

MEETING MINUTES PARENT COUNCIL



DATE:

Feb. 6/2024

TIME:

6:30 pm

RECORDER

Letitia McDougall

IN ATTENDANCE

Edward Vesel, Julie Oates, Diane Sardi, Laurel Norrish, Stacey Magill, Tiffany Piccolo, Amanda Coulombe, Vincent Allen, Letitia McDougall, Gurdial Kalla, Stephenie Ryan, Lindsey Fleming, Andy Midcalf, Heidi Midcalf, Op Brar

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes from the November meeting were read and approved.

LEARNING COMMONS UPDATE

Lauren Bull (Supervisor of Library Services) provided Parent Council with a presentation on Selection and Deselection in the Learning Commons.



Erin PS Learning
Comons - _Nothing

TREASURER REPORT

The most recent budget spreadsheet was circulated and reviewed.



Council Funds Feb
6 2024.pdf

Requests brought forward:

1. Mr. Allen requested a VEX robot kit for skills competitions \$700 – **APPROVED.**
2. Ms. Coulombe requested 10 additional chrome books at a cost of \$420/each – **APPROVED.**
3. Parent Council will sponsor the cost of 1 grade 8 and 1 grade 6 student trip to Toronto and Mansfield respectively – **APPROVED**
4. Freezer replacement for servery – up to \$1500 – **APPROVED**
5. Kindergarten winter accessory drying rack \$50 - **APPROVED**

Fundraising Totals

6. Holtoms \$660
7. Holiday Cards \$1200

8. Cheese Fundraiser \$2000
9. Christmas Bazaar \$300
10. Snack Shack \$300

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Principal Amanda Coulombe and Vice Principal Vincent Allan presented their report. It included:

- Report cards to be distributed electronically Feb. 15th
- Those students with IEPs will have paper copies sent home
- Graduation Photos are scheduled for later this week with a new vendor
- Sledge Hockey fields trips happening this week for Grade 4-8 students
- Junior Volleyball Tournament is scheduled for Feb. 21st with a snack shack to be run
- Grade 8 trip is planned for the end of the year with two days spent in Toronto
 - Popcorn sales is supporting this trip
 - Dance-a-thon planned
 - Cost is ~\$500/student
- Grade 6 trip to Mansfield is scheduled for later this year
 - Candygrams sales to help lower the cost
 - Potentially chocolate bars sale in the future
 - Cost is ~\$200/student
- April 17th Basketball tournament – could potentially sell the chocolate bars at that event.

HOT LUNCH UPDATE

- Pizza lunch working well via Lunch Box
- Sub lunch orders have moved to Lunch Box as well due to complications with ordering directly via subway

FUNDRAISING

- All the ideas around the holidays were well thought out however, it was a lot of fundraising at the same time
- Discussion ensued regarding the creation of a fundraising calendar for next school year

EQAO RESULTS

- Primary – 30 grade 3 students, 23 wrote it, 7 students who did not participate receive a zero on the test
 - 4.3% are considered special needs
 - Reading – level 3 is ministry standard – 56.5%, Level 4 34.8%
 - Writing – level 3 82.6% and level 4 4/3%
 - Math – level 3 39.1% and level 4 47.8%
 - Overall grade 3 was positive results
 - 2021/22 school year – overall 31.3% (39.1% this year) at level 3 and 12.1% at level 4 (47.8% this year)
 - Board comparison – one of the higher schools (at or above board standard)
- Grade 6 – 41 students in total – 23 wrote it (56% participated); 26.1% have IEP saying they are not working at grade level

- Reading level 3 65.2%; level 4 13%
- Writing level 3 56.5%; level 4 17.4%
- Math level 3 30.4%; level 4 8.7%; level 2 47.8%; level 1 13%
- Overall grade 6 was weaker results
- Grade 3 targeted supports this year from the UGDSB – reading, math
- Remote school had only 2 people who wrote but they are not in our results; we were able to filter them out

EQUITY, DIVERSITY, AND INCLUSION COMMITTEE

Deferred

OTHER EVENTS

- Outdoor Classroom – potentially postpone completion until sewer hook-up
 - vote at the next meeting to potentially delay
- PRO Grant application was completed and submitted
- Dryer rack for the kindergarten mittens and winter accessories to help dry them out – place it in front of the vent
 - Need to ask the teachers if they would use it
 - Bring them different options
 - \$50 APPROVED

NEXT MEETING

5 March 2024 | 6:30 pm in the School Library.

Agenda items to be included:

- Outdoor Classroom deferral