ITEM	NOTES
SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING JAN 18 2023	
ATTENDANCE	
Kelly	
Gillian	
Mel	
Jessica W	
Jessica C	
Kimberly Ashley	
Natasha	
Sandy	
Kelly H	
DJ	
Nicole	
Lucy	
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WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS	Requested all council members to do a
Jessica W	small introduction of themselves for new
	Principal Kelly Reilly-Scott
	Minutes approved from two previous
	meetings
	New communications (emailed newsletter)
	positively received by Council and other
	SWL families.
	Thank-you to council for successful Winter
	Wonderland event. Staff and community
	very excited and happy to have in school
	events again.
PRINCIPAL REPORT	Primary team closing gaps in reading
Kelly Reilly-Scott	Hoolthy Action Tooms (HAT) hooting variety of
	Healthy Action Team (HAT) hosting variety of
	stations in the gym for Bell lets talk day (Wednesday), requests council to support
	as needed.
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	Staff meeting next week, review Board
	annual plan, how to respond/support
	Safety of parking lot- limit traffic, encourage
	walking, pylons already having positive
	effect.

	Nutrition policy- due to allergies, limit food items into school and use different ways to celebrate birthdays (stickers, pencils, fidget toys etc.) Possibility of moving Council meetings to Thursday to co-ordinate with staff meeting
TEACHERS REPORT Mel Collingwood	Winter Wonderland AMAZING Spirit days prior to winter break Staff vs Student volleyball games – FUN!
	ROAR assembly for Open heartedness in December
	Academics in January
	Senior basketball & Senior swimming Grades 6-8 in February
	Phonics and math blasters ended in December, new phonics groups into January-March
	January 27 PD Day
	Report Cards Feb 17
	Kindness board outside of library, students encouraged to write positive affirmations and words of encouragement to each other. Well received by staff and students
VICE- PRINCIPAL REPORT Gillian Stafford	Greg's thoughts on Winter Wonderland
Gillian Stanord	Fabulous event! So many people/families in attendance
	Huge thank you to School Council on a successful event! Loved it!
	Hopefully becomes an annual event

Tickets for baskets and Hockey need to be different to avoid confusion

Written list of ticket winners to make pickup and distribution smoother

Sing – A – Long as well as choir performance

In person activity vs take home

Event exceeded expectations

Gym set up- only one day worked well

Hot chocolate big hit, demand exceeded expectations, consider purchasing cambro for future events

Access to school for families during event – families were looking to tour school and classrooms not just be in the gym

Security of some type to monitor hallways & families if school is closed off

Consider connecting with open house or other school event

Cash float- new procedure, office needs minimum one week notice to procure funds

Email communications to include all council members and admin support to ensure everyone is included

Clearly communicate with staff to limit disruptions

Gym set up – tables in middle caused traffic flow problems

Chairs well used, consider different configuration next time

Communication / promotion to school more consistent

CHAIR REPORT Jessica Walker	Pros & Cons of Winter Wonderland Change in policy about float was not disclosed to council, admin should be
	responsible to notify council of new and or revised policies
	Times about set-up documented multiple times and places on chart, Greg didn't notice.
Council Open discussion	Natasha Amazing event, thanks to Ashley for hot chocolate help!
	Cambro for future events good idea
	Suggestions received from parents Ticket size to increase Tickets difficult to fill out and maintain control of children in the gym
	Sandy Leaf tickets / and tickets completely separate (was previously discussed and decided on during council meetings prior to Winter Wonderland event) Great event
	Ashley Hot chocolate should have 2 lines next time Bigger raffle tickets Crowd control/ensure crowd is moving
	Mel Tickets too small Prices good for tickets Prebagged tickets very popular More choir performance time Some staff felt pressure to ensure basket donations were plentiful – next time pair up classes to ease pressure

Incorporate Roary the Lion Kelly H Bigger tickets Huge turn out Felt choir wasn't focused enough

Jess W

Basket Raffle raised \$2714 Leaf tickets \$760/780 Sub & Pizza days Email about vendors

Natasha

Monthly sub day (6inch)

Subway - \$4.75 Firehouse too expensive Mega subs \$3.75 sell for \$5.00- will do free delivery on Fridays

Will arrange for February 24th first sub day Order forms need to be dropped off 2 days prior to delivery date, Sandy & Mel offered to drop off

Kelly RS HAT to help with food days (distribution/organization)

Jess W

Form for cash online – try to have all sub payments be done online

Sandy

When order forms come in, need to verify with Cash online

Jess C

Raffle & Hockey tickets were distinctly different as discussed in previous meetings, raffle tables and hockey tables were completely separated to ensure little confusion

Council needs designated space in school for supplies, décor, and operations of food days & events.

Supply room behind AIM isn't always available, interrupting AIM isn't great Use of bottom cupboards in staff kitchen for council storage

Gillian

Space issue in the school, AIM is unable to be used, change room is in violation of health & safety (being emptied) no longer available to use

Backroom of AIM is where current council items are

Stationary items, files, cash boxes etc. no problem to store, décor could be an issue Cupboards in staff kitchen to be emptied and changed to council space

Jess W

Prayer space in girls change room, praying in a storage room seems disrespectful Equity & diversity team to aid in solutions? Gillian- students are accommodated as requested for private prayer time. Students cannot be unattended while in the school, prayer room must be visible/accessible by staff

Muslim staff who use current prayer room have full private access at anytime. No other room can accommodate that. Furniture to be removed

Jess W

Proposed bake sale (as requested by some council members)

Admin advised against sharing food, liability issues

Jess W

Suggested dance or popcorn instead of bake sale

Gillian

Prepackaged candy (store bought)

Sandy

Grade 8 Candy grams

Mel

Glow in the dark items

Candy grams

Cookie company (prepacked) – weekly sale as a regular fundraiser – possibly not within nutrition guideline

Kelly H Flower grams Glow sticks

Ashley

Questions for council from parents Boys' washroom missing door on one stall Gillian – work order issued, backlogged accommodations to other washrooms have been made and students notified

Grade 8 trip? Meeting with grade 8 commencement team, trip is up for discussion

Kelly H

Black history month speaker been booked? Lucy will speak with Deo Jess W waiting to hear back and will follow up

Lucy

Will help proof school cash online letter to families – address clarity concerns as website no longer have instructions. Suggest use of visuals to help with understanding for ESL families Council agrees with above suggestions of visuals

Natasha

Sub day newsletters & promotions need to clearly state NO REFUNDS for absent students (previous issues in past, council has no space to store food for students)

Nicole

Cash online info table at events with live iPads to help families set up accounts

Jess W

Meeting adjourned