

John Black Public School - School Council Minutes

Date: Thursday, November 3, 2022

Time: 6:30 pm

Location: VIRTUAL/IN PERSON

Chair: Melissa Mulligan & Carrie-Ann Nind

Treasurer: Catherine Shelton-Galdes

Secretary: Anneke McCabe

Principal: Sarah Schoettler

School Members Present: Sarah Schoettler

Council Members Present: Melissa Mulligan, Carrie-Ann Nind, Anneke McCabe (virtual), April Albano, Kerri Cavell, Cassidy Fair, Catherine Shelton-Galdes, Melissa Cornell, Tara Darroch (virtual)

Regrets: Sarah deLange, Jessica McClennan, Rami Kridli, Natalie Dorie, Luke Kordupel (not attending until January)

Minutes	Action Items
1. Welcome and Regrets	
2. Review and Approvals: November Agenda – Melissa, 2 nd Catherine October 2022 Meeting Minutes – Catherine, 2 nd Melissa Catherine made corrections to the minutes Carrie Ann made notes in the minutes. Notes and update to October minutes to follow.	<i>Carrie-Ann to amend and distribute revised minutes.</i>
3. Principal's Report Sledge hockey: Grade 7's and 8's really enjoyed it. Allowed for kids to see the accessibility of sports and to see it's within our community as well. 80% of the kids attended and enjoyed it. Highschool Transition Visits: are beginning. GCVI came to share about the IB program yesterday. All grade 8's will travel to Center Wellington to visit and see a play, and a visit to College Heights is planned as well. Identity Based Harm Reporting Tool: Our school and board website have been updated with the refreshed 'Report Bullying and/or Identity Based Harm' button (previously the Report Bullying' button). The button can be found on the right-hand side of the websites' homepage and directs users to the tool that they can use to make a report online. Student Council: Recently ran an assembly about Treaties in advance of Treaty Recognition Week to start the learning and develop understanding of Treaty Lands and their history. Book Fair: We have an upcoming Virtual Magic Pebble book fair from November 18th to the 20th. We hope to have an in-person book fair at some point in the near future.	

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<p>Remembrance Day Assembly: We are having a short Remembrance Day assembly at 11:15 on November 11th for our K-7 students and our grade 8 students will be walking to the cenotaph for the town ceremony.</p> <p>Interview Evening and PA Day: The evening of November 24th and PA day on the 25th are designated interview times for parents to sign up for an interview with their teacher. Parents can use the online booking system to book a virtual or in person interview anytime between Nov. 15th to Nov. 20th.</p> <p>Bullying Awareness and Prevention Week: is November 21-24th. We are looking into having a presenter and will be planning awareness education for that week.</p> <p>Dental Screening: JK/SK, and grades 2, 4, and 7 is on December 14th.</p> <p>John Black Showcase: Rather than doing December concert which poses challenges for parents and students to attend, we are considering doing a showcase in January. This is something that we still need to plan for but an opportunity to have families visit in the New Year.</p> <p>CUPE Labour Action: At this point in time, schools will remain open. Fortunately, our school has a contract custodian; however, maintenance workers are part of those impacted. Board messaging: We will do our best to keep schools open and provide students with safe and welcoming places to learn. While we are going to do our best, there is no way we'll be able to do everything without our valued CUPE staff.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• We are focused on the learning and well-being of our students.• We will keep our community informed through the board's website and social media.	
<p>4. Teacher Update</p> <p>Student Council - organized the intro to Treaty Recognition Week assembly</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Begin working on Clothing Swap at the end of the month• Organizing the lobby bulletin boards - How are you your best Badger? (November)• Organized John Black Badger Days for the year <p>Primary Pokemon Club with Ms. Weaver</p> <p>Clubs with Shari Roberts</p> <p>Intermediate Music Club (currently preparing to enter the CBC Music Class Competition)</p> <p>Intermediate Spring Drama Production (in early stages of rehearsal for "When the Lights Went Out")</p> <p>Gender and Sexuality Alliance (currently meeting weekly for Safe Social Space)</p>	

