**Council Meeting Minutes**

**Date: October 20th, 2015**

**Time: 6:00 pm**

**Location:** Room 5

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**In Attendance** : Nancy Kish, Amanda MacLeod-Smith, Aunika Hinks, Rachel Kostuk, Riann Kinniburgh, Dawn Danko, Heather Taylor, Stefanie Sheils, Mrs. Creegan

Community Representative : Julie Jacobs, Marlene Weil, Rob Stringer

Principal: Mr. D. Steele

**1.****Call to Order** 6:02 pm

**2. Agenda and Minutes Review**

**3. Chair's/Co-Chair's Report**

* Movie night November 6th @ Mt. Hamilton Baptist Church (Leanne Friesen) Inside Out.
* Christmas Carol Sing date tentatively set for Dec. 10th; to be confirmed with Jim Witter.
* Discussed traffic/children's safety; Dawn Danko to draft map of school grounds/parking etc.
* Christmas Store December 10th & 11th.
* Possibly have Christmas assembly Tuesday, December 15th, to be confirmed by staff.
* Stefanie to compose monthly newsletter starting November (mention forming a mascot committee with contact as *queensdaleschool@gmail.com* )
* Classrooms to have collection envelopes, with class lists for money collection. Children can bring it to the office along with attendance when necessary.

**4. Fundraising**

* Samko, December 3 **-** 6, details to follow.
* Council voted against poinsettias, discussed Little Ceasar's Pizza as a possible fundraiser**.**

**Use of fundraising dollars:**

* Voted yes to basketball jerseys (pending colour/mascot design)
* Voted yes to Rocks and Rings (2 days) (Mid-week date in February to be determined)
* Subsidize t-shirts, field trips
* Front garden allowance for Mr. Stringers class as part of curriculum, to be completed in Spring. (Julie suggested contacting Northland Nurseries)
* Discussed the need for more technology in the classrooms; Dawn Danko to clarify (if school funds are used to purchase technology we will not receive our entitled amount in the future)
* Green Apple Grant from Metro; $500.00 towards a valid nutritional program. We could possibly use it towards our apple program. December 31st deadline for proposal. (Stefanie to inquire at *greenapple.metro.ca* )

**6. Other Business/ Dates to Remember:**

* Musical (Stefanie and Leanne): Rehearsals can commence on November 5th and 12th, and continue on Wednesdays and Thursdays until March (ending at 4:30 ), Mr. Stringer's room may be used as an extra space for students during rehearsals. Goal for musical is the first week of March. Stefanie toprovide Julie with a list of involved students, and distribute a separate newsletter pertaining to the musical.

**Important Dates:**

* Popcorn : 1st Wednesday of every month; second break
* First Musical Rehearsal: Thu. November 5th
* Movie night: Fri. November 6th
* Remembrance Day Assembly: Wed. November 11th, 10:45
* Next Council meeting: Tues. November 17th
* Spirit Days : Thu. November 20th -- Sports theme

Fri. January 22nd --- Pajama Day

* Pizza/Sub Days: Thu. November 20th -- Pizza

Fri. January 15th -- Subs

* Christmas Store: December 10th and 11th (set-up Dec. 9th)

**7. Teachers' Report:**

Kindergarten:

Mrs. Morin: Fall activities, sorting, nature walks

Mrs. Tunstead: Sorting and describing attributes, investigating pumpkins and fall changes, letter sounds

Grade 1:

Mrs. Thomson: Writing complete sentences, creating graphs

Grade 1/2:

Mrs. Murray: Proper sentence writing, adding detail and adjectives, starting daily 5 centres, addition and subtraction and money, living things, research project on animals

Mrs. Johnson: Animals and their habitats, print-making, writing complete sentences and the rules for sentence writing, common and proper nouns, counting by 2,3,5 and 10, hundreds charts and patterning

Grade 2/3:

Mrs. Asrani: Writing proper paragraphs, place value and finishing science unit on soil (Gr.3) and air and water (Gr. 2)

Grade 3/4:

Miss Novosad: Canada and Ontario, money and addition and subtraction, rocks, minerals and soil

Grade 4/5:

Mrs. Carr: Summarizing in reading, Canada (Gr. 4) and Government (Gr. 5); both grades" voted" in Federal Election on October 16th

Grade 5/6:

J. Flewelling: Visited polling station as we are learning about Government.

Grade 6/7:

Mr. Stringer: Success strategies: 3 simple things successful people do, mindfulness, SMART goals. Using iPads for daily writing, research and documenting our science projects (such as model habitats). Cyber-bullying and good decision making.

Ms. Blanchette: Making connections in reading, community building, improving fitness levels.

Grade 6: suspense stories and punctuation, comparing decimals

Grade 7: Personal narratives about standing up for something, integers

French:

Mr. G: Grade 4/5: Role playing, introducing oneself, using eyes & body language.

Grade 5/6: Learning vocabulary needed for classroom games.

Deaf/Hard of hearing:

Mrs. Rossi: Wrote recipes and made applesauce, students have been welcomed by all the teachers and students in the new classrooms.

Resource: Mrs. Weil

Grade 2/3: (office) Empower

Grade 1 --3: LLI , 3 groups, Mr. G. 2 groups, Rm 12, 15, 8; in class support as needed

**8. Meeting Adjourned** 7:50 pm