

## School Council Meeting

October 24, 2018

**Attendance:** Silvana, Andy, Tanya, Christine, Ellen, Sherrie, Heidi, Stephanie, Emma, Michael, Jen.

**Secretary:** Emma

**1. Review of the minutes** from last month

**2. Election Night-** no requests for executive positions

- Voting for parent rep, subcommittees

Co-Chair- Ellen Menage (acclaimed)

Secretary- Christine Rose (acclaimed)

Treasurer- Updates from admin via Head Secretary

Subcommittee positions:

Fundraising, parent engagement

- Silvana has a folder of company fundraisers (essential oils, macmillans, etc)

**3. School Update:**

- Emma- SERT and guidance update--
  - high school update- Lunch and Learns, MRG website
  - \*\*guidance- emphasize that students do not have to take phys ed in grade 9-- other options in later grades\*\*
  - Hackergal Hackathon- WINS at Laurier (Ellen-- have a conversation with a university student)
  - Career Carousel - engineering real life experience- real situation for girls
- Steph- math update-- using board long range plan
  - Recursive - coming back to a similar idea many times
  - Math talks- whiteboards, sharing thinking, building off others ideas, different strategies
- Andy- math initiative
  - Math SERT for intensive withdrawal
- Silvana- Cyber safety presentation (Officer Andre)
  - What it means to be a good citizen online
  - New SRO at Margaret
  - Teachers are working on Progress Reports - looking at how students are doing based on the Learning Goals

- Information on how to contact teachers for an interview or conversation (will be available via School Day evening of November 15 and PD Day afternoon from 12-2:30 p.m. on November 16)
- MPP initiative - Emma and Olivia- leadership and enrichment- Grade 8 girls
- CYW update- COPES (anger management, social skills) - once a month, Taming the Dragon (anxiety)

#### **Upcoming dates:**

- Tuesday Oct 30-- HPV/Heb B dose (Grade 7)
- Nov 12- Remembrance Day- Periods 5-6 (11:10-12:10)
- Nov 12- High school Info Night (6-7)
- Nov 2- bus evacuation drill
- SLC update- Pumpkin carving, food drive, food stacking, dance
- Nutrition for Learning fundraiser- pretzel sticks
- 10 non-nutritional days

#### **EQAO results:**

- In with the progress reports (going home November 12)

#### **Financial Update**

- No update- a little under \$900
- QSP fundraiser was not very successful
- Any other ideas?
- PRO and PIC update-- they have been pulled and we will not be getting it (see addendum below)

#### **Fundraising-** put it on the Agenda as a weekly meeting topic

- Start brainstorming as a group
- Attach fundraiser to the 125 anniversary- can help generate more money
- Donation from families

#### **What's on your mind?**

- Ellen shared the twitter feed of Greg Weiler live tweet of a parent townhall ETFO-- main topics of conversation and what parents were mentioning when they were commenting
  - Managing tech in classroom
  - EQAO

#### **Next meeting dates:**

Nov 28, Jan 23, Feb 27, April 24, May 22

Addendum to Minutes on October 25 - Again, for the 2018-19 school year, the Ministry of Education will be providing funds to schools to support communication with parents and to ensure greater involvement of parents in education.

Each school will receive \$500 for projects that demonstrate inclusion/outreach to school communities.