

# Harris Mills School Council Meeting -April 11, 2023

1. Welcome and introduction by all in attendance.

2. **In person attendance:**

Jen T. Amanda, Jessica, Charlotte, Laura, Mrs. Mulhern, and Mrs. Newman

Via virtual attendance: Carly, Melissa, Vanessa, and Shane

3. March School Council Minutes were accepted by Charlotte and Jessica.

4. No treasurer update- Angie not in attendance

5. PIC Update- Jen shared that there will be a free event on April 26<sup>th</sup> providing dinner to all parents that attend. There will be 2 break-out sessions about the different roles on Parent Council, different areas where councils may have difficulties and be able to problem solve. This session is intended for different members of Parent Councils to come together to connect with another.

6. **Principal/ Teacher Update -**

Introduction by Mrs. Newman as the principal of Ecole Harris Mill until the end of the school year. Thank-you and we welcome you!

Mrs. Mulhern's update- Jump Rope for Heart was a huge success raising over \$12, 000 which is the most any school in Canada has raised.

International Pink Day is on Tuesday April 11- students to wear pink to demonstrate courage to stand up for the 2SLGBTQIA communities and for equality and acceptance for all.

May 4<sup>th</sup> - is the schools Spring Concert. Middle block (11:00) of the day will be for parents to come and watch. Parents are encouraged to bring a non-perishable food item.

Basketball at the school is coming up on Friday.

The outdoor bins are going to be looked at to see what needs to be replaced.

Agendas have been ordered for students for next year.

Dates for EQAO to be done at the school are tentatively being look at for May 27th, 28th, 29<sup>th</sup>. This may change, so stay tuned.

7. **Committee Updates-**

**Yearbook** update by Amanda - yearbooks need to be ordered by May 5<sup>th</sup> and will cost \$25.00. Students will receive them by the end of the school year.

**Snack Program**-Live Free is continuing with Lunch Programs. Jen Shaw is taking it over.

**Spirit Wear**- Sold \$1100.00 worth- School Council spoke about having an inventory of Husky wear (t-shirts, hats, and sweatshirts) so that it would be available at Open house for students (including kindergarten students) to purchase.

8. **Fundraising Update**- Family Games night- great success with a lot of people who turned out. Games are available for sign out by a parent. Parents are to email [cchandra@ugcloud.ca](mailto:cchandra@ugcloud.ca) to get the games.

**Dance-a-Thon**- happening at the school on April 21. There have been many prizes donated by families and teacher incentives. Prizes have been displayed in the showcase at the school across from the main office. All students will receive one ticket to enter for a prize. Additional tickets will be given to those students who raise money for the Dance-a-thon (1 ticket for every \$5.00 raised). The target goal for fundraising is \$7000.00. Francis the DJ has been booked in the amount of \$500.00. Other costs-\$90.00 for envelopes. A discussion around black lights being rented for approximately \$200. Vanessa was going to look further into the black light rental. A motion was passed to approve a budget for the Dance-a-thon in the amount of \$1000.00.

9. **Other business**- Spirit Wear- Rebecca- see above re: spirit wear info.

Approval of buses to be given to the Kindergarten students to attend a field trip in the same amount that was given to the other students in the school who attended River Run.

Meeting adjourned at 8:33 p.m.