



School Council Meeting Date: Feb 7, 2024

Members Present:

Tania Amaral, Alicia Cox Thomson, Marissa Turner (staff), Rob Regan, Carley Woods Claybourne (staff), Jessica De Santis (staff), Suzanne Caetano Pavao (staff), Catherine Moreau (staff)

Others: Jenn Truax, Carley Woods, Allison Barnes, Jo, Maya, Iosbel Spicer, Lauren de Wal, Michelle, Dee

Regrets:

Call to Order: Alicia @ 6:31pm

Agenda Item	Notes/Action Items	Person(s) Responsible
Welcome and Introductions		M. Turner
Review and Approval of Agenda		A. Thomson
Review and approval of previous minutes		A. Thomson
HWDSB Land Acknowledgement	Hamilton-Wentworth District School Board acknowledges our presence on ancestral Anishinaabe and Haudenosaunee Confederacy land as determined by the Dish with One Spoon treaty. The intent of this agreement is for all nations sharing this territory to do so responsibly, respectfully and sustainably in perpetuity. We respect the longstanding relationships with the local Indigenous communities, the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation and the Six Nations of the Grand River.	M. Turner
Old Business	Move to Music 'Blasting into the Future" – Launch for MakerSpace Spring Open House Mascot update? *no real update on this; ongoing next step	

Teacher Report	Nothing to report	C. Woods/ J. DeSantis
Principal Report	<p>1. School Annual Plan – January to January Strategic Directions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> *key values such as joy, dignity and well-being, identity of all students *outdoor education learning *reading specialists for learners <p>2. MakerSpace progress update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> *ESL, Reading and Storage Room-will be retrofitted in summer *donations are coming in and ordering things *robotics learnings *actively in the midst of getting the first pieces together <p>3. Staffing update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> *initial projections have come in and have been verified *Adeliade is closed to catchment <p>4. February – Black History, Family, Love</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> *equity and voice group *Identities and empowerment across all grades and months *friendship and love <p>5. Art Show @ Spring Open House</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> *teachers will have budgets available for classrooms for art *families will be able to walk through and celebrate each classes showcase 	M. Turner
Chair Report	<p>Questions: Is there still spirit wear for sale and where does that money go?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> *still have bucket hats but school not allowed to order and keep stock *all school wear sold at cost **question raised about how to order on School Cash Online *Mr. O’Connell to determine if we need another order *Marissa suggested a neighbour to neighbour sale of school spirit wear in the Fall <p>Allison: Have we received the garden signage?</p>	A. Thomson

*not yet received the garden signage; ordered in November

*it was paid for

**question raised about the post for the sign; Allison will take care of it

MAKERSPACE LAUNCH ANNOUNCEMENT

Friday, February 16

- students may create a video "Support our Future in STEAM"
- **decision was made to keep it to quotes
- one page FAQ "What is a MakerSpace?" by staff and Alicia to edit
- Michelle to create Canva poster
- students may create a "funds raised" counter/parents will create one to live on the School Council board to be updated all year

BLASTING INTO THE FUTURE DANCE-A-THON

Thursday, March 7

- parents can donate to the fundraiser via School Cash Online in \$5 increments, all proceeds support the MakerSpace Project
- *info will be put out on how to use it
- Tania's husband is a DJ and will bring equipment and lights (for free!)
- *Twisted Sister also wants to DJ that day
- kids and volunteers encouraged to wear fun and futuristic costumes whatever that means to them
- classes can vote on a Class Song to request
- the popcorn machine has been broken (RIP machine)
- free refreshments provided by School Council (i.e. Costco granola bars, Goldfish)

VOTE ON BUDGET

- potential to support Student Council's Kernels fundraiser by purchasing popcorn from them and distributing it free at the event
- *decided against this due to the business of the day
- classes will be in groups and have at least 30 minutes to dance; few classes at a time; constant flow in and out
- 6+ parent volunteers are needed and you do need a valid police check with a VSS (it's currently quick)
- Michelle to create a Canva poster

	<p>Volunteers needed for: Decorations/set up, break down/clean up, refreshments to be handed out to class, general supervision. Maya, Allison, Jo can volunteer *in blocks of 1-1.5 hours *Alicia to send an email to see who can volunteer</p>	
<p>Treasurer Report</p>	<p>Opening balance: \$753.10 Closing balance: \$500 (available as part of the school budget called Parent Engagement. This amount is given to the school for the Principal and school council, when and if there is one, to make a decision on how to best use)</p>	
<p>New Business</p>	<p>Community Building/Connection Ideas</p> <p>MAY GARDEN CLEAN UP (Neighbourhood) -a bit earlier this year to be ready for the Spring Open House May 16th; clean up will take place May 4th or 11th (11th more ideal) -less budget because less new plants and trees needed -general clean up, weeding, mulching, spreading stones, some planting -usual free refreshments, bubbles, gloves, spades -Allison will contact Green Ventures for assistance -will have wood chips provided for the play structure (will clean up) -pot holes will be levelled -new activities will be sprayed on the tarmac</p> <p>SPRING OPEN HOUSE EXTRAVAGANZA! Our biggest Open House ever! May 16th 4:30-6:30pm -open house with Adelaide Art Show *food truck permit applied, Hamilton Fire Department with a truck to visit (sensitivity to our students regarding house fires has been discussed and understood) -question about Police attending the event as well -bring community together -Art show will happen in the Haven *will have music; sing-a-long</p>	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none">*table for Parent Council (bake sale?)-Butterfly larvae kits (Jessica Watson)*to purchase for fundraising (\$25/kit and \$10 went to the school)* <p>Set meeting times for future (Apr 3, May 1)</p>	
Next Meeting Date/Time	Apr 3 rd from 6:30-7:30pm on MS Teams	
Adjournment		