

Meeting Minutes for L'Ecole Edward Johnson School Council

October 20, 2015; 6:30-7:30 Estimated Time

Start of meeting at 6:35p

- 1) Attendance passed around. Those attending are as follows:
 - a. Amanda Gudino (Chair)
 - b. Maureen Oesch
 - c. Suzanne Semple (Treasurer)
 - d. Ellissa Lapier
 - e. Katherine Wainman Principal
 - f. Elisha Pobega
 - g. Melissa Dale
 - h. Nicole Perkins
 - i. Allison Roadknight
 - j. Domingo Bernal
 - k. Shirley-Anne Young (Secretary)
 - l. Cletus Young
 - m. Colleen McElwain
 - n. Melanie Peckford
 - o. Jill Gillis
- 2) Jill Gillis Presentation
 - a. RE: Classroom workshops
 - i. In addition to Scientists in the School and Do Re Mi
 1. Bee School – she has bee hives in her backyard and she comes in and talks about the beehives 100\$/class 1 hr 30 min interactive talk and honey tasting. – Sheets distributed for information purposes, wants to sell her honey in addition to the presentations; possibly send out an order form with her visits
 - a. Handout included and distributed to attendees
 2. Nancy Mislik – Guelph painting – Canvas Host Studios – Nancy the Painter – in classroom activity ages JK – 6, teaches abstract art; \$10 per child and brings home the painting themselves – supplies brought. Or \$5 if school supplies the materials. OR as an extra-curricular – people can sign up for nutritional breaks -\$15 / child – kids who want to be there – for 3 classes each.
 - a. Could put art in the art show
 - b. Handout included and distributed to attendees
 - b. Fundraising ideas
 - i. Lotto - \$16,000; Spent \$1200 – if we do not get any donations – spend \$5000; can sell up to \$25,000 worth of tickets; we could make up to \$12,000 approximately – hand out submitted for pricing
 1. Elisha will look into pricing options for her work to donate the materials for at cost vs the estimated \$700 (for ticket printing) – will confirm at a later meeting

2. Needs to have all the prizes decided and what we are trying to spend money on
 - i. Recommended for:
 1. Music
 2. Arts
 3. School tech
 3. **Vote for lotto: Everyone in agreeance (unanimous) – Jill will be applying for the West Jet Tickets and we will finalize what fundraisers we will do**
 4. Ellissa will look into a POPCORN fundraiser – see the value to incorporate into future events – such as holiday market or family fun night
 5. Domingo suggested to display the results of things we are trying to fund for the school, have accountability for what we are raising – have a Key Summary – see if we can professionally present to people who can potentially fund for external funding
 - a. Maureen seconded the idea to compile information; however, target moreso the parents as the funders
 - b. Established Domingo to aid in Grant writing and fundraising
 6. Fundraising Committee – created a designated committee to decide where everything will be going
 - a. Sign-up sheet distributed amongst attendees
- 3) Treasurer’s report
- a. All pizza money in
 - b. All holiday market in
 - i. Approx \$16,000 last month
 - ii. Sitting in the positive
- 4) Prinicipal’s Report
- a. Bullying prevention plan created by Amanda and students – posted on the website
 - b. Needed a volunteer to display lost and found things more frequently than just at the main events
 - c. Kick off for the QSP fundraiser --- monitoring to see if it’s worth keeping for next year
 - d. Mr. Davies – retired principal – given because we are at the size of almost qualifying for a VP present – here occasionally; limited for number of hours due to being retired, here to help due to Work to Rule; those affected:
 - i. Custodian – Work to Rule
 - ii. Office Coordinator – Work to Rule
 - iii. Teachers – Work to Rule
 - e. Calendar in progress to be updated for the website
 - i. Will aim to add PIC meetings to calendar
 - f. Cross Country – teachers gave good reports, one boy placed first in his division, 5 students placed very successful day
 - g. Pottery – to – Go – classes selected will be on the website

- h. Pizza from Dominos – potential to gain 10% money back – Dough Raising Program – Flyer given to Amanda and to be discussed at a later date
- i. During reviewing the budget, discovered that the cost for agendas were less than what was being charged; school had approximately \$700 surplus from agendas – to counter the surplus, a theatre presentation will be potentially added to the classrooms to handle this surplus – agendas next year should be a lower price to offset the cost
 - i. Looking into getting smaller or notebooks for communication
 - ii. Looking into cutting costs
- j. Bullying Prevention Nov 15-21st - applied for a \$500 grant – One Movement from younger grades to Gr. 6, very uplifting message to eliminate bullying –comes to \$750 – grant applied which will bring in \$500; remaining \$250 to be covered by School Council – **voted upon – to fund by School Council without parental donation expectations** (suggested for potentially next year to receive donation from the parents – to be discussed in June
- k. October 29 - Gr 1 Traffic Safety ; Gr. 5 Bullying; Safety Patrol Pizza Lunch
- l. Nov 20 – Movie night – Melissa will review the U2GO website and select two movies
- m. Fall Social – Tie into the Open House – have games – Start earlier, add more interactive games – Plan in June
- n. Won \$1000 for Parents Reaching Out Grant – (PRO) – Choose a speaker to do with the topic we applied for –
 - i. Maureen offering to donate her time for profession
 - 1. Make sure her line of work doesn't have a conflict of interest
 - 2. The money she will be put toward families in need or school resources etc
- o. Futureshop Technology Grant
 - i. All being used
 - ii. Only piece of equipment not being used often is the 3D printer – Maureen's son had the idea of operating the Maker Bot 3D printer at the Holiday Market to sell the items made at the kids sale table. Maureen's son can volunteer to study/operate the 3D printer to use at the holiday market for giving away items/selling
- p. Holiday Market – 3rd year in a row hosting; will continue to update information as we go, more meetings to come for further details; signs will be set up after Halloween. Currently, all tables are filled – earliest that these tables have been sold out!
- q. Canadian Tire Money – Money decided to go to sporting equipment
- r. PIC – Parent Involvement Committee – Maureen gave info – Meets once a month between the board and the school councils so that parents are aware from the board's perspective as well – she will e-mail it to everyone – talked about the French survey that Amanda e-mailed - NEXT PIC MEETING OCT 26, 6:30p – at the board office – Maureen will confirm and e-mail everyone with locations
- s. Chef a L'Ecole – will be discussed at next Meeting; Rob not there – potential culinary activity to come into the school

Meeting Closed

Departure at 7:50p