



Windham Ridge Parent Advisory Council Minutes

April 1, 2014 – 7:00pm to 9:00pm

Regrets:

	Agenda Item/Discussion	Action/Vote Results
1	Welcome & Appreciations	Liz has asked how council feels about continuing with the first Tuesday of each month for our meetings this fall. Conference calling was also mentioned. ACTION item: (all) Council was asked to consider and vote on dates at our May meeting.
2	Principal's Report	Veronique and Athena share the School Plan with council In 3 breakout groups council spends time adding their input to documents, which will be reviewed and updated by school. Ice on in schoolyard has presented a real problem as students are forced into smaller areas for safety reasons. Parent support is requested.
3	Teacher's Report	Dan presented EQAO PP giving council examples and insight into process EQAO practice booklets are available online YRDSB YRDSB website homepage explains plans to rollout "Individual Pathway Plans" for students this coming school year. Students will be guided in pursuing their interests in specific fields
4	Treasurer's Report	Pizza sales were 27% lower than last term Discussion of funds that are left at end of year (if any) would be looked into. Most has been committed to programs that we run each year. ACTION item: Athena will check policy on carryover of funds (should there be any) Council would have to vote on funds for next years programs if this were the case
5	Committees	Council soliciting our parents in writing this past January for input on fundraising ideas. We received only one response regarding having a Spook-a-thon. It was discussed that parent donations already matched what this initiative many earn. Council was concerned about asking parents for anymore on top of the generous donations that already exist. Council votes all in agreement (8 votes) to continue with QSP fundraising next year Council votes all in agreement (8 votes) \$500.00 for Bear key chains due to the fact the monkey key chains were so popular with students this year QSP kick-off date of Oct. 9 th has been confirmed by Mari Action item: Vivian will send QSP code to Sandy in September to go out with our weekly school email update Karen contacted Sam at Pizza House and prices will not change this coming year Pizza start date to be Sept 24 th , forms due Sept 16th

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		<p>Our volunteer base is dwindling in numbers this time of year. We are working on You're the Chef, Lego We-do, Pizza and Lego Robotics. We need 18 volunteers to run Jump for Heart (May date)</p> <p>ACTION item: Mari – will send out school wide email blast for volunteers</p> <p>Allison Schaffer is booked for our Parent Engagement night at the school on Thurs. May 15th "Helping Adolescence Cope with Anxiety" Breakdown will be forwarded to us soon</p> <p>ACTION item: Amir will send Sandy SAVE-THE-DATE flyer for email to all parents</p>
6	New Business	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. May agenda – Teacher communication with parents 2. Cell phone policy review - ACTION item (Joanne): forward any input before next meeting 3. Pro Grant selection for next year ACTION item (Amir) will send us last years idea list ACTION item (all): ideas to vote on this next meeting