

Victoria Square School Council

Council Meeting No 7.

Location: VSPS Staff Room

Minutes of Meeting

Date: Wednesday, October 23, 2019

Time: 7:06 - 8:29 p.m.

Present:

Mr. Ko
 Penelope Biback
 Patty Jez
 Michelle Lee
 Trudy Tam
 Vicky Tang
 Serena Wong
 Tina Zhang

Item	Time	Description	Facilitator
1	7:06-7:08	Opening of Meeting	Patty
2	7:08-7:09	Approval of Minutes Minutes approved Minutes to be sent to Mr. Ko to upload to School Website	Patty
3	7:09-7:19	Principal's Update <i>EQAO</i> Results for VSPS available Skewed since it is a small group (i.e. student away and 1 person is approximately 6% of class) Results can be accessed via School Website and or eqao.com Website: https://eqaoweb.eqao.com/eqaoweborgprofile/profile.aspx?_Mident=9296&Lang=E PDF version: https://eqaoweb.eqao.com/eqaoweborgprofile/Download.aspx?rptType=PBS&_Mident=462820&YEAR=2019&assessmentType=3&orgType=S&nF=ToAjBPXVmRMa624CR4v2tDzDMVQAQZLj5IsI9jX3a~plus~c=&displayLanguage=E Mr. Ko noted that VSPS is doing better than board/province except for grade 6 writing (same level as board and better than province) Staff at VSPS will be looking at areas for improvement for students Focus more on attitude towards school rather than on grades within test Will also look at specific questions that students all struggled with and why (e.g. language?) <i>Youth Wellness Network</i> Will be coming to school to teach wellness/mindfulness/self-regulation to teachers/students (Youth leaders Grades 5 and up identified) Youth Wellness Leaders creating of Wellness Boxes in every classroom so they can access items if they feel they need it	Mr. Ko
4	7:19-7:22	Budget Update Number of orders for Hot Lunch (Sushi) program are up (87 participants currently)	Tina

		<p>Forecast for Hot Lunch (Sushi) based on assumption that number of participants will not increase/decrease</p> <p>Forecase for other items based on attendance last year (also will not need to pay for movie license this year)</p>	
5	7:22-7:47	<p>Fundraising Sub-Committee Update</p> <p>Subcommittee met a couple weeks ago</p> <p>Fundraising ideas:</p> <p>Big Box fundraising: 25 birthday cards - portion will go back to school (~\$10/box)</p> <p>Selling chocolate - \$3/bar over a couple of weeks with a portion going back to school (~\$30/box)</p> <p>Fun Script (fundraise through gift cards) - portion will come back to school</p> <p>Button machine (approximately \$200-300 cost) to sell buttons at school events</p> <p>Samko Miko fundraising - Fall sale we are allowed 2 weeks, and Spring/Summer allowed for 4-5 weeks</p> <p>First Aid Kit sales</p> <p>Another hot lunch</p> <p>Items to be sold at dances: pay for song to be dedicated, food items: slushies/drinks etc., black light/white shirt</p> <p>Christmas event - instead of ornaments, can make cards \$10 for 2 cards/2 christmas tags (\$5 will go to school)</p> <p>Donations</p> <p>Corporations/individuals can give money/cash and receive a tax receipt (can be done via School Cash)</p> <p>Tax receipt cannot be given for product donations</p> <p>Corporation names cannot be on products that are built within school (e.g. playground)</p> <p>Halloween Dance</p> <p>We are selling glow sticks and popcorn/chips prior to the event (small amount to be sold at the event)</p> <p>Can also be a fundraiser - Dance-a-thon style (e.g. child to ask family/friends for money to attend dance-a thon)</p> <p>Mr. Ko will send out information to school for fundraiser dance-a-thon and as a reminder to purchase glow sticks chips/popcorn</p> <p>Will maybe have \$25 gift card for top fundraisers or pizza lunch for class who raises the most</p> <p>Every grade will go in for about 45 minutes from youngest kids to oldest kids</p> <p>Penelope and Trudy stated they are available to assist on the day of the dance</p> <p>Samko Miko</p> <p>Dates to be Nov 11-24th(1st choice) or Nov 18-Dec (2nd choice) - Serena to confirm</p> <p>For in-store purchases, original receipt will be stamped and handed in to school for 10% back to school</p> <p>Online code to be given out to parents for online purchases</p>	Serena

6	7:47-7:50	<p>Hot Lunch Sub-Committee Update</p> <p>Update in Sushi Hot Lunch as Tina mentioned Booster Juice approached David to sell wraps, \$10 base price Bento offering hot lunch option (only sushi at this point) - representative to be invited to November meeting to see options Winter term lunch will be sent out late November/early December (Debbie will need to confirm)</p>	Patty
7	7:50-8:10	<p>VSPS Community Sub-Committee Update</p> <p>Holiday event will be held by Stampin' Up (offering bundles of 2 cards/2 tags for \$10) Target Date for Event: Wednesday, December 11th Location: VSPS gym with about 10 tables set up Items will be holiday-themed, simple/kid-friendly (pre-cut/punched) - during event, kids will assemble cards/tag Will need pre-registration through School Cash (also need to sign up for shifts e.g. 4-5pm, 5-6pm, 6-7pm, 7-8pm) Will need to inform parents that they must stay for event Will need assistance prior to event Deadline for sign-up will be November 25th - Trudy will double check how far ahead we need to confirm</p> <p>Movie Night</p> <p>License expires March 31st Currently available: Secret Life of Pets, Avengers, Toy Story 4, Aladdin, Spiderman, Ugly Dolls, Lion King, Angry Birds Toy Story 4 decided as movie for Movie Night Movie Night target date: Wednesday, November 20th 6:30-8:30pm Will sell pizza/chips/popcorn/juice box on School Cash ahead of time Bring your own water bottle to event Can sell VSPS water bottles for \$10 at event if needed</p>	Patty
8	8:10-8:13	<p>School Council Constitution Sub-Committee Update</p> <p>Vicky spoke about some changes, but will need to provide print out of changes for vote at next meeting Penelope spoke about section 10.2 asking if thresholds exist where multiple people might need to update and process for finance approval</p>	Penelope, Vicky
9	8:13-8:15	<p>Dress Code Sub-Committee Update</p> <p>Discussion deferred since Mr. Ko needs to get group together to discuss</p>	Mr. Ko
10	8:15-8:29	<p>Open Forum Discussion</p> <p>School Merchandise</p> <p>Water bottles in office Other items available soon by Denny Gray (in Uxbridge) for shirts, etc. Turnaround for clothing is about 3 weeks</p>	Patty

Suggestion to set up booth on PA day on November 15th for parents to see merchandise

CUPE/ETFO Union Votes

Previous CUPE discussions were provincial terms - still to be ratified

CUPE local terms to have strike vote at the end of the month

ETFO union to have strike vote at the end of the month

Any strike notices are required to be given 5 days notice

Some kindergarden children observed to be wearing t-shirts in cold weather

Teachers/supervisors do their best to encourage children to be appropriately dressed, but cannot force them

Staff will let parents know if it becomes a concern

For future fundraisers, Penelope may be able to provide produce through her parents' company

Can be considered for movie night - Penelope to provide prices

11	8:29	Adjournment	Patty
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