

**Green Acres School Council Minutes**  
**November 20, 2017**

Attendance: Ms. Gasparik, Ms. Church, Ms. Vanstone, Ms. Corrigan, Ms. Robillard, Ms. Babbey  
Regrets: Ms. Nalsok, Ms. Capstick

1. Conflict of interest - none declared.
2. Minutes - approval with the addition of the spirit wear follow up and information from Madame Woods. Approved - motioned by Ms. Church; seconded by Ms. Vanstone.
3. Collegiate Rebuild Update - at the HWDSB council meeting all motions were defeated (for HWDSB to add the additional money to pay for a rebuild; for the HWDSB to re-approach the Ministry of Education for a rebuild; and for the HWDSB to go ahead with the addition). Therefore, no outcome has been decided. The trustees have asked for the HWDSB to do more research on all of the three defeated motions and return to the Finance Committee with the information. The board estimated that this would not be ready until some time near March 2018. Ms. Church and Ms. Vanstone also attended the Old Towne Stoney Creek community meeting as this organization is also advocating for a rebuild vs. an addition on the Collegiate site.

ACTION: Ms. Babbey will connect with the other school councils in January to set up a meeting. After this meeting the community may consider putting an article in the Stoney Creek News.

4. Fundraisers - a) The Indigo fundraiser is this Wednesday (Nov 22, 2017). Ms. Church will bring her piano, karaoke, and amp in case anyone wants to perform. Ms. Church will call first thing tomorrow for refreshments, but if not organized won't worry about it. There are raffle prizes (Denningers, Michael's, and at least three other kids crafty things). Ms. Capstick has everything for raffles. Ms. Church has the Green Acres Sign. Ms. Church sent an email today about tables to Indigo. Ms. Corrigan has the pens from the cupboard, cups, and tablecloths if needed. Council would like to post pictures of the raffle prizes on the facebook site. Can start set up at 5p.m.

ACTION: Ms. Babbey will post the pictures to facebook of the raffle prizes.

b) Pizza Days - Ms. Robillard reported that it was well organized, pizza pizza didn't send enough plates. Ms. Corrigan reported that it was a success. Next Pizza day is December 8, 2017. The pizza day committee may decide to send out the order forms again. There were lots of parent volunteers. Very few people used cash online.

ACTION: Ms. Nalok will follow up with Pizza Pizza about sending enough plates.

Will need to clarify the profit at the next meeting.

c) Spirit Wear - Ms. Robillard sent out the contact for spirit wear. Council would like to aim for people to have the order forms before March Break. Let's invite the representative to our January meeting or at least get price list and samples.

ACTION: Ms. Corrigan will invite the representative to the January meeting and if unable to attend will at least get a price list and some samples.

5. Treasurer's report - made \$236.50 at Meet the Teacher, the past pizza day made around \$110 with the first block of orders. In debt \$60.00 for the end of year trip. Will need to clarify this.

ACTION: will have Ms. Nalsok clarify the treasurer's report at the next meeting.

6. Winter Concert - Friday, December 15, 2017, there will not be a nighttime concert. Because a lot of children in the daytime concert did not return for the evening last year, it was decided that only a day time concert would be organized. The school council expressed their disappointment that there is no evening portion as parents cannot come during the day due to work commitments.

ACTION: Ms. Robillard will express the parent disappointment at the next staff meeting.

7. Principal's report - Ms. Gasparik

- a) Mr. Lawrence (daytime custodian) has accepted a different position at a different school. He will definitely be missed.
- b) Math P.D. Planning - Grade 3-6 Teachers were released on October 26<sup>th</sup> to work with Brooke Kauth our Math Facilitator in reviewing some Math Data using EQAO Student Individual Reports to identify student needs, in terms of gaps/ skills that our students are struggling with. Teachers have identified Quantity Relationships that student have struggle

Eg: Grade 3 under Number Sense & Numeration

By the end of Grade 3 students will represent , compare and order whole numbers to a 1000, using a variety of tools ( base ten materials or drawings of them, number lines of increments of 100 or appropriate amounts

Before students can get to that they need to know what a 1000 is, really understand that 1000 can be represented by  $10 - 100$  times, or  $500 + 500$ ,

HWDSB – Renewed Math Strategy will focus on Quantity Relationships connect with Understanding Math Concepts (the foundations) and Operational Sense connect with student is proficient Facts, Skills and Procedures, and Engages in Mathematical Process is the action of Doing Math

PD Session Today - Mrs. Cave & Mr. Kirkelos and Ms. Gasparik took part in Math PD Session with other schools at HWDSB - Review of what is On-Going Formative Assessment, Introduction to the Resource Elementary and Middle School Mathematics, Doing Some Math & Creating a Framework for the PD Day on December 1<sup>s</sup>

c) K-1 PD Planning - Kindergarten Team was released to work with Reading Intervention Teacher & Speech and Language Pathologist to gain a better understanding Early Literacy in Kindergarten. Learning the Alphabetic Principle (Rainbow Chart) that teachers identify what stage their students are and learning about resources to help their students.

Grade 1 will be released November 27<sup>th</sup>, to look at student data, where are their students on Alphabetic Principle (Rainbow Chart) and identify how to address the student need through their comprehensive literacy program.

d) Anti-Bullying Week - PSC Team - # Choose Kind – Grades 4-8 using the book Wonder, reading it to their class, using the quotes and discussions happening, K-3 Bucket Filling – working

e) Upcoming Boundary Review Meetings - Letters went home last week regarding Upcoming Boundary Review Meetings for Lake Avenue and Green Acres.  
Advisory Committee Meeting is November 30<sup>th</sup>, 6:00 -8:00  
Public Consultation Meeting December 14<sup>th</sup>, 6:00-8:00  
Both Meetings at Green Acres  
Thank-you to Erika Church who will sit on the Advisory Committee

f) Secondary School Information:  
Grade 7 & 8 Secondary School Information Night – Orchard Park November 23<sup>rd</sup> 6:30 -8:30,  
more information can be found on Orchard Park Website

#### 8. Teacher's report - Ms. Robillard

- Anti-bullying week will include using the book Wonder and Bucket Filling. Students will have a display completed in the hall regarding what they have learned including #choosekind.
- Public health vaccinations are scheduled for the grade 7's.
- There will be a presentation by Alectra on safety and electricity.
- Student Leadership will be starting their annual holiday food drive.
- The Orchard Park band is coming to Green Acres to perform for the students.

Next meeting: Monday, January 15, 2018 at 6p.m. in the staff room.

All are welcome.



