

**Sir Wilfrid Laurier Public School**  
**School Council Meeting #03 Minutes**  
**For Monday, March 5, 2018 at 7pm in the School Library**

**Attendance:** Ken Truong, Julia Li, Joyce Allimonos, Ada Shing, Diana Yau, Juliann Ng, Sufia Khan-Hussaini, Elisa Lau, and Jerrica Lin

**Staff:** Kathryn Gravill, Deborah Joyce

Items	Minute Notes
<b>Welcome, Greetings and Thanks- Jerrica &amp; Elisa</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Approved minutes from the last meeting</li> <li>• Discussed getting the minutes out on time online for our parent community</li> </ul>
<b>Update from the School Administration - Mme. Joyce &amp; Mme. Gravill</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Shared School Improvement Plan for Student Achievement, analysed the data from parent and student surveys and worked with staff on how to improve those numbers for students and families moving forward (work in progress)</li> <li>• Spoke about the draft of a 5-year plan, and the goals that have been set out for the school by the teachers and administration after great thought;</li> <li>• The focus is to look at best practices to inform how the Ontario Curriculum is delivered, which focuses on learning being rich, relevant, authentic and engaging</li> <li>• The decisions made going forward will be filtered through these plans, such as action plans, monitoring progress, looking to see if goals are being achieved</li> <li>• Email to inform parents of the School Improvement Plan is to come</li> <li>• Discussion about speaking to the School Improvement Plan at the beginning of the next academic year, e.g. Curriculum Night in the gym before parents meet teachers</li> </ul>
<b>Treasurers Update - Joyce A.</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Joyce provided a synopsis of numbers to date with a hard copy</li> <li>• Lunch Lady brought in a \$3000 commission cheque and investment in education \$200 (as previously discussed, no letter was sent out, as there doesn't seem to be a need for it at this time)</li> <li>• Projected profit of 59K from lunches</li> <li>• Movie night's \$300 profit, because the licence for \$420 had been paid for last year</li> </ul>
<b>Status Update on School Lunches Joyce A. &amp; Elisa</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sub lunch is working well, we absorbed the cost increase</li> <li>• Pizza price has been increased to 0.50 per pizza, given minimum wage hike.</li> <li>• It was mentioned that we do not provide apples or juice to the students who order but to all students when required through the snack program.</li> </ul>

