**Ray Lewis School Council Minutes – January 19, 2016**

**Attendees**:

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| Kim Slezak | Denise Campbell |
| Bryson Sherriff | Kari Wright |
| Karen Johnston | Angela Giardino |
| Sandi Inglis | Kevin Heer |
| Michelle Kell | Daphne Sampson |
| Tyler McNeil | Scott Dicker  |
| Tara McDonald | Denise Campbell |

* November minutes reviewed and passed
* Daycare update – currently hosting the Lincoln Alexander site during the class construction
* Principal/Vice-Principal
	+ Staff changes occurred after Christmas holidays; Mrs. Peever returning next week, new posting out shortly, several teachers going on mat leave soon.
	+ Yogurt sales starting; limiting numbers and splitting sales to alternate days
	+ Pizza sales starting Feb. 4 with order form for 6 weeks
	+ Keeping an eye on cold weather and outdoor nutrition breaks
	+ Speeches for grades 4 – 8 under way
	+ Recycling program for grade 5 students has started up
	+ New PA day for April 15 announced; 1 day shift in the school calendar
	+ HWDSB foundation grant – School is applying for the grant to create a 'snoezelen' room to assist kids with special needs (Ray Lewis has about 20 kids with special needs); asking if school council might assist with funding as well of any amount. Total budget for the room is about $2,000; aiming to use photocopy room on the 2nd floor.
* Teacher report:
	+ Mrs. Davis, Mrs. Paris and Mrs. Miller co-ordinating the recycling program
	+ Sports programs under way – basketball, indoor track
	+ Requesting letters from parents and other community members to support Mrs. Jansens nomination for music teacher of the year. Winner receives cash prize as well as the school, and also wins a trip to the Juno awards.
* Fundraising report:
	+ Sub days – plan to have a sub day before March break; will plan for days in April and May as well. Fundraising team to send email for support if needed to help with orders and money collection.
	+ Possible movie night for April
* Garden area
	+ Henderson High School metal shop – potential to create a structure for the Ray Lewis garden area (i.e. benches or pergola); Kevin to contact principal Rick Kunc.
* **Adjourn: 7:15pm**