

MINUTES

PRESENT:

Heather Lambert-Hillen, *Co-Chair*
Jennifer Evans, *Co-Chair*
Carolyn Reid, *Secretary*
John Bradley, *Acting Principal*
Jennifer Bonner

Jelica Vlatkovic
Tricia Jacobs
Tami Huffman
Shannon-Leigh Chandler
Josie Roberts

Meeting called to order by H. Lambert-Hillen at 6:35 pm

- Welcome and introductions around the room. A special welcome to Mr. Bradley, our Acting Principal.
- Minutes from the January 15th, 2018 were approved, all in favour.
- Tonight's agenda was approved, all in favour.
- Samples of Pita Pit smoothies were available to sample, along with several Domino's Pizzas; fundraising information follows here below.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT, *J. Bradley:*

- Many staffing changes have occurred recently: Mme. Amodeo has returned from Maternity Leave. LRT/Grade 6 welcomes Mme. Beaudoin. Welcome to the Office, Mme. Russell. Mr. Bradley is leaving on Thursday, and Mr. Hazell returns as Acting Principal until the end of June.
- Welcome to our new, permanent Vice Principal, Mme. Evans!
- Extra-curricular sports have been going strong, including Sr. basketball, Jr. basketball, Sr. swim team, and Gr. 7/8 intramural dodgeball.
- Active club activities include Squares of Care, chess club, knitting club, recycling club, and coding club.
- In the arts, Jr. and Sr. bands continue to prepare for Bandfest and the upcoming Spring concert. Drama club is preparing for the gr. 4/5 play, *Wonder*.
- Upcoming events include class trips, International Day of Pink, Concours Oratoire, swim meet, Grade 7/8 trip to Ottawa, Graduation, MADD Canada presentation to gr. 7/8, etc.
- Gr. 3/6 EQAO testing will be completed between May 23 and June 4.

2018/19 SCHOOL YEAR UPDATES:

- We anticipate 23 classes for year, with the possibility of adding another grade 1 class in September.
- The teacher allocation has been reduced by one 0.5 teacher, and class period lengths will be adjusted to accommodate.
- Student class placement requests are to be in writing to Mr. Hazell by June 1st, 2018.

DROP-OFF LOCATION UPDATE, *J. Bradley:*

- A kiss-and-ride loop has been requested for the North Side of the playground; we will lose 1/3 of the playground if it is put in place.
- A staggered opening will be put in the back fence, so that students can enter the playground from South Bend Rd.
- A pathway from Warren Ave. to the playground has been requested and is being studied; will require a site plan amendment.
- Discussion was held around drop-off concerns, bussing issues, etc.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

- Year-to-date balance is still being finalized.
- We lost money on the Holiday Lunch due to less meals being paid for, and bigger portions being served.
- Discussion held around 2018 Holiday Lunch: Should Council pay for everyone, so that no child is left out? Should students who don't pay have to bring their own lunch? No student should miss the celebration unless parents/culture/religion do not allow them to participate.

*** Further discussion tabled until September, 2018**

FUNDRAISING:

- We will hold a trial smoothie sale. Smoothies from Pita Pit cost \$3 per smoothie (\$0.50 profit). **VOTE HELD: ALL IN FAVOUR.**
- Discussion held around holding a non-food fundraiser, so that students with allergies can participate.
- Gr. 3-6 trip to Crawford Lake falls on a Wednesday, therefore move fundraising lunch to Thursday.

PIC Update, *H. Lambert-Hillen:*

- Annual volunteer appreciation is being held on April 17th, all school volunteers will be invited. RSVP by April 10th.

FASLAC Update, *H. Lambert-Hillen:*

- Sherwood Secondary School is looking to make sure that French Immersion students have enough credits without having to take night-school, etc. Secondary course options and transition updates are available.
- Frenchopolooza is not taking place this year.

FRENCH CAFÉ:

- Thank you to the many teachers who have volunteered to run events.
- Mystery room is still a mystery!
- West Jet application for prize is in the final stages.
- BBQ will include Halal items this year.
- Dominos offers multiple deliveries through the evening, rather than all pizzas being delivered at the start of the event.
- We sampled Dominos pizza tonight, and voted that cookies and Dominos pizza will be available in the Café this year. **VOTE HELD: ALL IN FAVOUR.**
- Discussion held around the budget for prizes, treasure box, supplies, etc.
- Discussion held around hiring someone to do Henna, to avoid the lineups. Include a time sign-up?
- Discussion held around the art sale; propose a size limit? Ask teachers to consider whether they would want to bring home the item. T. Huffman will discuss options with the teachers.
- Gr. 6/7 students are welcome to volunteer for the evening.

UPCOMING TOWN HALL MEETING

- Tuesday, April 24: Town Hall meeting with Trustee Dawn Danko and Superintendent Paul Denomme.
- Child care will be available for school-age children.
- Questions must be submitted in advance to H. Lambert-Hillen.

ACTION ITEMS:

- T. Huffman to discuss French Café art sale with teachers.
- Holiday Lunch to be discussed at September, 2018 School Council Meeting.

UPCOMING SCHOOL COUNCIL DATES:

- Tuesday, April 24: Town Hall Meeting
- Monday, May 28

Meeting Adjourned at 8:10 pm by H. Lambert-Hillen

**The next School Council Meeting / TOWN HALL MEETING
will be held at 6:30pm on Tuesday, April 24th, in the Norwood Park Music Room**