## WJ WATSON SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING

## January 13, 2025 6:00-6:55pm

## IN ATTENDANCE

 Alison Hutt, Jill Antosik, Jaclyn Kinsman, Katrine Monaghan, Kim Paas, Patricia Spear, Natalie Murrell, Gillian Cousineau, Pamela Perreira, Stacey Holliday, Derek Holliday, Shawna Burke, Lyndsey McGill, Rebecca Allport-Cohoon, Arlene Sinclair, Nikki Bellaera, Cheryl Morgan

Regrets – Valerie Cotterill, Danielle MacDonald, Jessica Oliver, Amanda Link, Valerie Vriesen, Claudia Zapater, Elisha Bozzer, Spencer Ward, Krystine Ross, Danielle Martin

## **School Updates**

- Welcome and Introduction Pamela and Gillian
- Chess Club- Mrs. Lambie will begin a chess club 2 days a week.
- A new homework club will be running in the library before school in the mornings.
- Grade 8s will have a yearbook club.
- Grade 5-8 trip to the ROC Winterfest February 13, 2025
- Watson is a math priority school, and we have access to a "YRDSB math consultant" this year.
- Watson is a literacy priority school, and we will have a literacy consultant working with the school for 4 weeks.
- Cost share opportunity available with the YRDSB for new tech, goal is to have working tech carts in all classrooms. If school council contributes \$1770.00, the board will contribute \$7080.00.
- The Clothing drive was successful.
- Student voice Lead by Ms. Sedore will help with the dance and will colour a board like they did last year.
- Bike Rack on the intermediate side needs to be replaced, this is being investigated.
- We are receiving apple donations from the Pegg orchard. As well as strawberry plants that we can try and grow indoors.

	<ul> <li>Next meeting: Meetings will usually be on the first Monday of the month. March 3, 2025, and May 5, 2025</li> </ul>
Lunches	<ul> <li>Hot lunches are still selling well, and lunches continue to generate funds to support the subsidization of field trips for all classes.</li> <li>Next block of lunches will run from February 3 - March 31-2025.</li> </ul>
Fundraising	<ul> <li>Red and White Dance – same format as last year. Will be held on February 12, 2025. Classes have selected their baskets, all items will be collected by Monday January 20, 2025.</li> <li>Prizes have been purchased, movie tickets, Canadian tire toys were donated, 2 switches, Lego, air pods, Sutton fair family pack, the pack is for a family of 5.</li> <li>School Council will provide glow bracelets and will sell chips/chocolate bar/Gatorade combo at the dance for \$5.00.</li> <li>Classes will view baskets/golden ticket prizes on February 6, 2025 and put their tickets in for a chance to win.</li> <li>Popcorn profited \$765.00.</li> </ul>
Financial Report	<ul> <li>The school council will provide \$500.00 for new game balls for the basketball teams.</li> <li>We did not receive the PC grant for school snack program.</li> <li>We did receive \$1000.00 from the Georgina Cares fund which will be put towards the school snack program.</li> <li>Dance- a-thon money will be put towards tech, playground maintenance and future accessibility efforts.</li> </ul>