

# **YORKHILL E.S. - SCHOOL COUNCIL**

**May 6, 2015**

**Minutes taken by: Lina Vaxman**

**Attendees: Nereo Bonomo, Karen Birnie, Sharon Rosenzweig, Janice Niss, Brooke Jacobs, Kim Sparks, Jennifer Lui, Alan Morris, Louise Lewis, Jennifer Stemerding, Shakufe Virani., Lavinia Corriero, Lina Vaxman, Corinne Szulansky, Morag Wright**

<b>Time</b>	<b>Item</b>	<b>Purpose</b>	<b>Responsibility</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Notes</b>
7:00	Welcome & Approval of Minutes	Review and accept the minutes of April's meeting	Alan/Kim	5	Kim and Lavinia accepted the minutes of the last council meeting. If there are any suggestions or comments about the principal's profile, please let Nereo know.
7:05	Principal's Report		Nereo	10	We continue to move forward for projections for next year – 473 students are projected for next year. This is because we are about 20 students down in grade 1's for FI. We were at 125 last year – now it's 70. The total number of students in school now is 430. We have 2 additional classes that will open up next year – grade 3 FI. We're starting to look at placements – teachers in classrooms – it can happen as late as labour day weekend. Work action – a letter was sent home yesterday. ETFO is not intending to hold a job strike – instead it would have teachers withdrawing services. Nereo and Karen are going to a meeting to find out about this. Field trips are still going on and the kindergarten evening is still going ahead. An agreement has not been reached yet between the union and the board. This is effective Monday and it's not affecting teaching. Teacher appreciation luncheon – June 25 <sup>th</sup> . If the council is planning to do it, then it would take place in the afternoon of 25 <sup>th</sup> . We will discuss this later in the meeting.

7:15	PanAm Games		Jennifer	15	<p>We are hosting food stations from 6:00 - 6:30. After that, there will be various events happening: choir, parade of flags, 1 key guest speaker, 3 different demonstration stations of sports.</p> <p>We may send out an email – if you pre-register then you'll be entered in a draw to get free tickets to the event. Olympic fencing people are coming, and maybe karate (demos). Nereo will also be a guest speaker – he trained to run in the marathon and received a medal (42km). He would like to share his experience with the students: Good Life Marathon on Sunday. Louise is volunteering at the Middle-Eastern table. Final station – PanAm tent with information (quizzing) – it will be in the back of the school if it's not too windy.</p>
7:30	Acorn fundraiser		Kim	5	<p>Due Friday – but we may need an extension. We should send a reminder to parents about extending the fundraiser to Monday.</p>
7:35	Fundraising report		Robyn	10	<p>Sharon: movie night was supposed to happen in June – everything is on hold now. June 4 conflicted with Woodland dance. It was agreed that there will not be another movie night this year.</p>
7:45	Treasurer's report		Jen	30	<p>There was a presentation of the report on the screen. We need to thank Jen for coming and learning about the reports that Morag generates so that she can come and present it to council.</p> <p>We do have a chunk of money leftover and we need to decide where we will put it. Profits, losses, credits and debits were discussed. Jen explained how accounts are set up. She asked for council to approve to merge 2 accounts (account transfer) – council approved it. It included: pizza, scientist in the school, movie night, Lego club, grad,</p>

					<p>MacMillan, Dance-a-thon, Halloween, cookie sales. Grade 8s are to receive equivalent of pizza sales (last week of every month – proceeds go to the Grade 8s (for Grad and trip). It's high because we have more students now than before. The trip costs \$122.04 per student (we are charging \$70 per student – council will subsidize the rest). We are paying for the room rental, and DJ – \$3042.56. The night includes: meal, cake, taxes, bus rehearsal, decorations, room rental, dj – expenses. This would cost \$79.35 per student. Jennifer L. – let's set a cap for the event. Can we make an amendment to this amount?</p> <p>FIRE DRILL testing</p> <p>There was a discussion about this being historical practice having such an amount dedicated to the grade 8s. Council agreed that \$3042.56 is the cap that covers the grad night and trip. Alan: we need to vote – we had 6 votes out of 8 voting members voting cap for Grade 8 grad night and trip – it was a majority – it was accepted. Students will each pay \$63.92 incl. t-shirt.</p> <p>We need to send a letter to parents regarding the price of the grad.</p>
8:15	AOB				<p>Make a list of priorities for next year.</p> <p>\$50 was allocated per class for games (for indoor recess, etc) – it will be transferred to next year.</p>

Next meeting: June 3rd @7pm – school library