

Highview School Council Minutes

Date: Wednesday, June 13th, 2018

Chair: Ms. Sandi Horton **Principal:** Mr. Ian Pellizzari

Attendance

Parent Reps: Sandi Horton, Michael Merifield, Melissa Wagner-Wong (Secretary), Julia Zimmer, Jenny Bognar (Treasurer), Amanda Knowles, Melissa Noble, Christine Wagner, Charissa Low, Elizabeth McCoy, Sandra Askew

Community Rep: Annette Mills

Staff Reps: Mr. I. Pellizzari, Ms. C. Muller, Mr. J. McLean

Absent: Melissa McGinnis, Lincy Patel, Muhammad Bahaaddin, Jenilyn Santos, Tom Stewart, Erin McGinnis, Jodie Bocek, Ann Pearce, Ashraf Al-ibraheem, Pamela Wilson, Caitlind McVey, Jackie Zip-Labreche, Elaine O'Donnell, Stephanie Baschiera, Paula Wardle

Proceedings

Call to Order/ Welcome and Introductions:

Ms. Horton called the meeting to order at 6:16 p.m. All welcomed; Mr. McLean was introduced as Highview's new VP starting in September 2018.

Acceptance of Minutes:

Ms. Askew made a motion to accept May's minutes at 6:17 p.m. Ms. Zimmer seconded the motion, all in favour, minutes accepted.

Principal's Report (Mr. Pellizzari):

Mr. Pellizzari covered most of the business at the May Council Meeting, but proceeded to further introduce Mr. McLean and announced that he will be visiting Highview again before the end of the school year.

Mr. McLean informed Council that he has been a VP at R.A. Riddell for two years, has worked with Mr. Pellizzari in the past, and is excited to be at Highview.

Teacher's Report (Mme. Mueller):

No news to report.

Treasurer's Report (Ms. Bognar):

\$13,000.00 remaining, \$10,000.00 for equipment.

Ms. Noble informed Council that \$8,200.00 was the final amount for chocolates with two more boxes having recently been returned to Mr. Pellizzari.

Update on Bike Racks (Ms. Zimmer):

Highview is in one of three wards to get Healthy Kids Grant.

Two rounds of surveys have gone to teachers; collecting tomorrow.

Walk About starting at 7:45 a.m. for 1.5 hours, everyone welcome to come and join the meeting.

Initial Action Plan hopes to have the racks by September. The next steps will be done next school year. Now we need to show that we are trying to get kids to bike to school.

Placement of Bike Racks needs to be in a safe spot (Facilities Staff would install on grass). Mr. Pellizzari informed Council that a 6 ring rack would be \$800.00 approximately.

Mr. Merifield asked if Facilities would pour a concrete pad, but Mr. Pellizzari said no, citing expense as the reason.

Ms. Zimmer moved on to tell Council about the open air Photo Booth for Grade 8 grad (\$500.00 - \$565.00) with props for the students. Pictures will have Highview logo and message.

Ms. Wong shared that \$1,892.55 would be donated to the graduating class.

Update on B-Ball Nets and Benches:

Standard 6' pole Basketball Nets: \$2,295 + tax (installed)

Funnel: \$1,795.00 + tax

Aluminum Benches: \$595.00 + tax

(all HWDSB approved)

Mr. Pellizzari called company directly for prices and Ms. Horton said we could spend up to \$10,000.00 for new equipment.

Mr. Pellizzari met with neighbours this week who are upset about people playing basketball late at night; he talked to Facilities about turning off the lights at night. Neighbours have asked to close up the parking lot at night. People are even entering the kindergarten pen at night, so there are some nighttime security issues. Mr. Pellizzari has talked to the Board about it.

On a positive note, students are using equipment more (hula hoops, skipping ropes, etc.)

Ms. Bognar offered to prepare a plan to submit to Facilities. Everything should be on that plan, including the Kindie stage and path. We have to determine whether it will impact snow removal.

Ms. Bognar made a motion at 6:36 for Council to purchase two funnels and three benches, pending plan approval. Ms. Noble seconded the motion, all in favour, motion passed.

Final Housekeeping Issues (yearbooks, etc.):

Ms. Horton and Ms. Bognar discussed creating an Infographic for the school community, informing them of the money raised by Council and how it has been and will be spent. Formal organization is required and numbers must be given to Mr. Pellizzari.

Mr. Pellizzari said the deadline for the fundraising plan is October, and we need to let the community know what we are doing for the year. Mr. McLean added that it is a good idea to inform people what the year will look like.

The Nutrition Policy needs to be reviewed in the fall as per Mr. Pellizzari.

Mr. Pellizzari requested Council's feedback on changing the Meet the Teacher event to Meet the Educator in order to be more inclusive (EAs, etc.)

Ms. Horton asked if we should book food trucks now; Ms. Zimmer said the same three trucks that came to Open House will come again.

Ms. Bognar to confirm Lego Night too, perhaps it can coincide with Meet the Teacher.

Ms. Horton made Wednesday, October 3, 2018 the tentative date, but Mr. Pellizzari will take that date back to staff.

This is not a money maker, just a community event with a great mix of items offered.

Ms. Horton asked Council about planning monthly meetings for the 2018 – 2019 school year; Ms. Noble suggested the last Wednesday of every month and Ms. Horton

suggested the third Wednesday of every month. Mr. Pellizzari would like the 2018 – 2019 Council Members to make that decision.

New Business:

Ms. Noble asked what happened with the purchase of new pinnies as the students went to sporting events this spring and didn't have any to wear; they do go missing. Perhaps a \$20.00 deposit for pinnies. We have track next week, Mrs. Toth has old, stained t-shirts that she is trying to clean, but there aren't enough for the whole team. Ms. Horton said over 50 were bought with Bull Dogs money in 2015, but Ms. Noble added that these must have gone missing. Ms. Bognar said that perhaps students should just keep them.

Ms. Noble suggested that two colours were needed in multiple sizes with school name and logo. Students need to look good and be proud. She also informed Council that Ms. Kellner bought the soccer balls for the tournaments.

Mr. Pellizzari said that the school supports it. He approved two large orders this year, but that the equipment is in bad shape, not organized or labelled.

Mr. McLean is a former gym teacher and said that balls do go missing and that having an inventory is a must. He will talk to Riddell and check inventory (also spoke about have a washing machine at school).

Ms. Noble offered to order shirts or pinnies.

Ms. Horton offered to get a rough idea of the numbers needed and would update Council via Facebook over the summer.

Next Meeting/Motion to Adjourn:

Ms. Bognar made a motion to adjourn at 7:01. Motion was seconded by Ms. Zimmer, all in favour, motion passed.

Minutes recorded by: Melissa Wagner-Wong