Meeting Name:	Ponsonby Parent Council Meeting Minutes		
Date of Meeting:	September 16, 2019	Time:	6:30pm
Location:	Ponsonby School Staff Room		

## **Attendees**

Lindsay Wideman, Gina Xintavelonis, Diane Schilling, Jennifer Smith, Becky Dowling, Darcy Studer, Lisa Doering, Krista Chappell-Merchant, Rebeccah McDowell, Maryel Lane, Nancy Fisher, Alex McKay

## Meeting Called to Order at 6:32pm

Gina motioned to approved previous minutes, Krista seconded

Topic	Discussion	
Elections	<ul> <li>Gina elects Darcy as Treasurer, Krista seconded</li> <li>Krista elects Gina as council chair</li> <li>Secretary will be on a rotation basis</li> </ul>	
Budget	<ul> <li>Beth and Laurie to be removed from cheque approval – the three council members to remain on the list to approve cheques are Darcy, Gina and Lindsay</li> <li>Numbers needed for classroom budget – how many classes will receive an amount</li> <li>A request for a bus patrol incentive (\$100)</li> <li>Teachers to submit wish list for next meeting</li> <li>Plans for the budget</li> <li>Council insurance</li> <li>Books and games</li> <li>Kindergarten baskets</li> <li>Scientists in the classroom</li> <li>Classroom budgets</li> <li>School play</li> <li>And more to be added next meeting</li> </ul>	

## **Principal Report**

- Great start to the year! Did not need to reorganize this year.
- Laura White is potentially coming back after Christmas time
- Miss Ennis is LTO for Ms McPhedran
- EQAO scores are coming out publicly tomorrow and will be brought to council next month
- The school has decided this year not to put out a monthly newsletter. Instead, the most recent news and events will be posted on the Ponsonby website.
- Sept 27<sup>th</sup> first PD day. Math training in the morning and health and safety training in the afternoon for Ponsonby staff
- We will need to do some school fundraising along with council fundraising.
  - Dance-a-thon for chrome books for the school
  - Chocolate fundraiser
  - Approx \$350 each for chrome books
- Discussion about keeping school and council fundraising events the same
- Lisa to look into where Ponsonby is at for the Board tech re-fresh
- A staff meeting is happening tomorrow and the question will be posed "How many chrome books are needed"

Upcoming Events	<ul> <li>Turkey Dinner         <ul> <li>Krista is creating a team to organize the dinner this year</li> <li>It is scheduled for December 5th</li> <li>College Heights will cook 8 20lb turkeys</li> <li>Alex to ask Grace Community Church to borrow the chafing dishes</li> <li>Tables and chairs have been booked</li> <li>Discussion about inclusion surrounding the turkey dinner. Idea of not incorporating Santa or having different decorations</li> <li>Idea to get grade 5/6 music classes to put together a festive playlist</li> <li>Santa to travel around to classes after the event rather than coming to the gym. Much too chaotic last year</li> <li>Paid by school cash online</li> <li>Can College Heights do the cookie baking?</li></ul></li></ul>
Fundraising ideas	<ul> <li>Chocolate Bar – February?</li> <li>Dance-a-thon - October</li> <li>Fundscript         <ul> <li>Try to advertise that it stays open all year</li> </ul> </li> <li>Garbage Bags – Becky and Diane</li> <li>Movie Night         <ul> <li>Licence will expiry shortly</li> <li>Grade 6 to take over movie nights this year</li> </ul> </li> <li>Mabels Labels</li> <li>Fresh from the Farm</li> <li>Elmira Chicken</li> </ul>

BBQ Feedback	<ul> <li>Went well!</li> <li>Live music as an idea for this year</li> <li>Face painting was a hit (except for the location)</li> </ul>	
Council Meeting Dates	Wednesday October 16 <sup>th</sup> A Monday/Wednesday evening rotation was decided for this year	
Gina motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:32 pm		
Next Meeting: Wednesday October 16th All Welcome!		