



Woodland School Council
Date: Tuesday, January 28th, 2020
Time: 6pm - 7:30pm
Location: Woodland School Library
MINUTES

Attendance:

Kelly P., Irene C., Kelsey W., Ruth R., Melanie B., Sarah W., Kelly K., Karena M., Arie S., Whitney S., Rita S., Lidia M., Nino D.

Regrets: Karen B.

Action Items:

1. Draft Constitution

- a. Updates are required to reflect how Council works now (e.g., Treasurer's role, voting process)
- b. **Action:** Rita S. to update document for review at next meeting - please forward any changes recommended

2. Chair Position

- a. Kelly P. asked anyone interested in being Chair to contact her; if no one is able/willing to take the role Kelly will continue to act as Chair

Chair Report

1. Breakfast With Santa

- a. Laura provided the budget summary; Kelsey provided a summary based on the report.
 - i. Total revenue: \$2,989.20
 - ii. Total expense: \$1,195.95
 - iii. Total profit: \$1,793.25

2. Christmas Concert

- a. Central Community Church - require confirmation that it is NOT available for 2020
- b. Bethany Community Church - **Action:** Whitney to check with Bethany again, including the equipment requirements that were available at Central

3. Ice Dogs Game

- a. Nino provided options for booking; council requested booking March 8th (2 pm game)

- b. **Action:** Nino to confirm and request ticket sales be posted on School Cash Online

New Business

1. **Woodland Winter Festival** - Kelly to keep Council aware of scheduling/impact of ETFO strike action
2. **Extra-curricular Program** - Council would like to support an extra-curricular activity for Juniors; consideration for Robotics / Coding; Kelly P. suggested Scientist in the Classroom program
 - a. Kelly P. shared Scientist in the Classroom program which could be provided for the two junior classrooms at \$190 per classroom
 - b. **Action:** Kelly P. to review with teachers and gather information on the topics that are available for booking
3. **Kindergarten Open House** - will be held Jan 30th from 10 am - 6 pm; supported by teaching staff during school hours; Sharau S., Laura A., and Kelly P. for remainder of the time
4. **Meeting times** - a request was made to adjust meeting dates for planning activities around Strawberry Social; Kelly P. suggested forming a Fundraising Committee that could propose fundraising activities and updates
 - a. **Action:** a meeting will be scheduled for fundraising discussions
5. **Bucket Drumming** - council asked if an additional concert will be held in February
 - a. **Action:** Kelly to confirm with Mr. Phelan the scheduling

Committee Reports

1. **Treasurer Report**
 - a. Account Balance: \$8,479.15
2. **Social** - gift was shared with a staff member in the loss of a family member; sincere appreciation was expressed to Council
3. **Fundraising**
 - a. Strawberry Social - Council selected June 16th to hold the event
 - b. Action: Rita to schedule a meeting with Council members interested in assisting with the planning
4. **Property**
 - a. No update
5. **Nutrition**
 - a. Hot Lunch Account Balance: \$941.47
 - b. Healthy Snack - funded through Niagara Nutrition Partners
 - i. Concern of bulk food being wasted - Kelly to share with NN Partners the feedback to adjust the grocery order

Principal's Report

1. **School Painting** - this was a project initiated by Plant Services; additional painting will be done (no confirmation of complete scope); Kelly requested a proposal by Plant Services to honour the history of the school when evaluating the Branding to be added
2. **Library Upgrades** - work has been done to update the inventory; options for new shelving and painting are under review; Kelly asked for Parent Council to consider funding some of this initiative
 - a. **Action:** Kelly to share a recommendation from Library Consultant for consideration of support
3. **Youth Counsellor** - Mr. Sentance is working with some classrooms on learning more about on-line safety and other relationship building content (Everfi -Gr. 7&8), Zones of Regulation (K) and Gr. 8 Peer Mentoring Program
4. **Go Girls / Game On** - Program delivered by Big Brothers/Big Sisters and program supported by Kelly P./Tara S.; focuses on mentoring students for making healthy lifestyle choices
5. **Staffing Updates** - Mrs. Christie will finish her time at Woodland when Mrs. Bingham returns Feb 3rd; Mr. Thomas will complete his time March 24th and Ms. Gabriel will be back March 25th; Mme. Neice will begin her maternity leave in April
6. **Job Action** - Kelly P. will continue to communicate ETFO job action updates as they become available via School Messenger email

It's Your Minute

1. Information regarding school response to Coronavirus risk - additional precautions are being taken and instructions for cleaning are being upgraded
2. Report cards - Kelly confirmed they will not be distributed this term; Kelly asked if you have questions regarding your child's progress to continue to contact their teacher
3. Grade 7 & 8 trip - is on pause; no further credit card payments will be taken; we will look at a final decision to hold or cancel closer to March - pending job action;
4. Ruth R. suggested a Jack Astor's fundraiser - will share detail in email or bring to next meeting

Next Meeting

Tuesday February 25, 2020

6 - 7:30 pm