

School Council Meeting Date: 7/February/2023, 8:00pm

Members Present: Caitlin Evans, Cathy Calvano, Andrea Cooper, Mike De Maria, Aishat OA, Natalia Bourenane, Jodi Hawkins, Sachi, San Pawar, Andrea Jensen, Joyce, Nima Maftoon, Jaime West, Jenny Legassie, Andrew Ingrassia

Call to Order: Mike de Maria (Co-Chair)

Agenda Item	Decision/Action Item	Person(s) Responsible
Welcome and introductions	Call to order Review of group norms Welcome and introductions	Chair – Mike de Maria
Review and Approval of Agenda	Agenda reviewed and approved	Mike
Review and approval of previous minutes	Motion to approve: Andrea Motion seconded: Alshat/Mike Motion carried  Minutes can be found on school website	
HWDSB Land Acknowledgement	Williates can be found on school website	Cathy
Old Business	None identified	
Chair Report	Pizza: Some issues with Lunch Box process.     Additional volunteers in place and will move forward with previous approach. Cost:     Approximately \$2.50/slice. Currently in process of being organized. Payment through school cash online only. Start date: tentative March 7 2023.     Ordering: Diane in communication with office manager. 2 choices: cheese/pepperoni. Order on a monthly basis.     Subway: will continue through Lunch Box.  Parent Engagement Fund: \$500.     Ideas for use required. Caitlin discussed hosting a Cultural Evening at the school during Education Week (May 1st). School Staff team being formed, would like a representative from School Council to bring parent voice to team (other team members are staff).     Education Week focusses on showcasing learning. Desire to bring community in to school (open-house). Considering hosting an event to	Mike de Maria



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	celebrate and showcase the various cultures within school community.  • Board Provided Parent Engagement Funds requested to support school-community cultural event. Motion approved (dollar amount TBD).  • Volunteer from school council/parent rep: Aishat  Application for pro-grant completed, outcome pending.  May meeting – in person. School Trustee, Amanda	
	Fairman, to attend. Caitlin to send invitation.  Include social time and refreshments (School Council funds can be used)  Fundraising Ideas:	
	Soil bags (Big Yellow bag) moving forward.     \$10/bag ordered returned to school. "Give and Grow"	
Treasurer Report/Financial	Treasurer:	Natalia Bourenane
	Balance: 4404.42	
	\$3000 allocated.	
	Remaining funds: 1404.42	
Principal Report	<ul> <li>Grade 8 Commencement: Thursday June 22, 5:00pm</li> <li>Home &amp; School putting together post-event celebration</li> <li>New: now planning to hold in Panabaker North gym (change from Ancaster High School)         <ul> <li>Ease of committees for prep</li> <li>Air-flow</li> <li>Seating limited, ~3-4 seats/family</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	Caitlin/Catherine
	Education week: May 1 <sup>st</sup> week  Community open house. Details to follow.	
	Report cards  • Home February 17th	
Teacher Report	North Site: Andrea Jensen  1-2 weeks ago: Hall of Heritage. Celebrated diversity within school. Grades 3 and 4 Fl students paired with grade 1 and 2 students. Thank you Ms. Froats for a wonderful event enjoyed by all.	Andrea Jensen



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	<ul> <li>Art Club: New, run by Ms Ortwein – will be scheduled due to demand</li> <li>Mme Radji: Newspaper club starting</li> <li>Feb 14<sup>th</sup> – Bake Sale (Cake Raffle)</li> <li>South Site: Melissa Reutter</li> <li>Thank you to Andrea for coaching Jr and Sr Basketball team.</li> <li>Pink Shirt day assembly Feb 22<sup>nd</sup></li> <li>JK/SK will have Niagara Falls Art Gallery visits. 1st of 3 visits.</li> </ul>	Melissa Reuter
New Business	Child Care: Can be arranged for May in-person meeting. Caitlin/Cathy can reach out to School Board program.  May Meeting: to start at 7:00pm for in-person to allow time for refreshments. End time: 9:00 pm.  Yearbooks: Conversations in process. Caitlin will follow-up for next meeting.  Extracurricular Opportunities: Inquiring by Andrea Cooper on behalf of students re: available extra curricular activities/student involvement that is not sport/athletics. Opportunities exist and students can inquire with teacher for further details. Information also provided during morning announcements and on information screen in front entry way (South Site). Examples:  Band Positive Space Group/club Art Club (day 1) Rock Choir Leadership: Puma Athletic Council Morning Announcements Rock Climbing/Bouldering Intramurals	
Next Meeting Date/Time	Tuesday, April 4 @7:00 pm  No meeting: December, March, June	
Adjournment	8:40pm	