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<p>We have a junior chess club running on Thursdays & are starting a junior art club on Fridays this week. Also, we are finished junior soccer intramurals and the inter school tournament and will be starting junior intramural floor hockey soon.</p> <p>Grade 7 and 8 Intramural Volleyball has been running since October and will wrap up in mid-November...Participation has been huge with approximately 90 of our 150 students joining. From here, 2 school teams will be selected and do a few extra practises before an inter school tournament in December.</p>	
<p>5. School Council Business Items</p> <p>Halloween Dance Update (Fall family dance) Thursday 6-7:30 41 % primary, 40% junior, 7% intermediate</p> <p>Great night. People welcome to wear what they wanted. Not sure of profit yet, but thinking it was \$300. Water jug donation was \$270. This was not a fundraiser but a social gathering so people can get to know each other. This year, people were generous, no charge to get in, and food prices are set so they are affordable. Students had lots of fun at the dance playing for prizes! Carrie Ann shared names and success stories of students but will not be printed in the minutes due to privacy.</p> <p>SOLD: Pizza, hot dogs, chips, juice, and freezes – we could have sold more of some things, freezes sold out.</p> <p>Special thank you to Sarah S, and all the volunteers, council members, parents, John Black students, and 2 high school students.</p> <p>Suggestion from Sherri: Please provide a heads up to set up school cash online. She kindly asks and requires advance notice.</p> <p>Meal Days School cash portal closes tomorrow, Nov. 4th at midnight.</p> <p>Fall Fundraiser Ask parents to donate through school cash online (\$5-10). Possibly Nov 14-25? All money raised is helping to support our school. This year Melissa wants to share what we are fundraising for and share what fundraising money was spent on last year. Think we should share so parents know where their money is going.</p> <p>Winning class gets a frozen treat surprise! A variety of frozen treats to suit all students. Last year the whole school received a treat.</p> <p>Do we stick with cash online or both options? Council supported school cash online.</p> <p>How do we know what the needs are? Sarah S talked about how the teachers talk about and share what the needs are, explaining that the iPads are out of date, and that the teachers keep her updated about technology needs in the school. Teachers let parent council know through Sarah S what the needs are. Carrie Ann shares about when there was a need for ukuleles. Carrie Ann</p>	

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discusses how some of the money comes and school council can put money forward to support whatever area there is a need. Sarah says they try to be equitable between divisions.

6. Financial Report

Catherine shared a report. Dance did very well.

BANKING ACTIVITY			
	Income	Expense	Balance
Opening book balance June 27, 2022			\$ 4,316.15
Pizza for September '22 Open House	\$ 540.00	\$ 522.76	
Event Insurance (Covered until Oct. 31, 2023)		\$ 205.20	
Fall Family Dance	\$ 332.50	\$ 134.05	
Teacher Appreciation Day (cookies & coffee in staff room)		\$ 47.15	
Upper Grand Learning Foundation Account	\$ 2,988.63		
Gaga Ball Court directly from UGLF Account		\$ 2,988.63	
Gaga Ball Court		\$ 511.37	
Totals:	\$ 3,861.13	\$ 4,409.16	
Balance as of October 31, 2022			\$ 3,768.12

FORECASTED INCOME & EXPENSES:			
	Income	Expense	Balance
Balance as of October 31, 2022			\$ 3,768.12
Balance of JK/SK, Primary, JR & Intmed Wish lists (voted 02/2022)		\$ 497.98	
Used ski equipment (voted 02/2022)		\$ 500.00	
Gaga Ball Court (\$4000 voted 05/2022)		\$ 500.00	
Contingency Fund (Hold until needed - playground repairs etc.)		\$ 1,000.00	
Fall Family Dance	\$ 485.25	\$ 185.00	
Mabel's Labels	\$ 110.70		
Upper Grand Learning Foundation Account:			
Sled-a-Thon 2019 Fundraiser (in UGLF account)	\$ 388.00	\$ 388.00	Chromebooks
Totals:	\$ 983.95	\$ 3,070.98	
FORECASTED BALANCE			\$ 1,681.09

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<p>7. New Business (Round Table Input)</p> <p>Introducing the idea of a movie night. Discussion around licensing for the movie. Mainly Primary and Junior division. A good fundraiser that is easy. In the past it is ideal to do it leading up to a PA Day.</p> <p>PIC Parent Involvement Committee</p> <p>Parent Involvement Committee Meetings (PIC), 7pm Oct 26th (changed from Oct 24th) Nov 28th Jan 30th Feb 27th March 27th May 29th</p> <p>Virtual vs. In Person Meetings - Many prefer in person School Council meetings. In order to accommodate all, it was decided meetings would alternate between in person and virtual. Future meeting dates are:</p> <p>School Council Meetings, 6:30-7:30pm Sept 15th - in person October 6th - virtual November 3rd - in person January 12th 2023 - virtual February 9th - in person March - no meeting April 6th - virtual May 11th - in person June - social</p>	<p>Carrie Ann is going to investigate movie night, and so will Sarah S.</p>
<p>Next Meeting: January 12th 2023 – virtual, 6:30pm</p>	
<p>8. Meeting adjourned 7:47 pm</p>	