

**Island Lake Parent Council Meeting  
Tuesday, May 14, 2019 @ 7PM**

**In Attendance:**

Tania Rooney (CHAIR), Charmaine Spiteri, Felicite Morgan, Brenda Kinsella, Tanya White (TEACHER ADVOCATE), Cherie McLeod, Jenny Smith, Stacey Manzerolle, Dayna Osborne, Sean Singh (PRINCIPAL), Janice Dampier (VICE PRINCIPAL), Tammy Woods, Jen Rothfuchs, Anna Michelle Smith, Natasha Reiche

**Babysitters:** Josh Soper, Zaryna Leo

**Start Time:** 7:05 p.m.

**Welcome** – Tania Rooney – Introductions of Everyone; Land Acknowledgement done by Sean

**Approval of April Minutes** – Charmaine motions to approve, Dayna seconds

**Treasurer's Report** – Brenda and Felicite

- grandpals bussing is continuing to come out to School Council General
- online carnation sales were deposited – we are still waiting to deposit cash sales
- pizza and pasta continued to be debited
- estimated pizza profit to \$15,000
- Trillium Company will be contracted to build the privacy fencing
- Motion to approve – Charmaine, Cherie to second

**Principal's Update**

1. Thank you to council for an outstanding year
  - We appreciate all of the support that the school council has given the school and wish you all the best for the summer. We hope to see everyone back next year in September
  - We are excited to see Phase 2 of the Outdoor Learning Space Completed
  - We truly enjoy working with our Council. Consistent communication and focus on our students makes our partnership closer
2. Events and Information Items:
  - The Neema Children's Choir performance was held today in the gym. Students were treated to Ugandan music, dance and drama as well as learning about the needs of children from another part of the world. We hope that our conversations as teachers and parents help our children to appreciate what we have here and not take our experiences and opportunities for granted

- Our Indigenous mural is set to go on Monday, May 27<sup>th</sup>. Michael Cywink will be working with groups of approximately 50 students in stages as they learn about the teachings of the Seven Grandfathers
  - The Grade 8 students are ready for the trip to Ottawa in June. They will go June 12 – 14<sup>th</sup>
  - Staffing Update: The staffing process continues for the months of May and June. All staffing positions are tentative until reorganization in September, if we have one.
  - EQAO Provincial Assessments are set to take place. Many thanks to Mrs. Dampier and our SERT team, Ms. Lukins and Ms. Grant for organizing the assessment. Thanks also to our many volunteers who will be coming in to assist our students and teachers. This year we have an EQAO assessor coming in to observe the administration of the test. Schools are chosen randomly and this is our year!
  - June 7 – PD Day – No School for students – Class Placements and Report Card Writing
  - Kindergarten Graduation – June 25/26
  - Grade 8 Graduation will be on June 25<sup>th</sup> @ ODSS
  - Last Day of School – June 27<sup>th</sup>
  - Island Lake is hosting the Joint Dufferin School Council Meetings and we have someone coming from IT to discuss the Upper Grand App. Island Lake is the # 1 school in Orangeville making use of the app. This is taking place on June 10<sup>th</sup>
  - Bike Rodeo is for students in Grade 2 - 8
3. Thank you and congratulations to Mrs. Dampier on her retirement in June. We have been very fortunate to have Janice's expertise and special education experience here at Island Lake. We wish her the best for this exciting new stage of her life. Janice has made a huge impact here at Island Lake and we will miss her very much

## **New Business**

### **Boston Pizza School Lunch Program Presentation**

- Tony and Victoria from Boston Pizza came to present
- have teacher lunch box options and a student lunch box option
- currently have three schools on board in Orangeville
- all materials are recyclable
- tags on the lunch identify whose it is, what student has ordered and what class they are in
- lunches are organized into classes to make distribution easy
- the school gets back 12% on all of the menu items

- menu is a la carte so students can order as much or as little as they would like (i.e., have the option to just order a side if that is what a student would want)
- have a gluten free option
- menu goes on to School Cash Online and parents can make their orders on there
- Celebrity Server Program – a group of students will come in and help to serve the food. Students would serve from 5 – 9 p.m. and your school/team will get 10% back from all sales during those times
- Need orders a day in advance
- Willing to do a trial run to see how it works out

### **Wiseones Program Request for Funds**

- Stacey Manzerolle presented
- Matches the Grade 8 students in groups with senior citizens in our community
- The seniors come in for 6 sessions and talk to the students about the course of their life from the childhood to where they are now
- Have run this program for the last few years
- Mardelle Miller and Stacey Manzerolle are now certified to run the program at any time
- Orally the kids have to sit and talk to the Wiseones as well as develop their listening skills; the writing portion of the program requires students to write letters and create a scrapbook for the seniors. This helps students go through the entire writing process; Reading portion is embedded through the editing process and media is done through the end of the year videos they create so the program encompasses all of the language program
- At the end of the 8 weeks they share the video they have created and give the seniors the scrapbooks they have created
- Seniors come for about 2 hours for each session
- Students build relationships with these seniors that extend beyond the school
- The Dufferin Museum provided a grant last year to help assist the program, however this year there was not that option. As a result, they are asking council for funds
- Request made for \$650 – approved by all in attendance
- Council has suggested that they would like to fund this program every year to keep it going – all in favour

### **Meal Days for 2019 – 2020 Year**

- Pizza has been very profitable for council this year
- Agreed Pizza will be a go again next year
- \$607/month on pasta has been made this term
- Simply Pasta is adding a penne pasta in a tomato meat sauce and another pasta option at the \$3.75 mark

- If we do Boston Pizza, will need 1 volunteer in the building to facilitate if there are any issues
- Option to have a Special Boston Pizza Day once a Month as a treat for students
- Discussed the option of doing meal days as a monthly sale so to not ask for such a large amount of money at one time

### **Welcome Back BBQ**

- BBQ will take place on September 19<sup>th</sup>
- Sobey's is confirmed – we will have the BBQ Truck
- This will also be Meet the Teacher Night
- Welcome Back BBQ Committee – Tania, Cherie, Jenny, Charmaine, Sean, Brenda, Ashley
- Simply Pasta has offered to set up tastings that night for students to try the products
- Idea to pass a flyer out at Kindergarten orientation letting families know to save the date and also to put it in the June Newsletter
- Mix and Mingle at the BBQ from 5:30 – 6:30pm, Meet the Teacher from 6:30 – 7:30 p.m.

### **Events Update**

#### **Friendship Flowers**

- sold 588 carnations this year (last year we sold almost 749)
- last year the Grade 8's took charge of it and donated the proceeds to SPCA
- having the students involved in sales seemed to promote sales more and encouraged students to participate – Stacey has offered to have the Character Crew help with this initiative last year

### **Committee Updates**

#### **By-Law Committee**

- have completed the new by-laws
- the committee is very happy with the by-laws that have been created
- this will be shared at the first Council Meeting in September and will be voted on

### **Other Business**

- **Community Garden:** needs a lot of work. The Bag to School Fundraiser (which raised \$200) and a few grants that were applied for by Nikki Hughson have been given and so in total we have about \$600 - \$700 to put towards garden improvements. The students in the port-a-pack, along with Ms. Hughson and Mr. Broderick, will be doing a refurbishment of the garden using these funds
- Wood was donated by Orangeville Building Supply

**Motion to Adjourn:** Felicite, second Brenda

**Next Meeting:** Tuesday, September 24, 2019 @ 7PM

**Meeting Adjourned:** 8:05 p.m.