

# Flamborough Centre School Council

Meeting Minutes – November 14, 2018 @6:30pm

## 1. Welcome, attendance and approval of minutes

In attendance: Mark Hopkins, Leanne Tovey, Suzie Larochelle, Leah Young, Shelley Armstrong, Erin Bilan, Lianne Broughton, Nicole Christie, Carrie MacLean, Stacey Martinicchio, Kelly Taylor, Jennifer Vince, Kellie Buttenham

Regrets: Hilary Millington, Alison Morris

Absent: Raffaella D'Angela, Erica Kirkland, Jennifer Kristen, Sunny Sun

\*Minutes from October 24, 2018 approved by Shelley Armstrong and Nicole Christie

\*Thank you's expressed to helpers behind the scenes: to Jennifer K for taking on the FC Parents Facebook page, to Jennifer K and Erica for helping fit Spirit Wear, to Kellie for helping cover Thursday pizza days, to Shelley for work on Boston Pizza, Bull Dogs and the Volunteer Database

## 2. Student's Report – to be presented at next meeting instead

## 3. Teacher's /Principal's Reports

Leanne Tovey shared:

- a) the many accomplishments and valiant efforts of FC's various sports teams
- b) Remembrance Day, put on by Ms. Ciurffreda and the Gr 8/s, was excellent; it was Glee's first performance of the year
- c) Halloween Dance-A-Thon was a great and fun success; raised \$1005, plus snack sales of approx. \$400 -where the funds will go is to be determined
- d) Holiday concert is getting underway, to be put on by Gr 7's as a leadership opportunity -Thursday December 13, daytime dress rehearsal and an evening concert 6:30pm
- e) Bring your Gr 9 to work Day was yesterday: two previous students spent the time in Leanne's room helping and leading

\*Question regarding leadership: Gr 7's and 8's are well-encouraged...can Gr 6's coming from their own leadership rolls at Mary Hopkins be better included? Leanne and Mark both addressed this

*New Twitter account: "Flamborough Centre Elementary School"*

Mark Hopkins shared:

- a) Parent/Teacher Interview sign-up process went very well/parents happy; discussion around length of time slots available for the meetings
- b) Next staff meeting: training/learning to occur on the topic of LGBTQI2S+
- c) Next PA Day (Dec 7): focus will be on Math-Assessment, Comprehensive Math, diagnostic assessment, \*Differentiated Instruction ("meeting students where they are"), positive school culture and caring adult support (exists within the We Help frame)
- d) \$250,000 from the HWDSB has been allocated for FC upgrades! (playground, learning commons, science room, etc.; likely 2019-2020) \*discussion around the wish for a new gym floor -Question regarding accessibility of doors and bathrooms in the school
- e) Mark spoke about his Montreal "unconference"/ "educamp:" guest speaker on coding and STEM

“Makerspace:”inspired the idea of the “Boneyard Transformation” (turning an underused space in the school into a collaborative work space for students to make, learn, explore and share using technology and different materials)

\*Importance of arts and creation, compassion

- f) Next Falcon Assembly will be on November 30 -recognizing students, open to parents
- g) Working on increased **Student Voice and Shared Leadership** – this topic was well-addressed by Leanne previously, and emerged throughout the meeting as an important focus
- h) Safe School Drills/Procedures: there will be a “hold & secure” drill Friday, November 16  
-students will be pre-warned

#### 4. Treasure’s report

**Balance as of Aug 31/18: \$3,736.13**

<b>Fundraising Initiative</b>	Income	Expenses	Projected Profit	Note
Pumpkins	\$380.00	\$152.00	\$228.00	
Pizza	\$5,116.75	\$1,315.90	\$2,060.56	unpaid pizza and 'at door' sales still expected
Tuck Shop	\$192.70			Tuck shop should not be in this account
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$5,689.45</b>	<b>\$1,467.90</b>		

#### **Purchases**

Terry Fox Run Juice Boxes	\$62.45
	<u>\$62.45</u>

**Closing Balance as of Nov 9/18: \$7,895.23**

#### **Expenses Anticipated**

Remaining pizza cost (9 x217.81/wk)	\$1,960.29
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#### **Purchases Anticipated**

Basketball Net	\$2,508.00	approx. **Confusion: appeared to be accounted twice? This was cleared this up!
	<u>\$2,508.00</u>	

Money to Spend \$3,234.24 removed tuck shop  
(PLUS the basketball net money)

\*Question: if teachers have needs for their classrooms or extra-curricular activities, how/whom do they ask?  
Mark addressed this: the requests can be re-routed through him to council as appropriate

#### 5. Fundraisers and Activities

- a) Me to We Initiative: FC will be partnering up with Pauline Johnson Public School in Hamilton to not only share some of our fundraising profits with them, but to become partners and friends as well (these initiatives will develop over time). Council voted unanimously to donate a certain percentage of funds raised through our late winter/spring fundraiser with Cobs Bread. An anonymous ballot vote was held at the meeting to determine %.

**\*Outcome: 15% of funds raised through Cobs Bread fundraiser will be donated to Pauline Johnson**

- b) HDSA Cards: orders are due Monday November 19; 2 volunteers needed to tally the orders  
-Shelley and Carrie Volunteered
- c) Bulldogs Game Family Day: February 18, 2019 at 2pm against the Barrie Colts; 100 tickets sold between the school and we get a free skate beforehand; ticket prices set at \$18; as soon as the link is determined, promotion can begin before Christmas
- d) Cobs Breads: late Feb/early Mar 2019; Leah & Suzie met with them to discuss more details; it's looking like a very positive partnership going forwards, with many incentives and generous involvement from them; when time comes, volunteers will be needed to tally sales  
-interest shown by Stacey, Erin and Jennifer V
- e) Boston Pizza Family Night: Wednesday April 3, 2019 5-8pm; 10% of all sales go to FC; posters needed to advertise -idea to have students make them (Leanne to follow through on that!)
- f) Open House Theme Baskets: May 2019
- g) Staff Appreciation Luncheon: late May/early June (no date determined yet)

#### 6. Update on Volunteers Coordinator

Shelley has a good group of parents available at various times to volunteers, council and non-council.

#### 7. Indoor Recess games Collection Follow-up

- After a second request for donations, response has not been significant
- Council moves to spend money to supply these rainy/cold day activities for classrooms
- Leanne will take it to staff and request lists of wishes, and whether a bin would be useful  
**\*Vote to approve an expense of \$600.00 being spent on this initiative – passed**

#### 8. PIC Meeting Update

Lianne shared the discussed topics:

- a) Transportation and Buses (driver shortage, contract problems and issues, amendment to appropriate walking distance for JK/SKs, no real solutions/under review)
- b) Mental Health and well-being, supports in place

#### 9. Parent Engagement Night

The Pro Grant program has been cancelled. There remains a \$500 {Parent Engagement Grant that will be available to cover expenses for a Parent Engagement Night. We will discuss options for speakers/topics at a later date.

#### 10. Other Business

Mark shared with Council the exciting news of Leanne's promotion to Vice Principal. No placement as of yet, but there will be a celebration to be had! [Congratulations Leanne!](#)

- 11. **Next meeting:** January 16, 2019 -brought to our attention that WDHS's Parent Information session is the same evening; to avoid conflict, we will change our January meeting to the 9<sup>th</sup>

**See you on Wednesday, January 9, 2019 @6:30pm**  
**Happy Holidays!**