

**Paisley Road School Council Meeting Minutes -
May 18, 2023**

Date: May 18, 2023

Meeting Called by: Logan Kennedy Note Taker: Annica Napier

Attendees: Kirk Runciman, Greg Routenburg, Laura Vanderveldt, Stacy Roberts-Munn, Logan Kennedy, Izabella K, Annica Napier, Heather Mayo, Lisa Van Huyse, Dana Greenlaw

Agenda Topics

Topic 1: Welcome and Greetings

Topic 2: Review of Minutes from April Meeting

- Stacy brought forth a motion to approve the minutes. Seconded by Heather. All in favour.

Topic 3: Principal's Report

1. Paisley Road PS will be hosting a JK Orientation session on Friday, June 2nd from 8:45 a.m. to 9:45 a.m. Parents will receive information regarding the Junior Kindergarten program from school staff in the gym, while our new Junior Kindergarten students play in our Kindergarten classrooms.

- Make sure we send information home to families about Family Fun Night in the Orientation package
- School Council to have a table/poster at the orientation.

2. Our Junior students will participate in the school's Track and Field meet on Tuesday, May 23 rd . The city meet will be held at the University of Guelph on June 15 th .

3. Our Grade 3 and 6 students will be participating in the EQAO assessment of Reading, Math and Writing, beginning the week of May 22 nd , for a three-week period. EQAO provided a seven-week window for students to write the assessment.

4. Mr. Woolfrey's Grade 1/2 class attended an art workshop at the Children's Art Factory on May 9 th . Thank you, School Council, for your generous financial support of this opportunity for the students.

5. On May 9 th , the Sultan's of String presented to our Kindergarten French Immersion students. This was the last group of students to receive a French presentation through the Board's French Cultural Funding. The Kindergarten students thoroughly enjoyed their energetic performance! Once again, thank you to School Council for subsidizing this opportunity for our students.

6. Our school was visited by Metrolinx, an agency with the Government of Ontario responsible for the coordination and integration of all modes of transportation in the GTA and Hamilton. The Metrolinx presentation focused on rail safety and the dangers associated with railroad crossings. A presentation was made to each division in the school.

7. A very special thank you to School Council from the PRPS staff for a wonderful Staff Appreciation Breakfast on May 12 th . The staff greatly appreciated Council's thoughtfulness and the goodies provided!

8. After a three-year hiatus Special Olympics Track and Field Day returned to the County of Wellington for its 19 th year on May 17 th , hosted at St. James Catholic High School. Paisley Road PS sent nineteen participants and peer coaches to the event. Over 600 participants of all ages and peer coaches from sixty schools competed in several track and field and adaptive events.

- JK Orientation (9:30-10:30 am) send information home to families about Family Fun Night

Topic 4: Teacher's Report

- No teachers were able to be in attendance.
- Council is aware that there are books being pulled from circulation and will need funds to help replenish. We will come back to this in the Fall.

Topic 5: Treasurer's Report

- Not a lot to discuss as we are awaiting an updated financial report.
- There was another deposit for pizza that increased the amount needing to be allocated.
- We will review final allocations at the June meeting.

Topic 6: Family Fun Night

- Everything is logistically organized! There are BBQs, tents/canopies.
- Logan will create a Signup.com event to recruit volunteers.
- Logan was in touch with an Elder (Maani Anna) who will do an opening ceremony and will help lead a drumming circle as well.
- Logan to follow up with teachers to see about setting up some sensory experiences.
- Kiddie pools will be filled with ice for the drinks.
- Food: beef hot dogs, veggie dogs, samosas, milk, juice, watermelon, bake sale in the gym (with donated treats that will be sold)
- Arts and craft: sidewalk chalk, photo wall with a backdrop, bubbles, painting mural,

- Sports and other activities: pick up soccer game, tug-of-war, other sports equipment, large lawn games, Bingo for a draw prize, Mr Huggins and Mme Kautz class painting some shoots & scores games, spin the wheel, bean bag toss (ticketed games)
- Outside vendors:
 - *Grotto* is providing a climbing wall (\$500 - that includes the local discount) Staff will come and oversee the entire time. This will be a ticketed item. Lisa to provide handstamps.
 - *Sciensational Snakessss* (Guelph-based, will set up a display for kids to come learn about snakes, hold them, etc) Cost for half-day display \$500 - but they offer a sliding scale for community groups.
 - *Guelph Tool Library* - will borrow two button-makers, we have sourced the button supplies. This will be a ticketed item.
 - *Balloon Animal* - quote for \$250 (two entertainers for two hours)
 - All vendors approved!
- COST:
 - \$1550 experiences
 - \$1500 food
- Tickets:
 - For food: pay what you can donation (will provide a suggestion)
 - \$1.00 per ticket for the ticketed games (bought indoor at the bake sale)
 - Cash for bake sale
- Other:
 - Possibility for raffle items - not able to do this year but maybe next year?

Topic 9: Other Business

- Vehicles are not allowed to drive past the Stop line in the back - even when dropping off or picking up kids from the daycare.
- Making connections with the Junction Neighbourhood Group - they can email the school email account with any info about community events and that will be shared with the students/families. Make a date to connect in the fall and have them attend a School Council Meeting.
- Next meeting will be a social/taking care of the last pieces of business, possibly at a restaurant?
- Ice Cream Sandwich Fridays - possible fundraiser for next year? Discuss in September.

Meeting Adjourned 7:55pm

Next Meeting **TUESDAY** June 20th 6:30pm in-person. Location TBD