



École Élémentaire Michaëlle Jean

School Council Meeting Minutes

January 20, 2014

Members Present: Vanessa Aguirre, Sherie Eastbury, Alexis Flett, Keith Fralick, Shannon Fralick, Phil Ieluzzi, Joanna Maull, Sharon Metcalfe, Stu Metcalfe, Danielle Miller, Adrienne Osfolk, Judy Rickey, Mary Scime

Regrets: Roxanne Belanger, Sabina Manning, Laura Santaguida, Shelly Upson, Shannen Brick

Agenda Item	Discussion/Action Taken	Person(s) Responsible
Welcome & Attendance	P. Ieluzzi welcomed everyone. The meeting was brought to order at 6:30 pm. The new temporary Vice-Principal, Mary Scime introduced herself. Mrs. Scime will be at Michaëlle Jean for the remainder of the year, with the exception of a planned absence throughout parts of February and March where Mr. Ted Cambridge will be filling in.	P. Ieluzzi
Review & Approval of Previous Minutes	Minutes of December 16, 2013 were reviewed with follow-up discussion items added to today's agenda. Motion: To approve the minutes of December 16, 2013 as presented. Carried (K. Fralick, S. Metcalfe)	P. Ieluzzi
Previous/On-going Business		
School Website	School council membership, bylaws and previous minutes have been updated to the website. The next newsletter will include an FYI to parents. There is the option to set up our own website or blog that the Michaëlle Jean website could link to from the council page.	A. Flett
Uniforms	The Superintendent has been involved. Bill Yull and Mary Scime polled staff and support is not evident at this time. Need to formulate a strong rationale for the change to move forward. Motion: Defer to next school year, spending balance of year doing some research and gathering data. Carried (J. Rickey/A. Osfolk – 7/10 in favour)	M. Scime
Movie Night	To be held at Bellmoore for Michaëlle Jean students only. Need to coordinate dates with Bellmoore.	M. Scime
Fundraising	An update from Librarian Marlo Moore was provided on plans for use of the \$1500 funding allotment from council. New items to be the focus of future fundraising were discussed with busing float, team shirts, French language trips and continued funding for the library being raised as directives. Motion: To host a second annual Fun Fair with Judy Rickey to chair a subcommittee to that end. Carried (A. Osfolk/V. Aguirre) Judy will write up an insertion for the school newsletter requesting volunteers from the entire school community. Suggested dates for the Fun Fair were May 31 or June 7.	P. Ieluzzi/ J. Rickey
Parent Engagement	Discussed topics/seminars/etc that would be beneficial to our parent community, possible survey. The Fun Fair meets criteria. M.Scime to	M.Scime

	assist in submitting application	
Standing Reports		
Principal's Report M. Scime	<p>Reports cards go out February 13 and will reflect most recent performance.</p> <p>Mad Science begins January 22 for those that registered, to be held once per week during second nutrition break in the gym.</p> <p>A lot of outdoor time has been missed due to the extreme weather, Trying to get outside wherever possible and make indoor time effectively. Supervision is a challenge.</p> <p>Nutrition break observations: Primary grades are losing outdoor time. Going to try heading outside first for a couple of weeks, then come in to eat.</p> <p>Continuous learning: In-services attended on Positive Climate and Equity & Diversity. Two Instructional coaches will be coming in on January 28th.</p> <p>New FSL framework is now available at: http://www.edu.gov.on.ca/eng/amenagement/frameworkFLS.pdf</p> <p>Ted Cambridge will be covering as Vice-Principal for most of February through to March Break.</p>	--
Teacher's Report A. Flett	<p>I-Pad funded by council has been received and is being put to good use in the classrooms.</p> <p>Leveled readers funded by council are in and being used by the 4/5 class.</p> <p>Mrs. Moore has provided a plan for use of the \$1500 provided by council. \$500 will be directed to modeled reading.</p> <p>Basketballs funded by council are in and being used in the gym program.</p> <p>Snuggle Up & Read will be held January 27.</p> <p>Carnivale will be held February 3. Periods 1&2 are in the gym singing traditional songs, periods 3&4 are outdoor activities, periods 5&6 are in class activities.</p> <p>Upcoming in-services for teachers include Learning through the Arts (Flett, Collins) and math-based Proportional Reasoning (Jones, Lanois, Flett)</p> <p>Juno nominated FSL songwriter/performer Gregg Lerock will be performing at the McIntyre Performing Arts Centre at Mohawk College on April 2, 2014.</p>	--
Treasurer's Report	An updated budget will be provided at the next meeting accounting for recently dispersed funds.	J. Rickey
New Business		
Grant Info	J. Maull provided A. Flett with information regarding grant funding for outdoor education.	
FI Info Night	French immersion info night will be held at Lawfield Elementary on February 10. One location selected by HWDSB for each cluster (West/North/South). Concerns expressed as to why not being held at school. M.Scime to gather further information from board/FSL consultant.	M. Scime
Food Days	Discussed other potential options for food days, no changes decided at	

	this time.	
Children's Water Festival	Opportunity for grade 4/5 class to attend the Hamilton Children's Water Festival during the last week of May. No cost, busing provided.	S. Eastbury
Meeting Schedule	<p>No meeting in February</p> <p>Monday March 24, 2014 6:30pm</p> <p>Monday April 28, 2014 6:30pm</p> <p>Monday May 26, 2014 6:30pm (by-law review, time capsule)</p> <p>Monday June 16, 2014 6:30pm (final meeting, election process for September to be organized)</p> <p>Motion: To accept to dates as presented. Carried (P. Ieluzzi/K. Fralick)</p>	P. Ieluzzi
Adjournment	<p>Motion: To adjourn the meeting at 8:30 pm.</p> <p>Carried (P. Ieluzzi/S. Eastbury)</p>	P. Ieluzzi