



# École Élémentaire Michaëlle Jean

## School Council Meeting Minutes

### February 15, 2018

**Members Present:** S. Hall, C. Roberto, S. Curtis, S. White, L. Sutherland, M. Bodo, E. Lippa-Crawford, G. Bijelic, P. Gatsinos, D. Gatsinos, J. Miles, C. Collins.

Agenda Item	Discussion/Action Taken	Person(s) Responsible
Welcome & Attendance	Called to order at 6:32 p.m. Quorum met.	S. Hall
Review & Approval of Previous Minutes	Agenda Approved. S. Hall moved to approve. L. Sutherland second. Motion approved.  Motion to approve minutes. S. Hall approve, second G. Bijelic. Motion carried.	S. Hall
<b>Standing Reports;</b>		
Principal's Report/ Teachers Report	<p>Boys basketball- still playing, coach is outside of board.</p> <p>Mad Science started in Jan. until April. Another program will start continuing into June (engineering focus). They will promote this, Monday night again.</p> <p>Reports have gone out. Kids encouraged to return final page and envelope.</p> <p>Carnaval was a big success. Parents turned out. Organized by teachers.</p> <p>Renovations to learning commons to start on March Break. Media teacher will be à la carte. M. Eastwood will and daycare will also be à la carte (in music room and Mrs. Collins' room). All other services utilizing the space will need to use alternate locations. This work should be finished by the beginning of June. Music room renovations will follow this. Supplies (i.e. instruments will be rotated around). Library books will be allocated to classrooms for the time being.</p> <p>New boilers will be installed so that transformer and electrical can be upgraded. Remaining items will be addressed over the summer.</p> <p>Four (6?) brand new portables to be placed (this is a permanent measure due to school growth, they will be placed on the tarmac near the library entrance). Also septic to be addressed, and accessible bathroom. Gym brick and cladding (sound proofing) to be repaired, leaks to be looked in to (Mrs. Arsovic to speak with board).</p> <p>In terms of parking lot- police are requesting that parents not block the parking lot. His recommendation is to call bylaw to enforce parking and stopping laws. The school offers 100% bussing (at group pickup locations) and students are encouraged to take the bus. The parking lot is designed for staff parking only. <b>Ask school council: Please speak</b></p>	B. Arsovic (with Mme. Collins)

	<b>to parents when you see parking problems.</b> Call transportation to request more bus stops. Look at possibility of moving staff parking to back lot (Mrs. Arsovic). Request to send home a letter to parents to remind them of parking lot policies and eventuality of bylaw being called.	
Treasurer's Report	<p>Chocolate- \$7704.34. Shorted \$180 from a student who did not pay, if this child participates in the future, they will need to pay up front.</p> <p>Holiday bulbs- \$676.49. Some cash still brought in (170.75), policy will be no cash in the future. 168 bulbs pre-sold.</p> <p>Candygrams- \$365.14 (Christmas candy canes)</p> <p>\$171.63 paid to parent council shirts</p> <p>\$592.99 install of the hydration station (board covered \$2000 and we were meant to cover the rest).</p> <p>Subway- still in motion. We are making \$1 off of each sub. Projected profit is approx. \$4000. Forms need to say schoolcashionline only. Please remember to fill-out the form.</p> <p>Valentine candygrams- still pending</p> <p>Annual fundraising estimate (for report)- \$10500.00, current is \$12645.00. Bottomline, we cannot be asking community for more money.</p> <p>Amount in account- \$10096.72</p> <p>Maple syrup costs are now \$50 and not the anticipated \$80.</p>	S. Curtis
Fundraising Committee Report	<p>Family Skate Night/Bowling- discount price \$75/lane (not \$125). This would be a community building event, not a fundraising event.</p> <p>Book Drive- Not while renovations are occurring.</p> <p>Movie Night- ???</p> <p>Official MJ Toques- Next year, as part of spirit wear. Names embroidered on toque.</p>	
<b>Previous/On-Going Business</b>		
Pro Grant	Gary Drenfeld Workshop- Raising Awesome Kids. Flyer has been created. Date is Thursday April 19th (7 to 8:30). Look into childcare (Umbrella?- not possible but could possibly contract out Umbrella employees, or possibly hire a company to do this). Motion to have parent council pay for childcare- to be decided online when costs are determined. Motion to also cover costs of refreshments. Motion made by S. Hall. Second by L. Sutherland. Motion carried.	
Rural School Advisory Committee Meeting	<p>Nov. 23rd- Septic replacement (ministry approval-pending testing).</p> <p>Update about Summit Park.</p> <p>Water Testing</p> <p>Transportation is status quo. Communication is being looked into.</p>	

	<p>Funding granted for rural schools (Rural and Northern Education fund-20 million) Hamilton \$40 087. Funds are to be allocated. 10 rural schools in Hamilton. This money is separate from the renovations. Go back to school council to brainstorm ideas on how money should be divided and how we would use these funds (this must be consistent across the board- field trip bussing, outdoor equipment, ).</p> <p>Follow-up meeting Wed. Feb. 21st 7 p.m. Board office.</p> <p>Ideas put forth by school council: outdoor play, painting of asphalt, air conditioning, resources for language.</p> <p>Teachers will be asked to complete a survey (created by P. Gatsinos) indicating their needs/wishes. Results will be given to Suzanne before the meeting next Wednesday.</p>	
RAZ Kids	- deferred	
<b>New Business</b>		
Grade 8 Fundraiser	- Scratched, no discussion	
<b>Closing</b>		
Next meeting	<p><i>Thursday May 17th, 2018.</i></p> <p><i>Gary Direnfeld workshop to replace April meeting (April 19th, 7 p.m.)</i></p>	
Agenda suggestions	none	
Adjournment	Motion to adjourn meeting made by S. Hall. Second by L. Sutherland. Meeting adjourned at 8:24 p.m.	