

# School Council Meeting Agenda/Minutes

## Wed. Oct. 18, 2023

Attendees	Jenny Vanderlip, Stefan Strecker, Ashley Buligan, Amy Telford, Andrea Hitchcock, Amanda Fehrman (Trustee),
Chair – Welcome Approval of Minutes	
Principal/VP Report	<p>Welcome Trustee Amanda Fehrman HWDSB Annual Plan</p> <p>School Annual Plan- Focus on Math and Reading, Equity Humans of TH, Welcome ESL Team, PD Day- Digging Deeper into Language Curriculum, Math Curriculum, Social Studies Curriculum Fire Drills/Bomb Threats/Lockdown Day in the Life- Grade 8s Nov 1</p> <p><b>Halloween Costumes and Cultural Appropriation:</b></p> <p>Don't assume that all students will participate in Halloween activities. There are students who do not celebrate and/or participate. Their choice should be respected and the activities that are planned in their class should not interfere with their schooling. Cultural appropriation means taking or borrowing a look or trait from a culture that is not your own. Costumes that are based on people's culture are offensive, harmful and insensitive. The following are suggested questions to reflect on when choosing a costume to avoid being disrespectful or offensive that schools can share with their school community:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Is my costume making fun of a group of people, their culture, religion and/or belief systems?</li> <li>• Does my costume reinforce jokes and stereotypes about certain groups, cultures, religions and/or belief systems?</li> <li>• Am I altering my skin color, facial/body features to make it like a particular race, ethnicity, or cultural group?</li> <li>• Am I dressing up as a culture or borrowing from a religion that is not my own or is not part of my background?</li> </ul> <p>Fundraising Plan- Need the following information- Fundraiser- Cost- Revenue- reason for the fundraiser – to be completed by the end of Oct.</p>

Teacher's Report	<p>Hot Dog Day was a HIT! Sold just under 500 hot dogs. We are planning to (hopefully!) run at least one more this year.</p> <p>Laura Secord fundraiser is going well! Lots of friendly competition and lots of sales. All boxes due back Wednesday, October 25 – please post reminder on Facebook group.</p> <p>Cross Country was a success – all students had a great time!</p> <p>4 Volleyball teams are up and running.</p> <p>Halloween Parade – K-3/4 beginning of Period 1.</p> <p>Halloween Dance – K in Period 3, Grade 1-3 in Period 4, Grade 4-8 in Period 5-6 (Snack Shack for Grade 4-8)</p> <p>Spirit Wear – when?</p> <p>Snack Shack in returning – kickoff at Meet the Teacher then daily, like last year. Please post on Facebook.</p> <p>Movie Subscription</p> <p>Lost and Found will be out at Meet the Staff</p> <p>Johnson &amp; Johnson donated diverse skin toned Band-aids</p> <p>School-wide art wall has been installed, will be debuted at Meet the Staff</p>
Treasurer's Report	No updates until November
Chair's Report New Business	Fundraising Ideas from Committee
Meeting Dates	Select Meeting Dates for the remainder of the year. Nov, Feb, Apr, May