<p><b>Event Updates and Report Back</b></p> <p><b>Jerrica, Elisa &amp; Joyce A.</b></p>	<p>Movie Night – Jan. 18<sup>th</sup></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>featured Despicable Me 3, it was a successful event, the students voted for it during Parent Teacher Interview nights. It was at no charge. New license is now \$429.40 which would run us 2 school years, and we would not need to purchase screens. As this year’s movie night with the school’s new screens recently installed worked out fine, there were no complaints, families saw it as more as a community event bringing everyone together. There was consensus to purchase a new licence in the new school year. During Movie Night food was charged at cost. That was the night we tested our new provider, it worked out well, as families were able to purchase an individual sized pizza as opposed to a pizza slice. Again, Council made some money because licence was paid for. Next time, let parents know to bring in cushions, maybe give it a theme, e.g. Pajama Party! Maybe have draws? Overall it was a FUN family night at school.</li> </ul> <p>Multicultural Event –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Lunar New Year celebration was held on February 8<sup>th</sup>, it was a one-day event with a martial arts demonstration, a Lion Dance, there were activities in the library e.g., paper lantern making, red envelope making, representations of different food, cultural costumes, and students read their zodiac signs. Overall it was an educational, fun, engaging event with many hands-on activities. Through this event, we learned that we need to recruit more volunteers. ☐</li> </ul> <p>PRO (Parents Reach Out) Grant→ \$1000 Science Family Night to be held on Thursday, April 12<sup>th</sup></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Organization that we plan to hire (Logics Academy) will do different workshops. 3-4 activities over 2 hours. \$900 - \$1200/ 2 hrs. It was agreed that we will do 4 activities over two hours to accommodate 240 students in total. 4 activities in the first hour and 4 activities in the second hour with 30 kids per activity. We will need volunteers to direct traffic. The workshops cater to Grades 2-8. Each activity is 1 hr long. The event will run from 6pm -8pm. Pizza, water and snacks will be for purchase. Parents will attend and observe their child take part in the workshops.</li> <li>Kids Rock is a non-profit organization that will come to the event, free of charge (we have to provide 7 tables) they set up bugs, fossils, and rocks to be purchased, any purchases that are made are taken as a donation. The scientists are kids who volunteer with that organization.</li> </ul>
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	<p>10 Year Anniversary</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Suggestion to have the administration, staff and students do a 10-year Aerial shot, as done for the first year, other suggestions have been Paint by Numbers Canvas, a collaborative art piece, which is 3 feet by 4 feet canvas that all students paint and then could be hung on the wall.</li> <li>• Side note: there is wall space at the entrance of the school, which will most likely be covered with Welcome in many different languages.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Fun Fair</b> <b>Joyce A.</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Fun Fair will celebrate the SWL's 10-year anniversary. Although we have not charged for the FUN FAIR in the last couple of years, it was mentioned that we should consider charging for wrist bands given that it comes at quite a cost and we are trying to make it bigger and more fun each year</li> <li>• The only complaint from the Fun Fair has been that the line ups were too long, for the balloons, inflatables and the photo booth (which came at a cost last year)</li> <li>• The idea is that if we add more variety and things to do we may be able to keep the lines down.</li> <li>• Jerrica is looking into tents for Sporting Events/Meets, if we have these we may be able to use them for the Fun Fair instead of having to rent them</li> <li>• Joyce presented a vast list of options which included but were not limited to Magicians walking around... there is a hard copy with all options and pricing</li> <li>• Xmovement is also coming to the fun fair for no added cost and having their own stations for Netball and footy in the field! Side note: They'll be back at the school in April with netball or footy national Australian sport.</li> <li>• Do we want to see anything different with the Food Trucks. Maybe try to go with more traditional foods&gt; Mexican? Dumplings?</li> <li>• Last year it was Gangsta Cheese Grilled Cheese Truck, Road Grill, which included BBQ like burgers, hot dogs, veggie burgers and PEI Fries – which seemed pricey</li> <li>• Popcorn, frozen lemonade tubes, water, juice, samosas, cotton candy (pink and blue) and cupcakes with the Linx logo will also be available for purchase</li> <li>• The line up for the Ice Cream truck was very long, so maybe see if we can get two Ice Cream Trucks</li> <li>• Questioned raised again, Do we charge for the Fun Fair? and if so how much? To be discussed further with the sub committee.</li> <li>• Maybe have 10-year Anniversary swag available for purchase – t-shirts?</li> <li>• Suggestions are always welcome</li> </ul>

<b>Other Business &amp; Open Forum</b>	<p>Other Business:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The canopy providers needed a colour spec for our school colours it was decided to get it from SWL's spirit wear providers</li> </ul> <p>Open Forum:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The hygiene of the pinnies used in gym was brought up as a concern, they smell and could potentially lead to different types of illnesses, if not cleaned properly. The administration will look after and into having them cleaned.</li> <li>• Hooks for backpacks broken, safety hazard and bags are being placed on the ground. Caretaking aware and looking after it over the March Break.</li> <li>• Some children have mentioned to their parents that the washrooms are dirty. Also, the signs have been changed, probably as a practical joke, on the back of the washroom doors to suggest not to flush the toilets and perhaps these sign changes are being taken literally, as toilets are not being consistently flushed. The administration will have caretaking look into signage but does walk into washrooms periodically to check on them.</li> </ul>
<b>Closing</b>	<p>Meeting ended at 9pm</p>
<b>Outstanding Items for next meeting</b>	<p>Follow up on upcoming events, Fun Fair planning and update on pinnies, backpack hooks and washrooms.</p>
<b>Next Meeting Date:</b>	<p>Monday, April 9<sup>th</sup> , 2018 at 7pm in the School Library</p>