

Minutes

Meeting Participants:	
Dale Beech (Chair)	Maureen Battaglia (Staff)
Emily Nascimben	Courtney Bell
Andrea Reed (Treasurer)	Herolinda Salihu
David Taylor (Vice Principal)	Alison Jones
Rachel Cooper	Natasha Presley

Regrets: Indu Arora (Secretary), Karyn Torcoletti, Clare Vais (WWV), Layla El-Ayoubi, Katie Mathies, Mike Anderson (Principal)

#	Item	Who	Action/Decisions
1.	Welcome/Introductions	Dale	
2.	<p>WWV Neighbourhood Group Report</p> <p>We are Hiring! We are looking to hire someone with experience in running children's programs. Ideally the candidate will possess a degree in Early Childhood Education, or be in the schooling process. The position is part time, 2:30-5:30pm on Monday-Friday. If you have anyone in mind, please forward them my contact information - clareatwestvillage@gmail.com.</p> <p>Recreation Programs are very busy! All Play and Badminton at Mitchell Woods are going well. We've heard good feedback from parents and kids. Registration is still open if you are interested - Check our newsletter that was shared by the school for more info!</p> <p>NEW: One Club after school program has started and is going well. We are looking for high school volunteers to help with activities and to spend time with the program participants. The available shifts are Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday 3:30-5:30pm. If you know anyone who may be interested, they can contact me - clareatwestvillage@gmail.com.</p> <p>Year-Round Tax Services are available. We still have tax volunteers working - taxes can be dropped off on Wednesdays from 4-7pm at the office (portable #1 behind Westwood).</p>	Clare	

	<p>Mitchell Woods PS Food Drive - we sincerely appreciate your willingness to support our Food Program again this fall. We have volunteers ready to pick up donated food items on Friday, November 24th!</p>		
3.	<p>Treasurer Report Balance (as of November 13, 2023): \$4993.16</p> <p>Expenses:</p> <p>Lights for Graduation \$95.88</p> <p>Playground Repair \$419.23</p> <p>Halloween Movie Night Purchase \$11.27</p> <p>(Total 2022/2023 school year spending by teachers was \$8850.71. \$9000 was budgeted - \$4000 Kindergarten, \$1500 primary, \$1500 junior, \$1000 intermediate, \$500 curling, \$500 grad).</p> <p>Income:</p> <p>Lunchbox Orders Commission for June 2023 \$561.57</p> <p>Mabel's Labels Commission \$54.58</p> <p>Pending:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Any Fundscrip commissions earned after March 9th 2023 deposit • Learning Foundation Donations - \$117.51. Have to submit receipts for reimbursements. • 2022/2023 school year UGDSB Parent Involvement Grant -\$500. Receipts were submitted for May movie night expenses? 	Andrea	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Dale to F/U with Mike regarding the grant from last year - As a group we need to start thinking about what to do with the '23/24 grant. Initial thought is another movie night in the winter/spring

4.	<p>Fundraising Updates</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Flippgive - Karyn (Dale) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Much easier to use than Fundscrip - Can use it to purchase products or giftcards and at most major stores, restaurants and hotel chains - Simple to share with families who wish to contribute, giftcards are sent directly to them - no management of the program required - Not asking families to purchase anything they don't need/want, just giving them a chance to contribute on items they'd already be buying - Labels - Karyn (Dale) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Oliver's Labels is similar to Mabels, but it offers more items for purchase, including adult labels and more styles - Regardless of which provider we go with, we need to advertise and talk about the resource more - including in kindergarten packets, new student registration etc. 	All	<p>Decisions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Flippgive <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Unanimous decision to move forward - Dale to setup the account & put together a flyer for distribution - Oliver's Labels <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Unanimous decision to move forward - Karyn to setup the account and put together the announcement materials
6.	<p>Staff Report</p> <p>Intermediate:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Poinsettia fundraiser done - Gift basket fundraiser will start by end of month - River run- last week - Grade 7 vaccinations - IB info night Nov 23 - GCVI Info night Nov 28 - Skills club after school <p>Student Council</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - snacks- thank you - spirit wear update - Food Drive- Runs from Nov 13-23. Will be sending food to WWNG on the 24th if anyone can drive <p>Intermediate Sports</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Volleyball - doing skills training and open gym practice. Tryouts this week - The tournament is Dec 13 	Maureen/Kelly	

