# **Glencairn Public School**

664 Erinbrook Dr. Kitchener, On N2E 2R1 519-742-0849 Minutes for School Council Meeting November 14, 2023.

Attendees: Meghann, Sara, Tara, Charlene, Catherine B, Jill, Amina

Time	Agenda Item	Presenter/
		Facilitator
6:00-6:10	<ul> <li>Land acknowledgement</li> <li>Approval of October minutes</li> <li>Minutes approved by Sarah, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Meghann.</li> </ul>	Meghann
• 6:10-	Financials	Charlene
6:30	General status	
	o General Account balance - \$3645.84	
	o WEFI Account current balance – just over \$6000. Once prior commitments come out, balance will be \$3696.42	
	o Current commitments from WEFI are: headphones, tarmac, and grade 1&2 field trips.	
	Did we end up getting a formal request for tracking purposes from Mrs. Herlick; No.	
	<ul> <li>There was a tracking sheet used previously.</li> </ul>	
	Please remind teachers they can ask for money for trips and we can track to make sure each grade is getting fair amount. We really want to make sure teachers are aware they can ask.	
	Katherine Brown (G6) seeking funding for : author visit and Rocks and Rings (curling)	
	<ul> <li>Rocks &amp; Rings – teaching kids to curl. There are a few different options. The suggested option is a tournament.</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Day 1 they teach kids to play, day 2 they run a tournament.</li> </ul>	

o 40 minutes sessions o \$235 per day/\$470 plus tax. o 32 students per session, can run 9 sessions per day. o Dates tentatively booked for January. o VOTE YES: 1st from Meghann, 2nd by Tara, and voted yes by group. Author: Christy Jordan-Fenton – wants to speak at the school regarding her books on residential school survivors o 1 hour visit – grades 4-6 Wants to come in Feb/March. o \$300 o VOTE YES: Charlene1st, 2<sup>nd</sup> Meghan, group voted yes. Add the grade 1&2 field trip to WEFI tracker (Both new requests to come from WEFI if possible also) 6:30-Fundraising Ideas ΑII 6:45 Family movie night discussion Movie night – teachers need to have an agreement before we move forward as we would need some staff to move forward o Not sure if we can sell things with the license of the movies. Popcorn vendor, cotton candy could be add on for cash, based on license allowances. Will have to look into licenses. o No drinks, just water and popcorn or prewrapped snacks? Will confirm if we run event. o Will need support from parent council for supervision. Teachers may be coming in with their families o Need a clean up crew o Gym should have capacity, or run possibly in the Spring outside. o Wouldn't want to charge people to get in. No admission.

Move-a-thon – to be planned for Friday before March

break.

- Plan a book sale reused/donated books.
  - o Jan 26<sup>th</sup> Dress as your fav book character.
  - o Add event to the end of the day -3:30 to 5.
  - o Need someone to manage the books, and store them.
  - Notice to go out in the November newsletter asking parents to hold on to used books
  - o Parent group will continue to plan this as we do not have another meeting before Jan 26<sup>th</sup>.
- Adding additional funds to pizza orders
  - o Still looking into this.

# • 6:45 WRAPSC Update

Sara O

7:00

- Proposals need to be in asap for grants.
- \$500 in school budget for parent engagement need to ask for it for specific reasons.
- School safety 2 presenters came in this was more geared towards Secondary schools.
- Parents are 50/50 on feeling safety at kids' school.
- Also discussed de-escalation in school settings how to handle disruptive situations.
- Sara will send notes to be attached to school minutes

7:00-7:30

### Principal update

- Christina
- Responding to question "why do the students all eat together and go out together?
  - o We have a large yard, with a small staff. Only teachers can offer supervision. If we split when kids are out, we have to segregate and close off half the yard. We will need teachers in & out.
  - o Lower soccer field grades 1-4
  - o Upper soccer field grades 5&6

### EQAO update

- Primary assessment & jr assessment results
  - o Grade 3 math results are just a bit lower than the board average.
  - o Glencairn as a whole doing really well.

### **Upcoming Dates/Events:**

- Winter Celebration Dec 21<sup>st</sup>
  - o Community is welcome
  - Classrooms will sign up for what they want to do – kids will take part during school hours.
     Parents will be welcome to come.
- Pizza Day Fri, Dec 1<sup>st</sup>
- Humaine Society Visit Mon, Dec 4th & Tues, Dec 5th
  - o whole school
- Gray Jay Day Fri, Dec 8<sup>th</sup>
- Food Drive Dec 11<sup>th</sup> 15<sup>th</sup>
  - o Want to figure out whats needed the most!
- Comfy closed Day Dec 22<sup>nd</sup>
- Pizza Day Dec 15<sup>th</sup>

Next meeting: Feb 13th

I acknowledge that the land on which WRDSB sites are situated are the lands traditionally used by the Haudenosaunee, Anishinaabe, and Neutral people. I also acknowledge the enduring presence and deep traditional knowledge, laws, and philosophies of the Indigenous people with whom we share this land today. We are all treaty people with a responsibility to honour all our relations. To ensure that our identity and social position no longer predict outcomes, together we will transform our systems, structures, physical environments and practices to address and embrace the lived experiences, abilities, needs and stories of students and staff to ensure success for all.