

Attendees:

Colleen Kaus, Eliana Arboleda, Reasa Diab, Julie Burgess-Nichols, Carolyn Golden

Non-Member Attendees:

Kelly Dunford (Principal), Shelly Vohra (Vice-Principal), Jennifer Flewelling (Teacher Rep)

Welcome:

Meeting called to order by Colleen Kaus at 6:32 pm.

Land Acknowledgement:

Read by Colleen

Motion to Previous Meeting Minutes: Motioned by Reasa Seconded by Julie. Motion passed.

Motion to Approve Agenda: Motioned by Reasa. Seconded by Eliana. Motion passed.

Teacher's Report: Jennifer Flewelling

- **Mr Singh and the Checkers Committee are present.**
- Checkers tournament is officially an Ancaster Meadow Event
- This year it is taking place April 2, 2025.
- Need volunteers for the food store, set up and clean up.
- Suggestion to try reach out to high school guidance to post for students.
- Facts about the tournament: The largest checkers tournament in the world.
- Funds from previous years will pay for volunteer shirts
- Board will pay for all the ribbons
- Funds from the food store will come to Ancaster Meadow.
- 850 students will be in attendance this year.

- **Junior Speech Festival is in April**

- **Junior boys and girls basketball starts after March break**

- **Music:**
- Feb 4 winter concert was a success.
- They will be performing at Bandfest.
- Will be participating in a day long workshop at Ancaster high
- They will be performing on March 3 @ 2:00pm

- **School Talent Show after March break**
- **OMAC:** worked with the Phys Ed. department. Will offer 6 lessons per grade
- **Ski trip:** a huge success

Principal's Report: Kelly Dunford

Parking Lot Closure

- It will be a adjustment for some
- Found it was necessary because as soon as the duty teacher would in, about 25 cars would rush into the parking lot

PA day

- AM: all staff: learning about Antisemitism
- PM: K to Gr2: Acadience and Gr 3-8: literacy workshop

Anti Bullying day

- As a school when we learning about something we address it
- When teachers don't know about it we can't address it
- The school tried to act proactively
- As a school community we interrupt racist/homophobic comments
- We are interrupting the language.
- Semantics shift from calling someone a racist to what you said was racist.

PRO Grant:

- Approved for \$900 not \$1000
- Decided we are not going to do drumfit.
- Other Considerations for the budget:
 1. **Nutritionist for 'Picky' eaters:** Rosanne Robinson. 1 hour presentation, \$650.00 plus mileage fee. Focus on picky eaters, healthy minds, healthy bodies.
 2. "Bucket drumming" available any Wednesday in May. The theme is be a rockstar. Cost \$550 + HST and Mileage from waterdown. 60 people max.
- Concerns raised with the nutritionist component: how are these topics going to be addressed? Is this the best use of the grant funds?
- Subcommittee will meet again to determine what to do with the nutrition component.
- Can use \$100 for refreshments and \$100 for supplies and materials.

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Motion to Adjourn motioned by Reasa @ 7:22. Seconded by Carolyn. Motion Passed.