

January Minutes

In attendance: Andrea Gordon, Becky Stanistic, Christine Lanos, Jenna AuCoin, Nathalie Lefreniere, Erika Roy, Richard Toomer, Rohini Dhaliwal, Saaimah Malik, Sarah Ahmed, Sui Ling Lee, Rebecca Ryan

November minutes are approved.

Introduction and welcome to new vice-principal Rebecca Ryan.

From Christine

- Report cards will not be distributed for this term due to ongoing labour relations. Teachers are still available for questions, concerns, comments from parents if necessary
- Kindergarten registration is underway
- School board is still looking for feedback regarding the winter break and the option of two board days for next school year. The survey remains available until January 26, 2020
- The first day of next school year will fall on Monday, August 31, 2020
- Public Health immunization forms have been sent home. Suspension orders will be sent home on January 30th and are scheduled to be enforced February 24th

School activities

- Intermediate intramurals are underway and Junior board games are running for the next 6 weeks
- Mme. Grenier is starting the P.A.L.S program on the yard at recess which will have older students acting as playground leaders for recess and organizing/running games for younger students
- Mrs. Fanjoy is planning a book fair for May
- Milk program will unfortunately be ending after this term ends due to ongoing labour relations
- Field trips are cancelled at this time as well

Treasurer's report

- As of January 17, 2020 the account was at \$30,621.67
- The Halloween party brought in \$1606.36 which was up from last year's total of \$1321.45
- Council approves request for two sets of indoor curling rocks.

OCASC

- Erika discusses November's OCASC meeting. The main issue was the pro-grant and that the board is seeking business proposals for how to best spend the money. Minutes from the OCASC meeting are available online
- Council holds a discussion about bridging the gap between schools that have a large parent involvement for fundraising and schools that don't. We discuss the possibility of fundraising for needier schools in the future
- Still seeking a volunteer for February's OCASC meeting.

Council updates

The previously discussed Principal profile is approved by council.

Brochure

A brochure has been made by council to hand out at fundraising events. It explains what school council is and how much of a time commitment is necessary. It will be handed out whenever possible to recruit members/volunteers. It's mentioned to have them at a table during Summerfest and possibly in the kindergarten registration packages handed out in May.

Survey

The council survey went out in December and garnered 7 responses. It's agreed to try a new survey just after Summerfest. The survey did tell us the best way to get information about school council was through the newsletter that goes out every month. It was mentioned in the survey that there would be interest in a cybersecurity workshop for middle school and there were two new volunteers recruited.

Movie Night

Held January 23, 2020 - Playing Toy Story 4

At the event there will be ice cream, popcorn, water and juice. Parents are welcome to bring a peanut-free picnic from home. The movie will be raffled off afterwards. Council asks if Christine can send an email home the morning of the movie to confirm to parents that the event is still on.

Fundraising

Purdy's

Council would keep 50% of the profit if we sell at the suggested price. Looks like the best option. As it stands, Andrea is going to get more information and bring it back for the February meeting. We will aim to get this going for Easter.

Boston Pizza

There is another Boston Pizza night coming up February 24, 2020.

Flipgive

Flipgive is currently sitting around \$400.

Summerfest

Summerfest Subcommittee is beginning to meet January 29, 2020 at 7:00pm.

Board Game Night

It's decided to put board game night on hold

Pizza

Nathalie will not be continuing in her role as pizza mom next year so council is looking to find a replacement. Nathalie would like to begin training the new pizza person in February when the new order starts. The time commitment is most time-consuming when it starts at the beginning of the year and mid-year. Weekly time commitment is around 1 hour. If anyone is interested in taking on this role or would like more information, please get in touch with council at summersideschoolcouncil@gmail.com

Next meeting will be Thursday, February 20, 2020 at 7:00pm