

Home and School, November 18, 2019.

Attending Members: Reasa Diab, Manju Dahal, Kristi Snary, Sandra Wohl, Jessica Thomas-Troian, Sherri Johnston, Neha Pawar

Attending Non-Members: Simon Goodacre

Regrets: Unity Schmidt , Julie Burgess-Nichols, Joey Pottinger, Todd Kirkpatrick, Erin Isram

Reasa called the meeting to order at 7:23p.

Agenda Items:

Kristy: Add to New Business – New Bank Account

Motion to approve agenda: Manju Dahal

Second: Sandra Wohl

All in favour.

Treasurer's Report:

Since last meeting, we added Term 1 Pizza - \$13,652.00 – is an estimated amount at the moment.

\$5000.00 in product that has been purchased for the Holiday Bazaar, but have listed it in case the event is held off due to possible strike action.

Funds have been allocated to Window of Opportunity and Tents.

Currently have \$4600.00 available to spend. If upcoming events go as planned, we expect to have \$17,000.00 available.

Motion to approve Treasurer's Report: Jessica Thomas-Troian

Second: Manju Dahal

All in favour.

Association By-Laws:

Our Association was founded in 2005; it is time to update the By-Laws. This should be done any time something changes or every two-years in the absence of any changes.

Motion to approve Ancaster Meadow Association By-Laws as they appear:

Neha Pawar

Second: Kristi Snary

All in favour.

Buffalo Wild Wings: Event was held last night. Smaller than our regular turnout, but still a good event. Going forward, we should hold it earlier in November as things get busier for families later in the month. Other suggestions include:

-Might also be good to avoid Monday night as families may have gone out over the weekend.

- Good to advertise on the announcements the morning of the event – gets kids excited and they tell their families.

Have also received feedback that some families were dissatisfied with the limited menu options: no gluten-free, etc.

Raffled off a draw for sauces; earned \$114.00. Projecting \$200 from the event.

Waiting to hear from the restaurant.

Holiday Bazaar: Booked for Friday December 13th. Planning is well underway.

Andrea Colbert-DeGeit and Sandra Wohl got together with Reasa Diab and notes were typed-up regarding the process of running the Bazaar for people running the event in future. Planning a binder of information to give to whoever takes on the Chairperson role next year. Volunteer and donation forms have gone out to families.

Updates from Shoppers:

Boys, Girls – done

Christmas - \$430.88 spent to date – almost done

Moms – almost finished.

Dads – Our shoppers for this category are not present tonight – will get an update from them.

Thursday Dec 12, 4p - 8p will be set-up night. Looking for as many helpers for set-up and especially for the event itself.

Suggestion: Make a Kids' table instead of separate table for Boys and Girls to combat sexual stereotyping. Decision made to combine the tables in one long row and change signage to something like "Kids".

Adopt a Family:

Typically we adopt-a-family at the holidays; we typically look within our community or over at Chedoke. This year, we have already clothed a family in winter wear and household goods and books, plus personal donations from Reasa and Sandra and donations from our school community. The ESL teacher secured a grant from HWDSB to help the kids. The family was super-appreciative and they received everything just before our first winter storm.

Suggestion: Could reach out to the school community to augment H&S funds towards Adopt a Family this year.

Need to be careful of how many fundraisers are running at the same time. There are also hampers put together by Mme. Nowacki that go to Chedoke families.

Crossing Guard: Linda Wolfe, our crossing guard of about 6 years, will retire in December. She has been a wonderful and appreciated part of our community. Dec 19th assembly, we could give her something then, or at the end of the school year.

Suggestion: Can we let the school community know of her retirement? Simon suggests that we get her approval first.

Motion to provide a gift in total of \$100 for Linda: Sandra Wohl

Second: Kristi Snary

All in favour.

Funding requests:

Volleyball: For safety reasons, would like to get a referee stand for our staff. Currently using a stepladder. \$620.00 for the stand and \$475 for matting (which pads the stand in case a student runs into it). \$1095.00 for a stand with matting.

Volleyball equipment: We have received a letter from Mr. Trikoupis requesting funds for volleyball equipment. It explains that the sport has become quite popular; our school has 5 teams, plus it is a main focus sport in our Phys Ed program. They also hope to start hosting our own tournament at Ancaster Meadow next year. Two balls carts, setter balls, Stagg scoreboard and one set of antennas. \$822.30, plus shipping.

Motion to allocate \$1100.00 to provide the referee stand with matting: Kristi

Snary

Second: Manju Dahal

All in favour.

Motion to allocate \$822.30, plus shipping for Volleyball equipment as requested by Mr. Trikoupis: Manju Dahal

Second: Sandra Wohl

All in favour.

New Business:

New Bank Account: Kristi, Reasa and Sandra have opened our new Home and School bank account. Term one Pizza has been deposited into our new account. New cheques are nice, has our logo on them. New account will also allow us online access as well, plus debit cards for deposit transactions and we can track transactions throughout the month, not just at the end of the month on our account statements, which is a benefit.

Plan is to allow anything outstanding to filter through the old account until the end of November at which time Tandia will give us a cashier's cheque to take to TD.

Motion to Adjourn at 8:27p: Sandra Wohl

Second: Jessica Thomas-Troian

All in favour.

Next meeting will be held on Tuesday January 14, 2020, 7:30p - 8:30p (directly following the 6:30p School Council meeting.)