

Ponsonby Public School Council Meeting Minutes: March 21, 2023

Date:	March 21, 2023	Location:	Ponsonby Public School Library
Attendees:	Rebeccah McDowall, Megan Primeau, Darcy Studer, Christina de Jonge, Kelley Jones, Christine Anderson, Krista Chappell-Merchant, Rebecca Morton, Adam Haramule, Sandra Baguley		
Regrets:	Lindsay Wideman, Mary-el Lane, Sarah Williams, April Blakey, Laura Burns, Kristin Kathiravelu		
Meeting began:	6:40 pm		

#	Agenda Item	Lead	To Be Accomplished	Time
1.	Approval of Minutes	Co-chairs Rebeccah & Megan	-January's meeting minutes approved.	6:40
2.	Principal Report	Kelley	<p>(1) Foundational Student Achievement Structured Literacy</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - decodable books in K, 1, 2 - sound-symbol connection in 3-6 - 40% Early Reading teacher support to begin March 27 for 12 weeks, added to Reading Tutor and Resource teacher support - Looking for volunteers to add to literacy support schedule (once-weekly block) now or in the fall. <p>Hands-On Math Supports</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - conducted a thorough inventory of math manipulatives, based on recommendations from our program department - \$1000 for math manipulatives and \$500 for coding resources would be helpful for the school <p>(2) Inspiring Life-Long Love of Learning</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Field Trips: social studies (Museum 1/2), the arts (Linamar), Empowerment Day, Grade 6 camp, whole-school outdoor trip (June 29) - School received outdoor education funding and added a little more from the school budget to be able to offset the cost of the trip by \$5 per student; at this point will cost \$30/student 	6:35

			<p>Motion to Allocate \$1650 to the end of year trip from community events to offset cost per student for end of year trip. Motioned by Darcy, 2nd Rebeccah, all in favor.</p> <p>→ Therefore, cost per student will be approximately \$20.</p> <p>Spirit Days and Assemblies: (3) Champion Health & Well Being March – Kindness March 24 (4) Ensure Equity of Access & Outcomes April - Be Yourself: how stereotypes can impact how we act/see ourselves (5) Lead through Sustainability May - Nature on our Yard - Event & Spirit Day</p> <p>Other:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Technology refresh money (part of school's budget) will purchase 10 chromebooks to update the carts. - TVs purchased by the school for each classroom came from leftover money from covid non-spenditures (school carry over \$). - Parent Equity Survey- cannot locate results, may send again. - Grade 6 celebration – consider it for Monday June 26, or the previous week in an afternoon (3pm or so) 	
3.	Treasurer's Report for 2022/23 Budget	Darcy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • spent approx. \$200 on supplies for movie night- council does not need that money back; consider it donated to the Grade 6s. The \$33 that came into our account will need to come out and go to the Grade 6 trip fund. • Spirit wear cheque incoming (approx. \$100) • Kelley – school has spent \$1500-2000 on literacy for Forest of Reading with carry-over money in the school's budget. • Students would benefit from additional literacy and numeracy instructional supplies. <p>Motion to renege on using council money for gaggaball, and rather allocate \$2000 for the school's literacy and numeracy instructional supplies (Put forth by Darcy), 2nd (Rebeccah). All in favor; motion approved.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Coding robots for math & science curriculum would be helpful for the school, as well as kindergarten light tables. 	6:45

			<p>Motion to put forth a motion to direct \$1000 from Library & Instructional Supplies to purchasing coding robots (Put forth by Megan), 2nd (Darcy). All in favor? All approved.</p>	
Carry-Over Business				
4.	Greeting Card Update	Rebecca	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$1188 made on greeting cards for school events • Get \$75 for pizza party for KA • Boxes will arrive March 22, and will be sorted Thurs March 23 (Lindsay and Christina) for pickup and sending home. 	7:30
5.	Movie Nights	Rebecca	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • April 14, 2023 • Title: Ron's' gone wrong (need physical copy) • Darcy: Motion to pay for costs of movie night from council, (2nd Megan), all approved. • Megan to make poster 	7:35
6.	Year-end BBQ June 14	Rebecca	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reserve tables from board (Kelley will ask Mardi). • Hire police to direct traffic – Christine will try and get someone. Otherwise, Mardi can place the call • Time: 5-7pm • JK orientation (tentatively June 3) to occur prior to BBQ to invite new families. Council representative at orientation will be Megan • Organize promotional material in May <p>Motion to provide \$500 from community events for end of year BBQ (put forth by Darcy). 2nd Megan. All in favor; motion approved.</p>	7:40
New Business				
7.	Scientists in the Classroom	Christina	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nature Week- Exploring Biodiversity at Ponsonby • Proposed date: May 15-19 2023 • Each class will have a 100 minute block • Will make lists of instructional supplies for council to purchase. <p>Motion to allocate \$250 for nature week</p>	7:50

			<p>(Darcy), Rebecca (2nd), all in favor.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Next steps: plan activities for each class (multiple stations), discuss with teachers about which day, Cruikshank about collecting books, and talk about butterfly unit for 12A/B and how we can work this in, recruit volunteers (will need vulnerable sector check) • Megan – promotional material (chat w Christina late April/ early May) • Kelley: will advertise volunteer opportunities in Ponsonby three 	
8.	Agenda Items for Next Meeting		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tree planting – donation green legacy trees • School garden or purchasing trees to plant • Planning for June BBQ 	
Adjournment				8:08

Next Meeting: May 16 2023