

Janet Lee Elementary Parent Council Meeting Minutes

October 24, 2016

Welcome & Attendance

- The meeting was called to order by Co-chair Nicole at 6:35pm.

Guest Speaker: Margaret Reid

- Parent involvement Committee
 - Parental involvement with HWDSB
 - <http://www.hwdsb.on.ca/pic/files/2012/07/PIC-Brochure.pdf>
- My Path My Way
 - Wednesday October 26th at Michelangelo Banquet Centre
 - 6:30 pm
 - Grades 7-12, students, parents & guardians welcome
 - Transition to high school, programs and opportunity's for students
 - <http://www.hwdsb.on.ca/blog/students-and-families-invited-to-pathways-information-night/>
- Helping our children manage stress
 - November 15th.
 - Dinner 6-6:45pm RSVP dinner by November 11th
 - Presentation 7pm – 9pm
 - Saltfleet High School
 - All parents all grades welcome
 - <http://www.hwdsb.on.ca/saltfleet/files/2016/10/StressPosterHAC.docx>
- Hamilton Conservation Authority
 - "Name the Park" contest, deadline end of November
 - Winning class receives a free field trip, tour of the land
 - All grades welcome to enter
 - Near Dofasco Park
 - Green mountain Rd & First Rd. area

Financial Update

- Please see financial report

Principals Report

- Event Dates:
 - October celebration assembly: Friday October 28th 8:10am
 - Remembrance Day Assembly: Friday November 11th 8:10am
 - November 20th - 26th: Bullying Awareness & Prevention Week
 - Grade 8 graduation: Wednesday June 21, 2017
- Sports update
 - 1st overall cross country, names on athletic board
 - Volleyball: Girls Wednesday October 26th, Boys Tuesday November 1st
 - Jr. swim meet, grades 3-5 Wednesday November 23rd
- Mrs. Mielko - Craft club has started
- Ms. Chaisson - Band has started
- Photo proofs went home, retakes Nov 2nd, will have pictures before Christmas

- Monday October 31, 2016 - Halloween Events
 - Kinder parade: after announcements
 - Grades 1-5 parade: 1pm
 - Grades 6-8: Halloween dance 1pm
 - Haunted house – Mrs. Forrest
 - \$1 admission goes towards Raise the Roof or McMasters Children's Hospital
- HWDBS Annual goals – Improve Communication
 - Communication audit
 - Participants: all employee groups from HWDBS are represented, students, teacher & parent council representatives
 - Participate in surveys
 - Types of communications to & from the board, within the school & to parents
- Progress Reports
 - Grade 1-8: Go home November 2, 2016
 - November 3rd & 4th: Parent/Teacher interviews
 - FDK: Observations: take place over 2 weeks for parents during a scheduled time
 - No progress report given. Check list given on how their child(ren) are doing
- Grade 8 visit to Saltfleet
 - Wednesday November 2, 2016
 - Options day
 - Transition to high school
 - Walk over
 - Preparation for option sheets
- 1st Practice Lockdown
 - Monday November 14th
 - Community & Beat Officers attend – give recommendations for improvement if needed
 - Three levels: Shelter in Place, Hold & Secure, Lockdown
 - See Secure Schools Protocol
 - <http://www.hwdsb.on.ca/wp-content/uploads/2012/05/Secure-Schools-Protocol.pdf>
- Bulldogs Game to promote literacy
 - Wednesday November 16th
 - Grades 3-6
 - \$15 for ticket & bus
 - Concession open, but bring lunches
- Vaccines
 - November 22nd & 23rd
 - Grades 7-8 HPV vaccine
- Holiday Food Drive
 - November 21st – December 1st
 - Donation go to the Good Shepherd
 - Possible coat drive as well
- Fundraising
 - Chocolate
 - Kick off assembly & letters to parents: Monday November 7th
 - Chocolate goes home Tuesday November 8th
 - Movie Nights: Friday February 10, 2017 & Friday April 7, 2017
 - Fun Fair: Saturday May 13, 2017

New Business

- What your children wishes you knew
 - Wednesday November 2, 2016 at Silvercity Hamilton Mountain
 - Presentation on inappropriate online content
 - No charge to attend
 - Presented by Fight The New Drug
 - http://www.hwdsb.on.ca/saltfleet/files/2016/10/Parent-Conference-2016_Final.pdf
- Bus Funding
 - Motion: From Principal Anderson: To provide bus funding for HWDSB activities (competitions, athletics, and band)
 - Vote: Motion carried
 - Resolved: Will provide bus funding for HWDSB activities

Adjournment

- Meeting adjourned 7:40pm
- Next Meeting: Monday November 28th 6:30pm

Minutes taken by Amanda Cowden