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School Council Meeting
Thursday, October 17, 2024

In Attendance:

Mark Hopkins - Principal
Suzanne Hall - Chair
Brittany Hunter - Secretary
Trish Rayner - Treasurer
Paul Hatala – Voting Member
Joanna Seymour - Voting Member
Wendy Mahabir - Voting Member
Shiny Thomas - Voting Member
Julie Sadonoja - Voting Member
Jen Valente - Voting Member
Sarah Ewing - Voting Member
Laden Milsome - Voting Member
Wendy Tanner - Voting Member
Floriane Schroers - Voting Member
Elisha Szafran- Voting Member
Maria Patrineli
Danielle Pacey

Meeting Stated at 6:34 PM

1. Welcome

- Establish quorum, quorum reached with 14 voting members in attendance

2. Land Acknowledgement

3. Approval of Minutes

- **Motion: To approve September 2024 School Council minutes** (Suzanne Hall)
 - Second: Julie Sadonja
 - For: 13
 - Against: 0
 - Abstentions: 1
 - Motion Carried: Yes



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4. Treasurers Update

- Nothing new to report

5. Fundraising

- Teacher and school planned events for this year, September was the Terry Fox run, and May will be Jump Rope for Heart. Others may come up throughout the year, but these are the consistent ones.
- Look to raise money for Empowerment Squared again
- Space Black History Month presentations throughout the year, not just in February
- Fundraise for school specific things, transportation included, and look to get a Wishlist from teachers and students in regard to what they think would be beneficial to their day
- Look into fundraising for specific French based software to use as a resource for students and families
- Look into doing a Mitten Tree of Hope or Socks to donate to community closets or places within the community
- **New Fundraising Suggestions**
 - Julie
 - Winter Carnaval, bring families in to participate in activities after school, with a bake sale or raffles, maybe in February
 - Elisha
 - Card Box, \$35.00 a box to sell with an \$11.00 profit. They also provide prizes for a certain amount sold
 - Community Kickback, partner with a restaurant to provide a community night where the profits of that night get donated back to the school
 - Krispy Kreme, need to know now to book and get a better limit, look into the new year
 - French Cafe- look at options to make in more equitable, have French Cafe during open house for full school engagement
 - Trish
 - Poinsettias, similar pricing to last year as well as gift card deals, Runs from end of October to mid-December
 - World's Finest Chocolate- 40- 50-dollar profit per case
 - Apples- 6.00 profit per five-pound bag



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- Popcorn- 30 dollars profit per case at 2 dollars min. 5 cases to order
- Danielle
 - Mabel's Labels- ongoing fundraising
- Brittany
 - Gift Cards- ongoing fundraising
- Voted on new fundraising ideas
 - Apples- 1
 - Poinsettias- 12
 - Popcorn- 9
 - Chocolate- 8
 - Winter Carnaval- 8
 - Card Box- 11
 - Krispy Kreme- 12
 - French Cafe- 15
 - Books- 14
- Decided on an idea of a fundraising template for the school year
 - September – Terry Fox
 - October
 - November – Big Box of Cards
 - December – Poinsettias
 - January
 - February
 - March – Krispy Kreme
 - April
 - May – Open House/French Café/Book Sale/Bake Sale
 - June – End of Year BBQ (Not a Fundraiser)
- Volunteers for the fundraising committee
 - Julie
 - Wendy T.
 - Elisha
 - Trish
 - Floriane
 - Sarah
 - Wendy M.
 - Lesley
- 6. New Business (Suzanne)
 - SLACK is up and running



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- Santa Claus Parade is a Go.
- No Floats – Insurance won't cover
- Need volunteers to help
 - Julie
 - Paul
 - Laden
 - Elisha
 - Trish
 - Floriane
 - Jen V
 - Sarah

7. Principals Report (Mark Hopkins)

- Round Table
 - MJ School Improvement Plan
 - Parent/Student/Teacher Conferences- Online booking coming soon
 - Thursday, November 21st
 - Thinking Interdependently—Habits of Mind- Lions Assembly
 - Gr 7& 8 Information Nights
 - My Professional Learning-Anti-Black Racism Critical Inquiry (with 2 staff members)
 - Commencement communication/student/staff voice coming soon
 - Halloween Parade Same as Last Year
 - Will give a specific time
 - Information about how to choose a costume to come

8. Next Meeting

- Date Change! Due to Parent-Teacher Interviews
- Thursday, November 28th at 6:30pm
- In the Learning Commons

Meeting Adjourned at 8:15pm