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| **Meeting Info:** | Regular Council Meeting  Wed Nov 16, 2016 at 6 pm  St. Andrews Public School - Library  Chair: Gary | | |
| **In Attendance:** | Gary  Riina  Brad Brannerman | Lynn  Caroline  Tatania Stroud | Sheryl  Marcie  Christina Webster |
| **Absent:** | Shelley, Melissa | | |
| **Agenda:** | See Appendix for full agenda   * Called to Order [Time]; Adjourned [Time] * [Date] minutes – [approved or not approved] | | |
| **Next Meeting:** | Parent Council  Wed Dec 7, 2016 @ 6pm  St. Andrews School  Chair: Gary | | |

**Decisions:**

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| 1. | Motion made by Kelly to maintain a minimum balance of $250 in the account to carry forward. |
|  | Marcie, Brad, Riina and Sheryl seconded the motion. We passed it. |
| 2. | Fundraising Goals for the year: Chrome books and Year End Field Trip equally important. Secondly, is the outdoor playground. |
| 3. | Date change for February 1st council meeting – has been changed to January 18th. |
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**Agenda:**

1. **Financials**
   * Marcie discussed the Pumpkin fundraiser. 100 pumpkins, at a cost of $300 were sold. $455 was deposited into the account, for a profit of $155 or 52%
2. **Fundraising**
   * Fundraising options were discussed. A majority of us liked the Gift Card Program and the Recycling Program. A little work to get the ball rolling on both of these programs but then minimal upkeep needed for them. Council agreed to implement both as soon as possible, especially the gift cards so that we can benefit from the holiday season.
   * Food Truck scheduled to be at the school on Math Night.
   * Christmas Store/Garage Sale – well received idea by everyone. It was agreed that we will run this the last week of December. Communication with staff and parents will begin as soon as possible and kick off will coincide with Math Night. Donations can conveniently be dropped off that evening.
   * Lynn mentioned MacMillan’s. In her experience it as always been well received and quite popular. We considered running it close to Easter.
   * Pizza- May/June time frame. New Orleans and Domino’s were considered. However, Marcie believes that New Orleans are challenging to deal with, are very unorganized and would not recommend them.
   * Candy grams were discussed but decided they should be left for Student Council to run.
   * Family Movie Night
   * A “raffle” or “silent auction” was discussed, with the price being the cost of one Grade 8 field trip. Potential problems could arise depending on how this is handled. No definite decision was made, possibly further discussion to take place.
3. **Principal’s Report**
   * EQAO results were presented and goals for the school discussed. Along with the school board’s focus of Math and Wellness, the school hopes to build on experiences from last year.
   * The focus will be on math fluency specifically.
   * There is a full hour a day blocked for math (sometimes more). Timetables have been adjusted to accommodate this.
   * General understanding of the concepts of math are paramount.
   * Wellness-Resiliency. The ability to preserve - academically, socially and emotionally are all connected. REACH Initiative.
   * Lastly, the trend has been that those who test below average in both grades 3 and 6 on EQAO testing do not graduate. It is the teachers and administrators goals to take all data from report cards, Cassie, EQAO and special programs and input them into a single database so that those who are at risk or in need can be easily identified and helped.
   * June 22 is GRAD
   * June 26, 27, 28 is Grade 8 field trip
4. **Teacher’s Report**
   * Math Night – Brad acknowledged that EQAO numbers are scary but believes that the proper and necessary steps are being taken to put the focus back on the importance of math and math skills.
   * Math Night will feature games, activities, and take home activities that will tie in all grade levels and promote math as fun.
5. **Council Dates**
   * December 7
   * January 18
   * April 5
   * June 7

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| **Appendix A – Full Agenda** |
| **St. Andrew’s School Advisory Council**  **Agenda**  **Date: Dec 7, 2016**  **Time: 6 pm – 7:20 pm**  **Location: St. Andrews Library**   * Approval of the Agenda * Approval of the minutes from [last meeting]. * Next Meeting: Wed Dec 7, 2016 |