Minutes

Billy Green School Council

Date | time January 18, 2018 6:30PM | Meeting called to order by Jordan Hageman

# In Attendance

Jordan Hageman, Trish Gibson, Ross Gibson, Sherry Beduk, Brandon Berketa, Jessica Gibson, Derek Cherriere, Lucille Radcliffe, Jacquie, Grace, Jeff Beattie

# Approval of Minutes

Approved and Seconded

Welcome to:

HWDSB Trustee, Jeff Beattie;

Jacquie and Grace of Ontario Early Years Centres (Community Reps)

# Principal’s Report: Mr. Berketa

**Staffing Update:**

* Mrs. Tennant extended Maternity; Mrs. Montecalvo will remain in her position until end of June 2018
* Mrs. MacDiarmid has returned to retirement, Mrs. Millen is returning from retirement as our new Vice Principal, working ½ time – every other day
* Head Caretaker Ken Boyle has transferred to Adelaide Hoodless; awaiting new Head Caretaker (January 28) Evening Caretaker, John Walker filling role in the interim
* EA Cindy McEneny retired Jan. 12, position will be posted and filled after March Break, LTO to fill vacancy until then
* Welcome to Billy Green Staff: EA Jacqueline Parker, permanent ½ afternoons Mrs. Rusan’s class (previously LTO)

**School Improvements and Renovations:**

* 3 classroom renovations scheduled to begin summer 2018, subject specific (music, art, science) but will be equipped for homeroom classes
* Gymnasium to be demolished and rebuilt to almost double the size. Renovations to include stage, spectator seating, changeroom redesign, access for students in portables, additional washroom facilities (support growing population). Time frame uncertain, likely begin 2018/19 school year. In the interim phys-ed outdoors during fair weather, a portable will be used for inclement weather

# Teachers’ Report: Derek Cherriere

* Mme. Volpe and M. Livingston holding Mardi Gras Pancake Lunch for entire school February 13, in the gym. Each student to receive 2 pancakes and a juice box. They are need of utensils, plates, pancake mix, condiments, juice boxes and volunteers
* Mr. Cherriere provided Technology “Wish List” for Billy Green. What do you need to support student achievement? Master Plan revisited, there will be no investment in technology this school year. Wait for 2018/19 school year? Trish to pursue reduced priced items for wish list with Best Buy?

# Treasurer Report: Lucille Radcliffe

Budget reflects Winter Market income, Fundscript, basket and pizza party purchases. Other expenses will be reflected at next minute

# Fundraising Report: Trish Gibson

* Winter Market very successful, approximate profit $2,100; over 200 visitors, couple vendors sold out, Sarah got positive feedback and comments from vendors;
* Walk for Billy Green top fundraising classes held their Pizza parties the last week before Christmas break
* $100 profit from sales of Kernels Popcorn so far
* Offer party sized popcorn bags to classes as a good will gesture?

Motion to offer free popcorn day to classes was made by Trish Gibson. Quorum established, all present voted in favour. Motion carried.

* Trying Fundscript again in Spring

# Ongoing Business

**Playground Update: Jordan**

* Bienenstock have come up with concept plan
* $360,000 total cost; work will be done in stages as funds come in; Bienenstock is very accommodating
* Project manager will advise when drawings can be shared
* How to combine Council’s plans with Board’s plans for playfield improvements, we need better idea of funds from trusts
* In order to apply to grant we must finalize numbers and provide a detailed breakdown of costs
* FDK: expanding current outdoor space; Bear Den, Sand Pit, outdoor classroom, education cabinets, planting trees, musical area (pleasing sounds), everything is accessible: working with childhood development specialists
* This plan is consistent with other elementary schools in area
* Gym rebuild will slow process for project behind school, FDK space not affected
* Ross: is the plan equitable? 2/3 of cost on FDK area VS 1/3 spent on the rest of BG population, consider removing 1-2 items from FDK plan? Revisit with Bienenstock to plan additions for rear of school

**Pro Grant Update: Sherry**

* Two Dates: May 2 and May 15
* Tools for Life through Hamilton Health Sciences
* May 15 – pick a workshop
* Childcare and food provided
* When to start registration? After March Break
* Offer honorarium in lieu of speaker fee?
* Need quotes for childcare – work with YMCA (cost?)
* Some details to be worked out (dates/food/how to access funds)

# New Business

* Love of Reading Grant, Mrs. Miller-Boyes pursuing, looking for assistance, deadline February 16.
* Jacquie and Grace - Ontario Early Years Centres

OEYC being rebranded across city as Early ON Child and Family Centres

What’s meeting the needs of families and what isn’t?

Majority of changes taking place after June 2018

Changes happening slowly

Current services and locations continuing through until June 2018

**Next Meeting:**

February 22, 2018 6:30PM, School Library

Meeting Adjourned