

**PEPS School Council Meeting Minutes**  
**May 6th, 2019**  
**6:30pm**  
**PEPS Library**

**In attendance:** Tricia Hebert, Tonja Upshall, Megan Endeman, Karen Lowrie, Paul Huddleston, Jackie Irwin, Crystal Gallant, Amanda MacCoubrey, Tara Dean-Whitt, Marialena Jones-Dimou

**1. Welcome and introductions:**

Amanda and Crystal chaired meeting. Meeting called to order at 6:35

**2. Land Acknowledgment:** Read by Jackie

**3. Review & Acceptance of Agenda/ Declaration of any Conflict of Interest &**

**4. Review and approval of April Minutes:** Tonja motioned to accept and Amanda seconded

**5. Treasury Update:** Refer to financial report

**6. Administration Report:** -Preparing next year's staff, two staffing layoffs; -Mental health week: Gratitude wall with activities for each grade; learning wall with rotating images including themes like diversity and inclusivity; -Hosting Neema Children's choir, a group of orphaned children visiting from Uganda; Teachers assessing math goals for this year and following year; Other activities include: Play performance of Nursery Rhymes Go To Court, Track and field, Battle of the books, Field trips, MADD presentation, EQAO, Grade 8s visit ODSS

**7. Teacher Report:** -Great feedback from teachers for scientist in school night, two extra tables were helpful, teachers still booking for classroom scientist in school; -More teachers may use their allotted \$100 now that weather warmer; -Play performance (as above); -Indigenous person to present; -SK graduation is June 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup>  
-Grade 8 graduation is June 25<sup>th</sup>, request for \$500, Crystal motioned to accept, Tara seconded

**8. Subcommittee Updates and Discussion**

- a) **Playground Subcommittee:** -Kindergarten teachers offered feedback, Evergreen will adjust drawings and provide quote
- b) **Food Days:** -Smoothies profit \$986, Pizza profit \$12,970.50, Hot lunch profit \$4496.10;  
-Pizza days new efficiency: will be processed with one check/ round rather than per week
- c) **Green Committee:** -No activities currently
- d) **Scientist & Artists in the School:** -Scientists in the School night very successful, approximately 150 attended, plan to advertise changing activities each year
- e) **Fundraising Committee:** -Vesey's fundraiser approximately \$2600 profit, 50% return, Canada Post will distribute next week, next autumn will offer different bulbs; -Mabel's Labels will open and run through the autumn, perhaps year-round
- f) **ProGrant:** -Uncertain whether it will continue; -Cannot offer same program in two consecutive years, suggestion to present HFFA Farm to Table, 'farmers [instead of scientists] in the school', include student nutrition and 'wellness', Shelburne used this program this year,

- g) **Summit Climbing:** -Remove financial commitment, looking at other options/companies
- h) **Popsicle Playdate:** -Request \$50 for popsicles, Tara motioned to accept, Carol seconded

#### 9. New Business

- a) **Year end financial commitments:** -Request for \$50/ class, \$300 total for SK graduation, Crystal motioned to accept, Amanda seconded;
  - Secretaries end of year thank you gift, \$50 gift card, Tara motioned to accept, Tricia seconded;
  - Request for \$500 for Breakfast club, Amanda motioned to accept, Tonja seconded
- b) **Executive election 2019/20:** -First meeting of 2019-20 to be more descriptive of roles and more like regular meetings, then hold a separate meeting to vote; -Suggestion for meetings to take place on Thursdays rather than Mondays, Thursday is the same day as Parkinson's meetings and some council members would not be able to attend; -Note that will definitely require new treasurer in 2019-20; -Tricia may be able to continue with school/community garden, teacher(s) interested in class learning in garden, maximum 25% of garden allocated to school, the rest has to be for community, need to determine how many plots, will not charge for plots; -School Playdate June 19<sup>th</sup>, raindate 20<sup>th</sup>, Lunches Made Easy wants to donate freezies, approx. 565

- 10. **Confirm date for September meeting & Adjournment:** -Next meeting September 12<sup>th</sup> 6:30pm; -Meeting adjourned 7:22pm