

John Darling Public School Council Meeting Monday, September 27th, 2021

In Attendance: Holly Smith, Jen Antonowicz, Danielle Vines, Cassandra Muhlbock, Sarah Brown, Holly Fuhr, Hailey Baldwin, Laurie Davidson, Jenn Dermo

Regrets: Velinda Bean

Getting Started: Nominations and Appointments

Co-Chairs: Cassandra Muhlbock Jen Antonowicz

Treasurer: Sarah Brown

Holly Fuhr-is interested in learning the Treasurer role from Sarah

Secretary: Rotation

Members: Hailey Baldwin, Laurie Davidson, Velinda Bean, Jenn Dermo,

Teacher Rep: Danielle Vines

Principal Report • This year will be similar to last year with one change, students will be allowed to be mask free during nutrition breaks in the class groups.

- All other protocols will remain the same
- kids and washing hands frequently and between activities
- kids will be eating in classroom
- Staff and students are required to wear their masks inside at all times unless eating or drinking
- Teachers will come to the classrooms for music, French etc.
- We currently do not have any information about Covid-19 vaccines under age 12
- 2021-2022: This year while we continue to navigate the restrictions (not allowing non staff in the building, not encouraging group gatherings etc.), we will not be able to do fundraising at this time.
- 2020-2021: Last year was about giving back to the community while navigating the first year of the pandemic. ◦ We had a virtual Eric Traplin show, however the attendance was low (around 14 families). ◦ We offered a craft opportunity through Crockadoodle where families could paint a tile at home, and there was a medium interest. What events and fundraisers did John Darling have in the past?
- Student art night
- Family movie nights
- Family science nights
- Family Fun Fair
- Paying partial school bus fee for field trips
- raise money for chrome books, trees yard,

Past Fundraising: • Poinsettias • Rheo Thompson chocolates

- Book Fairs Additional items: Scholastic

We currently have \$582.52 scholastic book fund for John Darling which needs to be used before March 1, 2022. We will discuss in our next meeting how these funds will be used. We currently have a book fair date saved for February 3rd, 2022. Scholastic is flexible to cancel or move.

We will continue to host virtual council meetings on Google Meets.

Future Meetings Dates: November 8th at 6:30 PM

January 24th at 6:30 PM

March 28th at 6:30 PM

The current amount in the School Council account is \$13 956. (This is a correction.)

** The following email was subsequently sent to the Council members by Ms. Smith:

Please find attached the minutes from September's meeting. We are also looking for a Council member to attend WRAPSC meetings throughout the year and report back to Council. Please email Holly if you are interested. The first meeting is Oct. 6. (virtual)

What is WRAPSC?

The Waterloo Region Assembly of Public School Councils (referred to as WRAPSC or the Assembly). The purpose of the Assembly is to assist all School Councils of the WRDSB to further their support of student achievement through parent engagement. This engagement includes parent involvement at the board level, school level and classroom level, as well as involvement with their children's learning at home.

WRAPSC can assist parents of the WRDSB students by providing a single voice for School Councils on matters of significant importance impacting all schools. In addition, the Assembly establishes a forum for the exchange of ideas, concerns and best practices for School Councils, and it provides the Director of Education, staff and trustees, as well as PIC, with an effective means to share information and consult with School Councils on current issues and future plans.