

École Élémentaire Michaëlle Jean School Council Meeting Minutes

April 20, 2017

Members Present:

Agenda Item	Discussion/Action Taken	Person(s) Responsible
Welcome & Attendance	S. Hall welcomed everyone. The meeting was brought to order at 6:34 pm. Quorum was not achieved.	
Review & Approval of Previous Minutes	Minutes were not reviewed or approved as quorum could not be met.	
Agenda Review		
Standing Reports;		•
Principal's Report	 School council to complete Principal placement survey by April 28 (to superintendent). S. Hall to submit one copy. Secure schools procedure. Now contains 2 lockdown (hold and secure) practices, 1 shelter in place practice, 1 bomb threat practice and 6 fire drills per year. There was a discussion of roles during the new bomb threat procedure. The building is to be evacuated and first responders will arrive without sirens. The word 'bomb' is not to be used. Students will grab coats and go outside. Bellmoore transition update. Principal meeting will occur at the beginning of May. Parking lot update. They will revamp this summer. The drawings were shown to members of council. A sidewalk will be added and a new 'kiss and ride' area will occur at the left side of the building. Library questions were answered (asbestos is located in ceiling and tiles). Directions to library reno committee: unable to paint or change room structurally. Committee is able to purchase furniture. The board directive is to move away from stand alone computers. The circulation desk cannot be moved from it's current location. There is currently a library volunteer. The desks in the library will be moved to storage. Sidebar- Hydration system install by Kerr Mechanical (Plumbing \$1500, electrical \$500, station \$1000). J. Nunn is looking to cover a portion of this cost. Water testing: custodian must be trained in well water testing. Testing occurs 3 times daily. The well is near the primary end of the school. Water is flushed at the far end (gym) every morning. 	B. Arsovic

	Lead: water is tested yearly for lead. Lead was detected in 2016 but was well below safe levels.	
	Nitrates: water is tested every 3 months.	
	Hallways: boots, etc. in halls is a problem. All schools are moving away from the use of lockers and towards hooks. Parents wrote letter to S.O. There is still a question about how to organize so that halls are safe. The school is currently looking for a solution.	
Teacher's Report	 Boys basketball is finished. Clinics will run for other students. Volleyball clinics will begin soon. French book fair May 2-4 Heart Healthy presentation to grades 1-6 will occur at the beginning of May. The grade 7 and 8's will work with primary classes to do mindfulness activities. French café and arts night: May 17th. There will be a play, choir, band performances. Classrooms will be open. EQAO: May 23rd to June 5th Books have been purchased with the \$1000 given by school council. French system librarian made purchases. She also gave a gift of scholastic French books to the school. 	Mme Smith
Treasurer's Report	Current balance: 11329.97	J. Galea (in
	Amount gained from chocolate fundraiser approx. \$4240	absentia)
Previous/On-going	Business	
Fundraising	 Boston Pizza. Opportunity to host fundraising dinners. We could make \$10/meal. They have ideas for prizes as well that they will donate. Board needs to be notified of all fundraisers in September (how many and when). 	S. Hall
Library	 Questions were sent in email to Mrs. Arsovic Next meeting will possibly be held in the library 	S. Hall
Fun Fair	 S. Hall stated a need to cancel the Fun fair for this year Some committee members interested in taking it up and keeping with tradition to have one this year Look at possibly having a family picnic with food trucks instead of what was traditionally done. A package of information will be put together for approval 	S. Hall
Grants	 Indigo grant has been submitted. Details will be released at the end of May. Pro Grant to be submitted by S. Hall 	
Adjournment	The meeting was adjourned at 8:14 pm	
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