

Island Lake Parent Council Meeting

Tuesday September 24, 2019 7pm

In Attendance- Tania Rooney, Cherie McLeod, Brenda Kinsella, Tammy Woods, Tanis Noll, Katrina Bishop, Jennifer Smith, Tanja Schenkel, Felicite Morgan, Charmaine Spiteri, Jacelyn Alphonso, Brian Rooney, Monica Bond, Jen Rothfuchs, Danielle Harris, Nicole Brown, Kim Soper, Natasha Reiche, Kim Shaska, Melissa White, Sean Singh, Sarah Laughton, Tanya White, Anna-Michelle Smith

Babysitters: Jenna Myatt, Aleah Leahy

Start time: 7:07pm

Welcome: Tania Rooney, Introductions, Land Acknowledgement done by Sean

Approval of May Minutes: Brenda motions to approve, second Charmaine

Treasures report: Kim

-recap of what each bank account is for

-money out for BBQ

-Motion to Approve- Felicite, second, Brenda

-Grandpals money came out

-Graduation for grade 8 was paid

-Scientists in the classroom was taken out of dance-a-thon instead of moving into other accounts

-Meal days deposit, Pizza \$16,000, Pasta to be changed on sheet as total is incorrect written as \$1900

-Allocated Kindie Bunkie, fence for outdoor classroom was completed. Trillium went above and beyond to weed gardens and clean up the gardens around during summer. Trees have been added for shade, but no other shade plan has been addressed.

- Board did not approve walking path due to draining issues, could be reassessed at a later date.

-Motion to approve, Jen second Charmaine

Principals Update:

1) Welcome appreciation to...

New students and their families

Our previous/new school council

Our school council volunteers who helped with school council free BBQ and Meet the teacher night was a huge success, we had a massive turn out and perfect weather!

2) Start to the new year

Excellent start up-very smooth transition to classes on the first day of school

Enrollment- 525 Students

Mrs Dampier is back from retirement assisting as VP temporarily

3) Reorganization & Staffing Update

No reorganization this year for ILPS

As we have a number of Long Term Occasional teachers, we will be seeing some staff turnover as the LTO teachers are applying for contract positions that have opened up due to reorganization across the board.

4) Upcoming Events; Look out for the Oct newsletter and calendar

Please check the website for current and upcoming events

Sept 27 Ministry PD Day am- Numeracy pm- Health and Safety training

Sept Intramurals- Int and Jr Soccer are already in progress

Oct 1 Picture Day

5) Parents are requested to sign up to receive emails- CASL requirements in effect

Go to School website <http://www.ugdsb.ca/islandlake/>

Scroll to the bottom of the page

Click on the button "Subscribe to email notifications"

6) International Visitors coming to ILPS

We will have 30 Chinese students and 4 Teachers visiting ILPS again this year

1 week visit- Sept 30-Oct 4th

Grade 4-6

New Business:

- Elections of Voting and Executive Members

-recap of what parent council does, what each council executive member and voting members mean. Employees of the school can not be a voting member. We had the max number of voting members put their name in, so there was not a vote. All 10 people are now voting members. Once Voting members were appointed, the election for the Executive positions took place. By acclamation, Tania remains chair, Ashley remains secretary, Brian became treasurer. Voting ballots will be used to determine who will be co-chair as Brenda and Jacelyn have both entered to be co-chair. The vote was conducted and the secret ballots were tallied by Sean and Charmaine, who then announced the elected person which was Jacelyn (who will be the co-chair). The secret ballots remained with Sean, who shredded them following the meeting.

- Voting Members: Tania, Brian, Jacelyn, Ashley, Andrea, Katrina, Kim, Brenda, Tammy, Charmaine

- Bylaws

Tania will email bylaws to voting members to hopefully be voted in the October meeting

- Meal days

Pizza will continue as weekly, Pizza Pizza has removed the free meals days from their school lunch program, Kash our pizza guy has negotiated for us to get 5 percent instead of the 10 percent it was previously. They must be used within 3 months. We could look into other pizza programs, but Pizza Pizza says they will have a program at some point next year.

Boston Pizza has too much waste and was decided against at this point (we had students previously petition against council due to too much waste considering we are an eco-school)

We need more lunch volunteers

Booster juice we don't make a good margin on, but we may do a survey to ask parents if they would want it. Smoothies from Pita Pit were the same price and size. Can we have Kathy make smoothies available to be paid monthly, instead of buying 3 months at a time. Kathy would need to be consulted first before we bring it to a vote. Tania will check with Booster juice and Pita pita and Kathy to readdress smoothies.

Can we put school cash online for Milk money? Tokens go home to parents and they give them to the kids to bring back to use

- Events

-**BBQ** recap, very successful, even with only cooking with one BBQ, we definitely need two next year. School cash online will be used next year for sign up for the BBQ. Sign up didn't work for some people who said they had signed up. Numbers in report won't be reflective of how many hotdogs/burgers due to this error.

-**Parent Information Night**- Healthy Lunches with Melanie Grime, no one had signed up at this point. Surveys will be going out to parents for suggestions with more speakers they would like to see.

-**Movie Night, OCT 25** we need volunteers, a movie still has to be chosen

-**Deck the Halls Dec 4** - Santa was booked

Volunteers for Deck the Halls- Charmaine, Jen, Nicole, Katrina, Kim, Anna-Michelle, Cherie, Monica, Natasha, Tanja, Jacelyn, Ashley, Brenda

Other Business

-Looking at installing a safe to have money safer in the office approx. \$150 plus install. Places to buy it from; Staples, amazon, and the board. Voting to spend \$300 max and when we get all the information, we will vote again if its more

Motion to cover \$300 for safe and installation, if cost is more we will vote. Motion to vote, all voted yes- Tania, Brian, Jacelyn, Tammy, Brenda, Kim, Charmaine, Katrina

-Family Transition Place- provides mental health clinics, student safety reports and they do sessions for 6-8 weeks once a week for students. Voting to go ahead with the program against this year. All voting members present voted to approve- Brian, Tania, Kim, Charmaine, Jacelyn, Katrina, Brenda, Tammy

- New jerseys for the school- once bylaws are voted on, we will decide the process of changing over to the Ospreys. Can there be fundraisers for this, for example McGregor's meats- Sean doesn't like to tax our community plus dietary restrictions, "We prefer to bring the community into connect with the school through our free events".

-Possibility of strikes here, not that the school is aware of at this time.

-Funds need to be moved to close off year.

Motion to adjourn- Kim second Brenda