board, assessed. Letter goes home to parent if they pass first stage. School psychologist then administers assessment. Mid February formally identified. Could potentially move to another school, many options if they qualify. • Progress reports. Coming home on November 23, indication of where student is. Learning Skills and language, math and comments if there are any area(s) of struggle (the estimate is below a "b" then the child is struggling) • Kindergarten, report cards, parents can come in and observe, provide interviews with SK parents, on Thursday evening or the next PA day. • Interview Thursday the 24 or on the 25. 15 minutes, ask parents to fill out forms to schedule interview • Green bin program, organic food waste. Board providing at no cost. Small for classrooms, large for breakfast program, staffroom, washrooms, (paper towels) Eco leaders reduce re-use recycle, slow roll out. January 2017 to commence. | Jane Macpherson & Susan Dickson |
| Treasury Report | Treasury report started out with just over \$ 23,145.16 Graduation carryover \$59.01 Funfair proceeds went to playground (\$8,063.66 raised) (\$13,063.66-total in Playground upgrade fund) | Staci Bassie |

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| New Business | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Holiday bazaar: Items to donate. Any toys, Men's section, cosmetics, DVDs and CDS, lacking men's and teenage boy stuff. To be set up like a store for the kids to purchase items at a small cost. Need crafts for dads, cups. On December 8 all day. Possibly in the lunchroom to looking for volunteers to help set up and to monitor the kiddies. Schedule for students to come down to view. Dance a thon: Cost \$1,300. Offering glow products for every twenty five dollars/two dollars worth of glow bucks. Looking to change the rewards system. Still open to discussion. <p><u>Motion to approve \$1,300 to Dance-a-thon</u> <u>Motioned by Staci. Seconded by Karen</u> <u>Vote: All in favour. Motion carried.</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fun Fair: Approx \$2,000 cost Don't have a date, bouncy castle, follow Board protocol, No allowed dunk tanks. Craft tables are allowed. Don't want big vendors issue with the Board | Kara Skripnikova and Corinne D'Angelo |
| QSP Update | 92 families participated, right now we are at \$14,239.00 in sales. 499 units of cookie dough translating into almost \$3,000 profit from cookie dough alone. Estimate above \$5,159.00 fundraising net. Suggesting to send a note thanking for support but don't bring the products back because of nut concerns | Staci Bassie |
| Motion to Adjourn | <p><u>Motion to adjourn the meeting</u> <u>Motioned by Ingrid. Seconded by Staci</u> <u>Vote: All in favour. Motion carried.</u></p> | Corinne D'Angelo |
| Next Meeting | Thursday, January 12 th , 2016 at 6:30 p.m. | |