

## Council Minutes- January 18th, 2023

**Attendees: Tamar Swerling, Sandra Ricciardi, Pam Newman, Tanya Zigomanis, Tali Rosenthal, Sarah Limbu**

### Principals Report

- Enrollment currently at 428. Projection same number next school year. Final number will be available closer to June.
- Kindergarten registration starts Jan 20.
- French Immersion applicants all accepted between Jan 20 – Feb 4
- Dismantling Anti Black Racism policy. Board directed learning to gain more understanding.
- Mental health and well-being: Junior volleyball, intermediate basketball, art club, student government, play leaders (ways to lead games done through YR Public health). Indoor recess to lead games.
- Teachers open up gym and activities during indoor recess. Lots of activities and play leaders to guide students.
- Kids asking and taking initiatives i.e. a student wrote a note to Tamar proposing Soccer club.
  
- *FEBRUARY:*
- Black history month start from Feb and learning opportunity throughout the year. Black excellence highlighting Black Canadians as well as other figures. Focus on all aspects of important black trailblazers.
- Positive language and less oppressive imaging.
- FI team planned winter carnavales
- Dress up day, bonhomme bingo, winter themed activity day,
- Kindness week- Feb 21 (Tues). Pink shirt day-Feb 22nd. Cookies for sale on schoolcashonline. Candygram by grade 8's. **Council assistance would be great.**
- Scholastic book fair Feb 13th. **Ms Greaves would love help.**

### GRANTS

- \$750 French speaker. French immersion and Grade 4-8.
- Alicia applied and received \$10,000 through Presidents Choice.
- **PRO grant, find initiatives**

### FINANCIALS

- \$7087 for pizza
- Purchased reversible jerseys
- Board games
- Anti spam legislation: strict gov't laws school board has to stick to.

### Co- chair report

- Kindness week- painted rocks- lacks quorum to pass motion **\*need to be voted on\*** supported by principal Tamar, and Ms Ricciardi.
- \$15 for 500 rocks
- Paints to be donated

- Suggestions for painting to be done over a few weeks

### **Fundraising**

- Sold 29 boxes of cards thus far.
- Movie Night- would like to reschedule for April (notes provided in text- read by Pam)
- March- Krispy Kreme confirmed- drive thru pick up at school on a Sunday.
- April- movie night is the plan unless there are other suggestions
- February- we were going to do kindness shirts but yield not much profit so can skip and open to suggestions.
- \$50 Liana will drop off to Alicia next week for the left over popcorn sold.

### **Lunch options**

- 56 orders for subway. 10 percent profit.
- Mindful of meals with Sesame. No sesame or sesame oil.
- Ginza sushi as potential vendor for Monday.

### **Lunchtime programs**

- Monday- Chess starting
- Profit to Council from Chess
- Tuesday- coding, classes full with waitlist
- Wed/Thurs- cooking, full on both days with waitlist
- Friday- Act One, over 20 participants
- After school option only on Wednesday. Empty classroom main floor, cannot use library.

### **Finance report**

- \$2,219.18 all School Council fundraisers
- Checking to add in funds kids kitchen and Tasty Ya

### **Upcoming events**

- Lunar New Year observed as Significant days
- Outline for guest speaking in classroom for Lunar New Year- Sarah
- Science centre as potential field trip
- Scientist in the classroom, \$5000 to have at school.
- RH performing arts centre optioned

*FUNFAIR*- to be voted on

- Food trucks
- Silent auction baskets- themed
- Jessica (parent) can donate balloon animals
- Donate services are ok
- High school student volunteers for hours

- Music and DJ
- Talent show/open mic, sports day, Sports with Jay, Basketball Tournaments,
- Ask fb group for donation of services
- Art Exhibition
- Wednesday
- Tamar will send dates
- Photo Booth
- Fire truck
- Principal letter required to ask local businesses for gift cards donations
- Consensus to fine tune to Food trucks, ice cream truck, silent auction, DJ party and some sports events. Volunteers and council members help appreciated.

### **Questions**

- Indoor recess- lots of activities to choose from when indoors.

### **Other items**

-Tali spoke of Jays Care affiliate school program.

<https://www.mlb.com/bluejays/community/jays-care/affiliate-school-program/en>

### **March 1st- next meeting**

**\*highlighted in blue for council consideration and action\***