

James MacDonald Elementary School Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

Date: Wednesday, March 8, 2017 – 6:30 PM

Location: Learning Commons

Adminstration: Gregg Williamson (Principal)

Teacher Representative: Mrs. Vernon

School Council Co-Chairs: Lori Cherwaty and Teresa Sanges

Present: Shane Anderson, Stephanie Lostanaw-Levin, Brenda Millar, Breanne Sim, Melinda Micsko, Jeff Brinson, Stephanie Hurley, Doug Sim

Item	Description	ACTION	
1.	Welcome and Introductions		
2.	Review of Agenda and approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting Motion to Approve: Lori Second: Stephanie L CARRIED		
3.	Review of Treasurers report and Approval See attached report. Motion to Approve: Mr. Sim Second: Mr. Anderson CARRIED		
4.	Old Business <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lunch program – small glitch but it is being sorted out. • Milk Program – this week was missed. Communicate the rescheduled days rather than refunding everyone. Discussion about next year...how to organize orders. • Family survey – 16 responses. Discussion about the results. • Bylaws – to be revisited after Mr. Williamson looks for details about who can work on revisions. i.e. Does it have to be a current school council member? • Grant – Ideas – literacy, parent’s night out (math/literacy theme, community partners, learning fair – late May...invite umbrella, new JK parents) • Gift card fundraiser – very easy to arrange. 8% to the school. Each card has a different percentage of return. Order online. Defer until next year. • Art Crawl – Idea - family appreciation evening. Display the student’s art. Snacks, fundraisers available (lollipops, pencils, etc.) Combine with open house??? 	Communicate rescheduled dates for the milk that was missed this week. Mr. and Mrs. Sim volunteered to organize	

5.	<p>New Business</p> <p>No new business</p>		
6.	<p>James Macdonald School Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Principal's Report <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 318 students (some families have moved) • Staffing is beginning – projections on numbers for each grade. The thought is that the numbers will go up. Boundary area is seeing a lot of growth. • P.A. Day – lots of thinking and learning. Daily physical activity. Moving theory to practice. Teachers came up with ideas about how they will promote kindness. PM was all math. How to think deeply about math. • Coding Club – big success • Post Office - \$250+ raised for Sick Kids • Empower Room is now functional. Used for parent meetings as well. • Audio/Visual – tender going out • Kindness Project- Jr. Student Council involved in promoting kindness and having a creative outlet. They will be presenting at the March Assembly. Mr. Williamson will see if this is something that we can tie into an Art Crawl (videos and displays). • Randy from Gourley Park advised us that there is a local store that is looking to take on a Nevada School. Council agreed for Mr. Williamson to follow up and provide more details. • Moved by Lori Cherwaty, Seconded by Brenda Millar. • Teachers Report <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • March 31st 11:10 – assembly on inclusivity. Classes are designing projects and will be presented at the assembly. The students will wear colours that are commonly associated with certain disabilities. • Subsidize 1 Bus for ChoirFest – Motion to cover the cost of the bus for up to \$300 from Nevada (if possible), Pizza as a second option. Moved by Mr. Sim, Second by Lori. <p>CARRIED</p>		
10.	<p>Meeting Adjournment</p> <p>Motion to Adjourn: Mr. Sim Second: Mr. Anderson CARRIED</p>		

Next Meeting: Wednesday April 5, 2017 at 6:30 pm



**Hamilton-Wentworth District School Board
SCHOOL COUNCIL FINANCIAL REPORT
For the School Year Ending August 31, 2017**

Category	Opening Balance	Revenue	Expenditures	Ending Balance
Nevada	4,919.96	895.52	144.08	5,671.40
Raffle	\$ 1,048.03	\$ -	\$ -	1,048.03
Pitas	\$ 1,249.33	\$ -	\$ -	1,249.33
Pizza	\$ 10,725.89	\$ 184.00	\$ 718.68	10,191.21
Popcorn	\$ 844.01	\$ -		844.01
Vessy Fundraising	\$ 1,711.50	\$ -	\$ 1,532.40	179.10
Milk	\$ 942.68	\$ 2,283.00	\$ 490.53	2,735.15
Healthy Hunger	\$ 126.95	\$ 95.50		222.45
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Total	\$ 21,568.35	\$ 3,458.02	\$ 2,885.69	\$ 22,140.68

estimated expenses

Electrical for Water Station

Items Still to be Purchased from School Council Fundraising Proceeds

Vessy Funds have been allotted to the water station installation and maintenance	179.10	
Cross Country Bus	paid	\$257.26
\$10 per child subsidy (327 students)		\$3,270 to be taken from the Pita and Popcorn lines and then the Pizza
Osmo Kits		\$350 Nevada Funds
Healthy Snacks		\$100 Pizza Funds
Coding Material		\$500 Nevada Funds
	Spent	\$4,399
Available Funds		\$ 17,741.58