# Welcome

* Meeting started at 6:33 pm by Jessica Zylstra
* **Motion to accept November minutes made by Julie & Seconded Laura M.**

# Principal’s Report

See attached

Discussions regarding how to interact with parent body.

How do we get them to read the Newsletters?

* Prize in the newsletter with a Mr. Fede emoji
* Some type of extra motivation to read the newsletter

Mr. Fede will be adding a note to his report each month to review the staff is working on.

This month: Quantity relationships: Gaining a good grasp of number sense helps with all basic math.

Formative Assessments: Looking at trying to evaluate how the student is progressing throughout all the learning.

Anticipating student responses. When a teacher gives a task to a student. The teacher should go through the task on their own. This allows them to anticipate what the student responses will be. It’s not reactive – it’s a prepared lesson plan to help speed up learning.

Noticing and Naming: Use the proper the mathematical grammar

Positive School culture team: Building positive culture in the school

# Teacher Report

No teacher report this month

# Budget Report

For expenses:

* Go for Green costed $727.52
* Jillian Jiggs Play was $408.00
* Dinner & Skate (so far) was $556.00

For Money raised:

* Halloween Lunch $388.96
* Movie night $265.00
* Night at Gallery: $6292.02
* Raffle $4806.53 (after expenses)
* $1485.49 for everything else (after expenses)

We have $7,459.56 in the budget right now.

This does not include the additional $1,000.00 donation from Kin Club and Strabane Optimist’s donation of $500.00

# Dinner & Skate Recap

Great event.

We had an injury this year and from now on there will be a rule: Helmet & skates on the ice for everyone including parents and teachers.

Great compliments on the food, lots of volunteers, lots of help from parents serving the food

With the $1000 from the Kin Club, they would like help in return with cooking at their event on Saturday morning.

* Breakfast with Santa at Millgrove Community Center needs volunteers
* 7:30 to 10am
* Volunteers so far are: Julie, Alison, Jessica, Laura Z., Laura M. and Lise

Discussions:

There are no other options when it comes to relocating for dinner & skate that work as well. The event coincides with other schools (Seaton and Beverly Central) and we don’t interrupt any public skates. Julie will negotiate the price again next year.

Tracy has stepped down from managing the kitchen. She has it very well organized with the timing on the food. We appreciate her hard work and will miss her.

# Movie Night

Thurs Jan 18 (school night) Cars 3 as the movie.

* Can’t get a care taker on a Friday night.
* Cars 3 is 1hr 49 mins
* Doors open at 6pm. Show starts at 6:15pm
* Sour keys are needed.
* We have Juice boxes
* Expect 80 kids.
* Other dates – Thurs Mar 1st & Thurs Jun 7

# 2017/18 PRO Grant approved

Raising Good Decision Makers

* Thurs May 3rd
* We need to decide a time. 6:30 – 8pm
* Submit a report back after the event

Dr. Sturdy.

Hoping for a better turnout this year.

We will do a report after the event.

Ev to ask him to do an interview with the Review, prior to the event.

* 2018/19 application
* Do it end of May

Mr. Fede is excited about the magic show event. $960 for the evening. Less for the day time showing. It covers positivity and anti-bullying. Audience participation involves both kids and adults.

Need a volunteer to work with Ev to learn how to do the PRO Grant application.

Julie will help for next year.

# Upcoming Events:

Jillian Jiggs Performance booked for Jan 22nd morning

Council funds paid for this. All grades will go to the show. 4 or 5 of her books will be done in her play.

Maybe we can promote with the books in the classrooms?

# Night at the Gallery

* Huge Success!!
* Brainstorm ideas for 2018/2019

It was a new adventure.

What worked?

* The raffle!
* Kids art work kept people involved
* Maybe more crafts, the make & take craft worked well.
* 105 emoticons were returned

Issues?

* People didn’t read the newsletter, so didn’t know what was going on.
* People didn’t understand that the class pictures for auction included their children’s work ($195 was made)
* Maybe too many events/things going on at the same time
* Some of last year’s art confused some parents because they didn’t recognize the old teacher’s name.
* People want to donate, a way to give back. And there were no real outlets outside buying pizza.
* The date – feedback: in November, too much between the 2 events. And Go for Green was just a few weeks before as well. We do need some type of fund raiser early in the year, because we need the money.
  + Just have the raffle in the Fall November and the event in the spring.
  + Tie in with Open House during May
    - Have the event during education week, go to the gym, have food
    - Tie it with meet with the teacher
    - Could continue to have a silent auction on the kids art work
    - Next year we should consider paying for the mulch in June (for Go for Green) to help us allocate the money more appropriately.
    - Serve pizza, and make it combos with chips. This way people will come to eat and we can make sure that we make more money on food.
    - If we go ahead and do it in May, make sure we have a plan early on, with the children’s portfolios. The teachers more involved with that part.
* The raffle has to be totally separate. Has to have a separate trust account, which needs to be paid for. Council cannot have a bank account.
  + The number of tickets sold is based on what the prize value is worth. Our value was $1535.00 which allowed us to sell 500 tickets.
* We can no longer buy gift cards because we can’t prove that they are buying stuff for the kids.

# Other Council Business

* Bathroom etiquette is an issue at the school. Problems keep happening. Mr. Fede has gone to each classroom to talk about how to behave in the bathrooms.

*Thanks to Julie for the coffee and snacks!! They were delicious ☺ although the sugar may have given some of us a bit too much energy and the giggles! Lol… fun night!*

# Adjournment

* **Next Meeting:** Next Meeting Wed Jan 10th
* **Motion to adjourn made by Jackie & Laura M.** 7:56pm

# Attendees

Principal Danny Fede

Jessica Zylstra

Laura McCannell

Laura Zonta

Gina Allen

Lise Ciavarella

Wendy Teed

Julie Hunter

Jackie Parry

Becky Galer

Ev Post

Allison Blain

# Regrets

Mrs. Alison Price

Alison Van Alten

Victoria Keith

Laura Stasiuk