<p>Choir</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Primary, Junior and Senior Choirs will sing O Canada at the Storm Game on December 1. Tickets have been ordered and will be sent home about a week before the performance. <p>Concert</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Winter Concert will take place on Wednesday, December 20. There will be a dress rehearsal during the day and parents are welcome to come if they can't come in the evening, or if they want to watch the kindergartens (who don't perform at night). Groups performing: - Kindergartens (day time only), Smith, Abdool, and Townsend; Lawson, Brown Leigh and Osborne; Waterman and Painting; Adair and Merrick; Primary/Junior Choir; Senior Choir; Prep Band; Senior Band. - Doors will open at 5:00 for bake sale and basket raffle. Concert will start at 6:00 and be over by 7:00. Parents are asked to be responsible for their children until the concert starts, as there will be no supervision. <p>Six</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 37 students will be attending a performance of SIX in Toronto on Wednesday, November 29. <p>Remembrance Day</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Primary/Junior Choir, Senior Choir and Senior Band all performed at our school assembly on Friday. They did a great job! <p>ECOSTars</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Grade 4 students went to the University of Guelph to take part in an outdoor education experience run by staff and CELP high school students. Focus on habitats and how human impact can be used in a positive way to maintain biodiversity. <p>Guelph Storm Visit</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Nov 30- 4-8 in gym - Primaries in classes <p>Primary</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Grade 1's and 2's are having their first field trip of the year to the River Run Centre. - Grade 1's are also having a safety presentation by the Police on November 14. - Our Grade 1 Class is participating in a Gingerbread exchange. This month each student in Mrs. Smith's class will create and decorate a paper gingerbread person. We will then send one gingerbread person to 19 different classrooms throughout the province. In return, our class will receive 20 Gingerbread People from other classrooms across Ontario. We are very excited to receive mail! - Pinny club will start in the spring - after March Break - need to get the SK students 		
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	<p>to a point where they can be in the yard</p> <p>Junior</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Junior craft club is starting on November 20! - Junior volleyball intramurals starting this month <p>Book Fair</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Book fair is running from Dec 14-20 <p>Multicultural Club</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Multicultural Club (Gr. 7 & 8) is working on redoing the world map in the library to represent our current student population. As well, students have been working on creating presentations for the announcements on different holidays/celebrations. Another group within the club is working on making a display for one of the display cases on cultures. <p>Donation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Kiwanis Club of Guelph donated \$1000 worth of school supplies to our school! 		
7.	<p>Principal Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Grade 8s are not allowed to leave for lunch yet <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 7 & 8s are doing more things at school, doing a lot more mentorship - Remembrance day assembly <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Students are so well behaved. They did so well being respectful - Police presentations are coming up this year <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - All vetted by the school board - Kickoff tomorrow with community safety - Great school safety patrol group <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Police provide a thank-you lunch - Progress reports on the 16th - Gr 7 immunizations are coming up - Picture retakes are on the 30th <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Class photos will be in the spring <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Gives kids who join late a chance to get their pic with their class - New registrations have brought us back up to 500 - Remind our kids to wash their hands 	Mike	
9.	<p>Open Discussion - Other Items</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Spiritwear Closet - Alison <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Idea is to offer gently used/ pre-loved items to families who wish to participate, but are unable to buy new spirit wear - We could run a spirit wear clothing drive and Alison has offered to manage the laundering/organization etc. of this initiative 	All	<p>Action</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Alison to work on promo for spiritwear clothing drive & determine how to let families in need know what is available (sizing etc.)

	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Similar to our existing staff room closet of coats, sweaters etc. that is run by the staff.- Discussion turned to a general clothing drive for outerwear that would support WWV and the MWPS community directly <p>Food For Kids</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Question was asked about whether we work with Food for Kids<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Answer was yes, we work with a number of families to help with food security		<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Volunteer needed to run the outerwear clothing drive in December
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