



**Guelph Lake Public School
School Council Meeting Minutes - November 19th, 2020**

In attendance: Nicole Hamilton, Adam Bodium, Colette Bayani, Christy Evangelista, Krista McGregor, Kate Kleovoulos, Melissa Dale, Jay Lafave

Chair Update

- The pumpkin carving contest was a success.
- Christy and Colette attended the PIC meeting and received information on mental health resources that were then shared on the school's Facebook page.
- No fundraising, but will continue to promote Mabel's Labels, Scholastic Orders, and the Upper Grand Foundation as ways to support the school.

Principal Update

- Progress reports went home with instructions on how to book an online teacher meeting. Some teachers may move to phone calls since bandwidth is limited.
- Invested in the online reading program, Je Lis. Lecture Enfant will be phased out.
- Gradewear and Spiritwear orders went out to families. Items can be purchased through cash online. The deadline is November 27th.
- Playground in need of repairs. Trillium to repair rotting wood for free, but School Council will need to pay for the rope repair on the bridge. Jay advised that the pole at the bridge is loose, and needs to be looked at.
- Missing many library books. Mme Hamilton to confirm how many and the total dollar value lost.

Teacher's Update

- Teachers appreciate the increased consumables budget of \$200
- Positive school environment and children continue to respond well

Treasurer Report [attached]

- 2 teachers have been reimbursed for consumables, Mme Hamilton to follow-up
- The final amount of \$10,622 withdrawn to pay for kindergarten yard
- Mme Hamilton to follow up on this year's PIC deposit

Budget Approval

- \$350 to be withdrawn to cover the cost of new nylon ropes for the greenscape bridge
- \$25 to be withdrawn to cover spiritwear credit (from pumpkin carving contest)
- Maple Tree invoice to come out of school council budget, amount to be confirmed

Nutrition Program

- Melissa has been purchasing small amounts of food and dropping it off at the school
- A minimal amount of money has been spent on the nutrition program, no need to apply for grants at this time.
- Need to report on money spent on the nutrition program this school year

Events and Fundraisers

- We are able to have community events if safety protocols and are followed (ie. food drive, sock collection). Mme Hamilton looking into creative means to facilitate these initiatives.
- Will discuss virtual community events at the event and fundraising meeting in December

Outreach

- Colette and Christy to reach out to JK/SK parents to encourage them to join the school council, sign up for the school council newsletter and/or join the Facebook page
- Discussion of outreach to parents to help with funds for new library books to replace the ones that went missing while school was closed

Grade 8 Graduation

- Waiting for direction from the board

UPCOMING MEETING DATES:

- School Council: Thursday, January 27th, 6:30 PM
- Events and Fundraising: Thursday, December 17, 6:30 PM