
Parent Council Meeting

Thursday, April 24, 2025

Attendees

Chantal, Laura, Donna, Danielle, Lara, Heather, Ena, Kathryn, Kendra, Janelle, Wendy, Marissa, Kelly, Steph, Ali, STAFF: Alison Mason (Teacher Rep) & Tracy Walsh (Principal)

Agenda Items

Welcome

- ★ Meeting called to order at 6:15pm
- ★ Approval of March 2025 meeting minutes: 1st - Heather, 2nd - Janelle - All in favour

Principal/Teacher Reports

- ★ Principals Report (Please see attached)
- ★ Asked T Walsh if the school needs more tech this year, answer was no
- ★ Forms for trips will come out 2 weeks prior and will close 1 week prior because parents are not sending back on time and teachers hunting down form day before and day of
- ★ Discussed having an Ice Cream Truck for end of school, possibly on June 20 (Playday)
- ★ Ms May: In need of small boxes for a project
- ★ Earth Day clean up was a big success! We hope to continue clean-up behind Millgrove Children's Centre next year. Thank you to the Eco Club for being Eco lea
- ★ Mason: Mental Health week runs May 5-9. Positive school climate leaders are helping to organize activities and make posters for the week Including a Duckie Scavenger Hunt

Updates and Events

- ★ Book Swap
 - Ready to go for May 15
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- May 1 is the date to start collecting the books at the school
- ★ Go For Green
 - May 30 and Laura, Chantal and Ena are putting it together
- ★ Front Hallway
 - Want it done before the Gr 5's leave so pushing through to get this complete
 - The person doing it needs a weekend to do it
 - Asking \$4500 (previously set aside \$3500, will ask council for \$1000 more)
- ★ Open House
 - May 6 from 5-6:30
 - Optimist will be doing a BBQ again
 - Donna and Steph will run the scholastic book fair
 - Airband at the end
- ★ Kinder Orientation
 - May 15 and Ena will be Parent Council rep
- ★ Grade 5 Celebration
 - Balloon arch, cake, coffee/juice
 - No funds needed from council at this time
- ★ Rural School Fund Allocation
 - Need sand in the Kinder area
 - The plexiglass on the wood structure needs repair (Laura will look into this)
- ★ Grade 4 & 5 trips
 - It is believed the Boston Pizza nights brought in approx \$1000 which should cover the trips subsidy
- ★ PIC Youth Well-Being Day
 - May 31st, 9-2 at Sherwood S.S.
 - Will be posted on Facebook
- ★ Pro Grant
 - BRAVE Education - this works on peer conflict and how to be a kind and respectful person
 - Talks about issues around use of words and talk of other racial features

- Still need to decide whether to target a specific age group or the whole school
- T Walsh to reach out to her contact for more info

Budget Update

- ★ Orders are in for the whole year except June's Booster Juice
- ★ Currently have \$9500
 - Less \$1500 Dinner & Skate carry forward
 - Less \$1000 Playground carry forward
 - Less \$4500 mural
 - Less \$500 Go 4 Green
 - Plus \$150 to still come in from M & M's fundraiser
- ★ **Leaves \$2150 left for spending**
- ★ NOTE: Dinner & Skate ended up costing \$800 for the Ice at the subsidized rate and weren't charged for the kitchen/hall rental (paid)

Fundraising

- ★ Cider/Wine
 - Steph is looking to organize this fundraiser through Fielding Estate Winery
 - Up to 25% back of sales of wine, cider and Gift Cards (% probably depending on the item sold)
 - Orders can be by paper or online
 - Orders ready 1 week after close of sales and will be delivered by the winery
 - Talked about running this the last 2 weeks of May
 - Will need to run the concept by T Gunn
- ★ Samosa day
 - Heather will organize
 - Cost is \$1+ per samosa, charge \$2 per samosa
- ★ Bring ideas for next year fund raising to the meeting in May

Spending

- ★ Laura motioned to spend \$1000 more on the Mural and upgrades (for a total of \$4500), 2nd - Steph, All in Favour
- ★ Kendra motioned to spend \$500 on the Kinder Trip, 2nd - Laura, All in Favour
- ★ Janelle motioned to spend \$650 on an Ice Cream Truck for end of school treats, 2nd - Steph, All in Favour

General Discussion

- ★ Discussion on how to run the Kinder picnic - order food and/or allow store bought donations etc
- ★ What happened to the Spring Food Drive? Discussed asking people to bring some canned items to the Open House and Kinder Orientation night

Adjournment

- ★ Laura motioned to Adjourn, 2nd - Ena, All in Favour

Next Meeting

- ★ Thursday, May 15, 2025 - 6:15pm

Subsequent eVote

eVote - April 30, 2025 - May 1, 2025

- ★ After receiving the funds from Boston Pizza for the Grade 4 and 5 Trip Fundraisers, and splitting that evenly between the 2, requesting to **spend an additional \$220** to bring the cost to \$24.91/student for Medieval Times (This also helps support the entry fees for volunteers). Vote put forward by C.Kemp (Co-Chair) by email to 21 Council Members (need 10 yes votes to be passed)
 - Kendra motioned to spend \$220 to subsidize the Medieval Times Field Trip, 2nd - Ena



- Yay Votes - 11, Nay Votes 0
- Motion Passed on May 1, 2025

Principal's Report -School Council Meeting
Thurs. April 24, 2024, 6:15pm, Millgrove Learning Commons

People

- Confirmed increase in LRT allocation .5 to 1.0
- Posting for a .5 permanent vacancy (Jr. Core French, Prep coverage)

School Annual Plan

- April Staff meeting: Acadiance, ORF, Maze Reading Assessments and Interventions
- *HWDSB strategic directions: Creating conditions for learning; identity affirming curriculum and teaching practices (recognising and honouring the various aspects of a person's identity); and responding to student need*
- *Millgrove: Increasing Well-being: Belonging, Connecting, Mattering, Accountability/ownership of actions and choices*
- *Celebrate/Monitor/Improve reflection tool -school improvement reflection, goals, plans (improving literacy, numeracy, future preparedness, engagement, well-being)*

Plant/Facilities

Health & Safety

- Annual Joint Health & Safety inspection completed April 23
- Reminder no equipment from home for outdoor play

Partnerships (Families & the Community)

- Gr. 4 & 5 Volleyball 6 wk workshop (3 completed)
- June -Supporting Grade 5 Student Transitions to Greenville -LRT/Admin. Meetings; visit and playday opportunities to have all grade 5's connecting prior to September arrival -location both schools
- May 6th Spring Open House 5-630pm -Optimist BBQ, Scholastic Bookfair
- May 15th 5-6pm Kindergarten Orientation (LC/Classrooms), Book Swap (Gym)
- May 30th GFG

School Requests:

- Subsidize portion of Gr. 3/4/5 Track & Field Bus (June 19th) -share with Greenville?
- GRADE 4/5 BOSTON PIZZA fundraising totals?
- Sub. portion of Gr. 4 (22) Medieval Times May 22nd \$1650.02 + train free for students*
- Sub. portion of Gr. 5 (26) Altitude June 13th \$1145.82 + \$310.75= \$1456.57 /\$56.02pp
- Sub. portion of K Trip Imaginasium/Ancaster May 20th \$1185.37 + \$423.75 \$1609.12 \$32.18pp
- Playday: ice cream truck?