

Ken Danby

Parent Council Meeting

Sept 27, 2023

Attendees: Blair Conrad (Principal), Stacey Periard (VP), Holly Kahro-Kleppe (chair), Jennifer Kidon (Secretary) Michele Gilman (vice-chair), Angela Law (Treasurer), Courtney Nemes, Erin Robertson, Dina Dhobi, Carla Coackley, Jacob , Ryan Ridley, Lisa Ramilo

Council minutes

June meeting minutes – motion passed to approve.

Council Positions

- Confirmed: Holly (Chair); Michele G (vice chair); Angela Law (Treasurer); Jenn Kidon (Secretary)
- Next year positions – Erin R to shadow for Secretary position

Council Meeting Dates for this year (Wed & Thurs alternating): Oct 26; Nov 22; Jan 18; April 18; May 22 ; June 24 (Monday / wrap-up meeting)

Principal & VP update (Conrad & Periard)

- No student / class changes needed at year-begin
- Ms Periard provided a slide presentation of updates on year so far; UGDSB planning.
- Professional Development days – topics are made public
- Ken Danby Friday Updates – via email (updates & week ahead)
- School web site – updates & info posted here as well
- Food Drive
- Pizza days back – Thursdays; grade 8's will help with delivery
- Spirit wear & Grad wear
- Open House was in earlier September.
- Various extra curriculums are underway (e.g. safety patrol, cross country, eco club)
- New admin staff in the school

Treasury Report (Angela Law)

Bank balance: \$22,679; hold \$5800 for playground equipment; \$16,879 net.

- Council costs allocated: Halloween Dance \$1000; \$400 Cotton Candy Machine

Funding commitments/allocations to support the school, as requested by the teachers (approved) :

- Sets of set weights for measuring/science - \$80
- Kindergarten yard – Sun sail/shade cover for Kindergarten yard up to \$2000 (**TBD**)
- White boards; class sets (desk size) - \$200
- Sound system - \$730

- Money for classrooms consumables (art supplies, etc.) \$100 per teacher – Total of \$3500
- Math-based games (e.g. protractors, fraction tiles) \$400
- Guided reading strips - \$40
- Hush-ups for chairs (one set)- \$240
- Microphone/speaker for library – cost TBD

After these allocations, Treasury will be at approx. \$8295.

Council noted potential other items to support pending cost determination (October meeting – teachers / students could come with proposals):

- Stages / platforms - \$6700 – TBD
- New language curriculum items – TBD for the fall
- Licensing for learning apps/games – could be a few hundred \$.

Fundraising update & discussion

- Laura Secord / World Famous Chocolate fundraiser potential
 - o Question to provider: Can we do one box per family;
 - o Will need more volunteers to help organize/logistics
 - o Timing – end of Nov / early Dec
 - o Next meeting – Michele G will bring info update
- Other options for later consideration: Strawberry sunshine – soy wax candles; Big Box of cards

Events

Halloween dance – (Tues) Oct 31. Council would purchase some snacks, glow sticks, etc. (box up snacks for teachers to take back to classroom) \$800-1000 cost estimate.

- o Any other volunteers – reach out to Holly.

Spirit wear – need volunteers to help organize clothes/delivery. End of October?

Family Fun Night – June 13

- Unicorn Scoops – tentatively booked (Holly)
- Fo Cheezy – tentatively booked (Holly)
- Sound system plans – TBD (Ryan R could help to look into speaker/microphone system)
- Book Guelph Water Wagon (Angela L)