



Westminster Public School School Council Meeting Minutes Wednesday March 27th, 2019

Start at 6:30

Westminster Principal/Staff: Melissa Murray, Cheryl Einhorn, Cheryl Ebidia

Council Members present: Diana, Ellen, Brandi, Sandra,

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1. Approval of January 16th, 2019 Minutes: (*VOTE Required*)

February 20th, 2019 Meeting cancelled due to inclement weather.

Minutes approved: Ellen voted, Brandi Seconded

2. Approval of Treasurer's Report: (*VOTE Required*)

- Revenue –see handout – current balance \$2755 expecting \$3172
- Flip give has \$138 in the account
- Treasurers report approved Sandra, seconded by Diana

3. Chair's Report:

- Vitaly is no longer a part of council, he stepped down as he can no longer commit
- D;Lites orders dropped from first session to second – 32, down to 25
- Asked parents attending about hot lunches – prefer to send home made meals
- Maybe get Westminster PS thermoses for the fall

4. Principal's Report:

- Land acknowledgement
- Sharing around what other provinces are doing and the challenges they are facing
- Windows still being installed, lift was picked up Monday, installation not complete, windows flap because of plastic not removed, weather was challenging
- Have mandated students can't go on the grass during this weather as the property is permitted in summer and grass needs to grow
- On behalf of out caretakers, 1 during the day one in evening, a heavy workload during the day (2-3 hours per day to plow it out, huge amount of work), when students are in the field, mud and dirt and grass carries in) – Tarmac only recess probably throughout April
 - Brought games for kids to play, will bring back play leaders
 - Running extracurricular activities – badminton, soccer, basketball teams
 - During Lunch the gym is being used by larger groups of students
 - Library open at lunch
- Chrome books coming next week - 38
- iPads have been delivered - 6

- Means 1 to 1 for grades 5 to 8
- Ordered information for how to be safe in community and online – from Canadian Centre for child protection
- Next week we have the crime stoppers, YR Police, online safety junior and intermediate -Apr 9
- Community safety office came in Feb
- There is MOBIS – partnership between York region public health, public bus anonymous conversation about health and wellbeing – mental health, safe sex, healthy choices, wellbeing, bus pulls up outside high school, medical personnel – will be coming here to present to grade 7 and 8's to bring awareness to this service that is being offered – presenting end of April
- Are students on Edsby – not yet – older grades
 - Email Edsby to find out about issues

5. Future Council events:

- Movie Night – April 10th, last movie night intermediates did not have their parents, gear it more towards junior grades – one movie
- Add one more meeting after the fun fair in June
- Spring Fair Planning:
 - June 13, spring fair – some students were asking why it was called “spring fair”
 - Can rename to fun fair
 - Kim and Cheryl and Ms Murray have discussed – bbq vs pizza
 - One vendor that does bouncy and cotton candy – 4 schools, trying to ask about a discount
 - Council struggles to get volunteers to support the events
 - How many people need to volunteer to supervisor?
 - Grade 8's are very interested in running events, possibly high school students
 - Kids to submit proposals on what events to run at the fair
 - Reach out to different vendors to get donations – certificates
 - Fun Fair sub-committee – include everyone in the emails, try to reach out to all parents to see if we have volunteers
 - Firetruck and police officer

6. New Business

- Cards for fundraising - \$33/32 school profits from each box – we were going to do fundraising – if the boxes are missing, schools responsible for half the price – concern boxes may not come back, suggested pictures on Edsby and send home to people who would be like them once purchased through Edsby
 - All four voting members agreed – big box of birthday cards

Adjourned at 7:50 pm