

Attendees: Suzanna Milinovich, Colleen Uhler, Leanne Muir, Raman Rakkar, Nadira Stoddart, Ashley Lee, Ami Bhensdadia, Ashley Bell, Rachel Cronsberry, Kim Puddicombe

Regrets: Julia Penman, Shane Traver, Dorothy Drebenstedt, Rachel Stewart, Danielle Pacey

School Council Agenda

April 11, 2024

6:30pm

- **Principal's Report:**

- Big thanks to SC for the support to purchase DPA equipment and trumpets for music class with approved spend
- Kicked off the month with Autism Awareness with chalk drawings outside parent volunteers (Mallory, Brooke) and Ms. Dooley. Shane virtually read to 19 classes and answered questions on Autism by students. Classrooms individually celebrated/discussed Autism.
- ASD room is doing a friendship gram fundraiser for special education and whole school needs, Apr 15-19
- Director of Education Sharon Petrazzini, Superintendent of Achievement Gerry Smith, and Trustee Amanda Fehrman visited the school, visiting several classrooms to answer student questions, and participate in a junior math learning task
- Looking for shade options for Kinder pen
- Open House in May - date TBA
- Reminder will be sent to teachers to use movie streaming service (valid until Dec 2025)

- **Teachers' Report:**

- **Eco Team:** Solar glasses collection (due by Friday-will take to public library); Earth week events: we are partnering with secondary school board level Eco-team to provide learning opportunities and classroom outdoor clean up kits; Planning to run a propagated plant giveaway at our May Open House table. Connect with Emma Brooks if you are a plant lover and have clippings to share! ebrooks@hwdsb.on.ca
- **Student Voice and Leadership:** Anti Bullying group working on digital media presentation
- **Podcast:** Upcoming episodes include interviews with representatives from Muslim Association of Hamilton; Mountainside Church; Dundas Valley School of Arts
- **Band:** Bandfest – April 12

- **Grade 8 SpeechFest:** 12 competitors; delivered thought provoking speeches for judges; top three received prize bags and everyone got a certificate of participation
- **Ready to Play:** Up and running, great feedback, older students wearing green vests and playing with primary kids at breaks
- **Gauss Math Test:** Grade 7/8 students all write to screen; top 25 in each grade move onto actual test; provided by University of Waterloo
- **Coding:** Open to grades 3 and 4, history of coding and are learning to code using different platforms and devices, such as the iPads using Scratch Jr. and Dash/Osmo
- **Robotics:** Grade 8 leaders organizing kits, grade 6-8 members joining in now
- **Lunch Monitoring:** Grades 4-8 were trained and assigned to classrooms to help students during the lunch portion and getting ready to go outside
- **FDK Events:** Visited virtually by the RBG on April 24 & 25 for a "Creepy Crawly" presentation. Visted by Nature Expert from the Forrest Floor on May 9.
- **Girls at Bat:** Starting soon; girls grade 2-3 and 4-5
- **Positive Space Group:** Starting soon; welcomes those in the LGBTQIA plus group as well as allies; student led and teacher supported

Athletics:

- **Basketball:**
 - Junior: Teams have one week left in regular season.
 - Boys: Currently in 3rd place
 - Girls: Currently in 2nd place
- **Flag Football:**
 - Gr. 8 Team - Selected and practicing
 - Gr. 7 Team – In the tryout phase
 - Gr. 5/6 Team – In the tryout phase
- **Tournaments:**
 - Orchard Park Secondary – May 9th (Gr 5/6) May 10th (Gr.8)
 - West Dale Secondary – May 23rd (Gr 7 & Grade 8 Teams)
 - MacNab Secondary – May 31st (Gr 7 & Grade 8 Teams)
 - Hamilton Outdoor Games: Track & Field (Grade 6-8)
 - Mohawk Sport Complex: May 22nd
 - Dared-to-Tri: (Grade 8's)
 - Ancaster High School – May 24th
 - HWDSB: Track & Field (Grade 6-8)
- Mohawk Sport Complex: June 10th
- HWDSB: Track & Field (Grade 3-5)
- Mohawk Sport Complex: June 21st
- Golf: Date TBD
- Outdoor Soccer Jr/Sr: Date TBD

- **Treasurers report:**

- Currently have \$4328.55
- Approx. \$2000 available to spend.
 - Vote on spending in May (admin to provide costs on additional school needs)

School Council Treasury Report - 2023/2024	
Bazaar - Nov 18/23	
Table Rentals	\$ 1,980.00
Silent Auction	4,187.00
Lemonade/Mystery Bags	768.30
Bake Sale	470.15
Food Truck Profit	117.10
Music & DPA Equipment	(6,516.12)
Total Bazaar Balance	\$ 1,006.43
SC Fundraising Misc	
Audio Cine Films Inc.	(937.90)
Movie Night Proceeds	256.75
Pancake Day	1,626.92
Total Fundraising Misc Balance	\$ 1,029.93
SC General	
Christmas Parade Candy	(78.15)
Total SC General Balance	\$ 1,776.90
Mable's Labels	\$ 515.29
Total Balance - April 11/24	\$ 4,328.55

- **Calendar of events:**

- Feedback on pancake day and movie day were discussed. Overall, very positive. Funds raised \$1029.93
- 2 week minimum notice of future events will be required to provide enough time for communication and promotion
- Ashley's Sweets & Treats cupcake decorating class fundraiser on April 16, 10 students registered
- FunSplash Fundraiser TBD
- No other May fundraising events
 - Focus will be on end of year Movie night scheduled for June 13
 - Date to be communicated in class calendar, parents to email and Bellmoore News

- **Bazaar planning:**

- May council meeting will focus on bazaar planning. Primes will be allocated to each category to help support

Next Meeting: Thursday May 9th 6:30pm