

**Date: April 12, 2023**

**Voting Members and School Representation**

Name	Att?	Voting?
James Bond – Principal	√	
Jan Laffin – Teacher Rep	√	
Andrea Gabriel – Co President	√	√
Andrea Nagle	√	√
Niki Sonigara – Co President		√
Tamara Schmelze - VP		

Name	Att?	Voting?
Stacey Toohey	√	√
Katlyn Hillier - Treasurer	√	√
Liz Weber	√	√
Ana Cabral		√
Noorie Nash		√

**Non-voting in attendance:**

**Rebecca Kopysh**

**References / Handouts / Document Links**

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**Formal Record of Votes:**

**N/A**

**1. Principal Update – James Bond discussed the below topics and provided the updates described below**

Process for approval of meeting minutes

- Time limit of approval of minutes prior to posting was discussed
- For the time being, email is the preferred mechanism for sharing of information and approval of minutes
  - It was decided that we will reach out to the council members and ask for their approval via email within 2 weeks of the previous meeting

James has initiated a JST school group

**Outdoor learning spaces:**

- Review has been conducted with facilities management from school and board - what are options?
- Backyard area - Kindergarten space which is currently fenced and locked (Near door 2)
  - Managers felt like if we excavated, natural wood fiber or synthetic wood fiber could be back-filled
  - Classes would bring learning materials to the spot, and remove after outdoor time

- o James to ask the board to pay
  - o James to ask about timing of a project
- Gaga ball pit
  - o A supplier was identified - board contact provided, estimate incoming
    - Need to confirm the location for one, and there's the potential of adding a second
- James is looking for staff/student/parent community feedback about how to enhance the school outdoor learning environment
  - o Andrea to distributed the results from the previously conducted survey
  - o It was discussed that we should narrow our focus before going for broader input
  - o Question - do we have a landscape architect in the school community who could donate some time for consult?
- 10th anniversary
  - o Jam-board to be established by James
  - o Teachers Jam board and separately a council jam board, which James will marry to ensure all ideas are covered - 2 weeks to gather feedback
    - From there any community input can be gathered
    - Potentially asking for Teppermans to participate and support
- Parent engagement
  - o Field trips are back in full swing
    - Happening throughout April - June
    - Jan indicated that there may be confusion as to the amount each classroom is entitled to - need to reiterate that the intent is for each classroom to have \$200, which should cover in-region transportation
  - o Poetry Café for Parents - Mid May
  - o Phys-Ed Open House - TBD - Mid May - June
  - o Some of the french immersion classes - open house performing a french play for their families

## **2. Teachers Update: Jan Laffin discussed the below points**

- Junior intramurals wrapping, primaries picking up now
- Grade 6's have opportunities for leadership in refining games

## **3. Scholastic book fair**

- Messaging was not clear re: times parents can attend, can parents attend with their children - it was discussed that the last minute nature of this communication is an example of what could be improved
  - o James is working with Kathleen Haines and Tamara to clarify:
    - How can parents arrive? When? How to sign in?

## **4. Fundraising strategy**

- Running a fun-fair
  - o Food trucks - school open house night
    - Choir? Gym? Targeting end of May to Mid-June?
  - o Tuesday June 6th is Kindergarten open house

## ***JSPS Council Minutes***

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- o Soda/Water/Popcorn - items sold for a profit which Tepperman's could help support?
- Connect James with the team at Tepperman's
  - o Can we go into their store and have Sting students, volunteer basis
    - This school year

### Ginos

- Raise the dough fundraiser
  - o Can be branded - "The Sting Combo"
    - 2 large 4 topping pizza's for \$25 dollars, \$5 to council

### Spring pizza - starting Monday

- New record
- 1,014 slices of pizza - \$909 per week
- We have many bikes to give away - Gino's has a promotion which entitles us to a mountain bike for selling a certain amount of pizza's. We have potentially a half dozen
- We discussed possible uses for these, including awarding to students for various academic achievements

### Popcorn day - We discussed how we might implement and when

- Oak Creek \$2 every Tuesday for popcorn
- We buy mini-bags for \$1.10 per bag
- Jan would be willing to have leadership children run popcorn
- Jan will reach out to Oak Creek to help determine what volume of popcorn they're selling through
  - o Boxes of 40
- James is going to investigate any issues with money handling

## **5. Budget update?**

- Roll-over budget of ~\$8,000.00 was earmarked for
  - o Technology - what is this? - \$3,000
  - o Projector - Do we need this? - \$6,000
- Budget to be updated to reflect accurate view of '22/'23 fundraising efforts and balance sheet