Parent council

Land acknowledgment

Present:

Staff Alex, Francesca Sandie, Lori

Parent Sarah, Christine, Ian Adrienne, Carrie

Partners: Darlene Scott

Start with elections

Chairs/Co-Chairs possibly treasurer

Christine willing to co-chair Adrienne will co-chair

Secretary – any parent willing? Francesca will continue alternating with John E

Treasurer – Sarah

Need to set up a meeting to discuss procedure.

Daycare option would be addressed with RSVP and flyer; ration of 1:15 in separate room;

Newsletter deadlines? First week of the month;

#### Agenda items

Labour Update?

 All bargaining units are negotiating; teacher strike vote is normal part of the process; CUPE is ratifying their deal; a bit of confusion because the media is focused on the way the largest districts (i.e. Toronto)

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#### Community partners:

#### **Darlene Scott RN**

- will attend as many meetings as possible;
- Printed materials and dates of interest which would be great for the newsletter;
- 2<sup>nd</sup> year at Bennetto; flyer to explain role of the public health nurse; document to explain after school programs to access; Lori attends these meetings which are well attended; breakfast club flyer sent home with all students Keith Area students can get picked up at Eva Rothwell to access a hot breakfast club
- Immunization Clinic Gr 7 Nov 5 3 vaccines (meningitis, hep B, HPV) again in May 14
- Dental screening (Nov 25/26) JK SK and gr 2 and 7 and any parents who request it
- Vision screening SK students date TBA
- Nursing students conducting Community Assessment here until Dec developing active recess program; working with Reboks Presentation Nov 23 to grade 6, train some gr 7 and 8s; seeking to p

### Principal Report

- 2 new classes opened which lowered numbers (now at 540)
- Trips Kinder to Pumpkin Patch
- Jr classes going to Dundurn
- Sports: cross country; swim team practicing; soccer all year long; middle of V – ball
- Picture day Friday, October 18<sup>th</sup> Another photographer is willing to do sibling and family photos for November 11<sup>th</sup>

### Q online cash an option? Teachers must opt in;

### Q can online form be amended to reflect other options

Price increased to \$2 per slice to cover costs;

Fundraising plan – we need to know by end of this month

#### Q could something around candles work? Q

# Q There is a resurgence of interest in bracelets- possibly follow up in this vein?

Alternative food days are also an option for raising money (taking 3 days in the school calendar year with food options – Ola Café; Queen Subs; )

## Q any staff suggestions?

Sound system, sandbox with lid; outdoor play equipment for active recess

Next meeting – November 21st 6:30

(consider skipping December meeting)