

June School Council Meeting
June 19, 2025

In Attendance:

Chantal Kemp
Laura Zonta
Lindsay Dale
Donna Gerritsen
Lara Finlayson
Janelle Beacom
Heather Govender
Kendra Marchand
Steph Becker
Ena Roosimagi
Wendy Teed
Jennifer Woodfine
Tracy Walsh
Alison Mason

Approval of Minutes from APRIL and MAY Meeting

Laura 1st
Donna 2nd
All in favour

*****Teacher and Principal's Report is attached to these minutes as an addendum**

Updates and Events:

- ➔ Front hallway looks amazing – thanks to Mrs. Walsh for making connection to artist. Looking to possibly bring him back to do the Learning Commons and Gym next year.
- ➔ Yearbook is moving along. Jen Woodfine is happy to pass along instructions to the next parent who wants to help take it over. It's about 6-8 hours of work to put it all together and a day or 2 to print them. We used the Printing Corner in Waterdown
- ➔ We reviewed events for the next school year. Chantal to meet with Tracy to set dates so we have them for the first council meeting in September
- ➔ Reviewed the constitution and the amendments proposed by C. Kemp. Amendments were adopted. 1st – Donna, 2nd – Lindsay. All in favour.
- ➔ Reviewed election process and executive roles
- ➔ Discussed Fibar installation for the end of the summer. Chantal to get quote and book. Rural school funding to be used. Sand will need to be done at Fall Go For Green.
- ➔ Summer caretaking – propose 1-2 days in the summer (on Facebook) where we can get together and tidy the yard.
- ➔ Discussed Pizza Day and Book fair duties – Steph B. Said she could take over book fair from Donna.

Budget:

- \$15,425 raised this year by council! Way to go!
 - We paid for:
 - > Fund classroom supplies
 - > Purchase new outdoor play equipment
 - > Purchase outdoor learning support equipment
 - > Purchase kinder learning enhancements
 - > Purchase in classroom learning enhancements
 - > Funded programs like Roxy Rings and Jungle Sport for 2026
 - > Subsidized class trips and busses for events like cross country and track and field
 - > Subsidized costs for Dinner and Skate and Go for Green
 - > Covered costs for our Diwali celebration
 - > Funded our beautiful, brand new Mural in our front hallway!
- ➔ Carry over for 2025 / 2026 school year: \$1500 for Dinner and Skate, \$1000 to the playground fund.

Fundraising:

- Probable switch from Johnny's to Gino's for pizza
- Everyone is in favour of keeping subway and booster juice, but now they will alternate every Wednesday for consistency
- We love M&M's days and next year we will do the Cobb's cards
- We need to find a new restaurant instead of Boston Pizza to do some Millgrove Nights.

Spending Votes:

- \$3390 for Fibar – Laura – Motion, Lindsay – 2ND – All in Favour
- \$100 for Ice Cream Truck top up - Donna – Motion, Ena – 2nd – All in Favour

Adjournment – Next Meeting – September 25, 2025 @ 6:15pm

Chantal – Motion to adjourn

Kendra - 2nd

Principal's Report -School Council Meeting

Thurs. June 19, 2024, 6:15pm, Millgrove Learning Commons

People

- Current hiring process/interviews for .5 permanent vacancy (Jr. Core French, Prep coverage)
- Reading Specialist Jane Burlaynette moving on to new role in Sept. -thank you for supporting Millgrove

School Annual Plan

- June Staff & PD meetings: HWDSB Cyber security and privacy training, transitioning of students/families/programming/assessment/spec. ed documents to new educators/classrooms
- *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

- Hallway/foyer entrance mural complete and beautiful! Thank you to Jack @ Illusion Images

Health & Safety

- All inspections up to date, fire drills complete, lockdown practice drill: Mon. June 16th in afternoon
- Reminder no equipment/toys from home for outdoor play

Partnerships (Families & the Community)

- A big thank you to School Council exec and members for supporting all students and staff at Millgrove! Looking forward to partnering for the 2025/26 school year 😊 First School Council meeting: Thursday September 25, 2025 @615pm *council election