

# Meeting minutes April 29, 2024

In attendance: Amy Humphries, Hilory Steffan, Farida Jamal, Chantal Drouin-Charter, Isabeau Glebe, Lauren McDonald

Regrets: Christine Rogalsky

## Upcoming road construction:

- Leslie Mawell from STSWR spoke about the upcoming road construction around EZ and the neighbourhood, starting May 1
- She explained the map that was provided, and went over the plans that city has laid out
- Pedestrians can still get through on foot, and families are encouraged to park farther away and walk to the school to avoid congestion
- Leslie explained school bus drop offs and how buses will be accommodated
- There will be safety put in place for pedestrians
- Hilory asked about the families who live on the other side of Weber street, and the crosswalk could be in place this summer for September
- Phase 2 of construction will be in September
- Each student took a map home, and digital copies were sent out on School Day
- A new map will be sent out in June with an update, any questions can go through Amy, and Leslie is happy to discuss parent complaints

## Financial summary

Pizza numbers are a bit down, but there will likely be last minute orders

Pending expenses - tarmac lines about \$2000

Pecs board - \$4700

Pinneys- \$200

Science fair boards - \$300

Laminator - \$400

Picnic - \$1500

After deductions:

\$9631

## Yard Clean up

- Old garden beds have come out

- Amy and Nathan have been looking at what needs to come out, and the trees/ bushes that needs to come out or be pruned will be marked
- Will be renting bin
- Micro-forest, need a plan in place for summer watering
- Call for volunteers- shovels, sheers, yard waste bags, wheel barrel, gloves, tarps
- May 25th, 9:00 - 1:00, May 26th rain date, pending enough response by May 17
- Children are welcome but must be supervised
- Washroom access and water bottles will be provided

### **End of year picnic**

- Pizza (Hilory) and freezies (Shawna), juice boxes and water (Chantal)
- Chantal will look into bubbles and activities - trailblazers or pals may be able to help run activities
- Choir will be performing, and dance club may perform
- Band - Hilory will connect with Jo who organized the band last year
- Save the date can go out now on School Day
- Send a paper invite home later
- June 11th 5:00-7:30
- Rain date June 12th
- Shannon has asked for a ballpark of who is buying what so that she has an idea of what receipts to expect
- Sidewalk chalk and skipping ropes
- Signs made by kids - Take garbage home, Washrooms
- Plans to be finalized at next meeting

### **Principal and Vice- Principal Report**

- EZ has been offered 1 or 2 more bike racks, may only have room for 1
- They are currently not full, so may only get 1
- EZ has hit 500 students, more students joining before the end of the year
- Many students coming from different countries, different languages, most going into English stream
- Beginning the staffing process for September, numbers submitted to board May 1, so that board can create classes
- Kindergarten open house May 23rd, 45-50 JK's registered
- Encouraging families to get kids registered or notify the school if they are moving
- EQAO (gr 3 & 6) testing window May 8-June 12, teachers will send out their specific dates, parents have right to keep their children home that

day if they choose to opt out

- Testing is done on computers, very simple to use, with practice tests available, in their own classroom
- Teachers can identify students who need accommodations
- Walk/ bike/ drive to school day last week, trailblazers were out, music playing, lots of kids indicated walking
- School council survey due June 14
- Extended day - Youth Development program will no longer be run by the YMCA due to staffing issues
- School board will be taking it on, and running the program with EAs and ECEs