

Wellesley Public School - School Council Meeting
Thursday, February 25, 2021

In Attendance: Erin Agnello, Jamie Enns, Chantel Franklin, Lisa Windling, Melissa Turner, Mel Quint

Regrets: Brian Beney, Suzanne Krahn

Motion to Pass January Meeting Minutes: Mel Quint, Seconded by Jamie Enns, motion passed.

WRAPSC Update from February

- Next meeting April 6th (no meeting in March)
- Template letter was sent along...encouraged to send to Trustee (see email from Chantel for more information if you would like to send a letter)
- Parent Involvement Committee is inviting questions for their March 2nd meeting with Waterloo Public Health

Fundraising

- We will revisit spring fundraising at our March meeting

Treasurer's Report/Budget

- Nothing to report at this time - likely no different than January at this point

Principal's Report

- Lots of calls about asymptomatic testing - no testing will happen without parent consent - more information has come out with it being voluntary; it won't happen in the school, it will be a clinic and when it's WPS's turn, we will know ahead of time.
- Asymptomatic testing for staff - different locations for staff to make appointments to get tested.
- Many questions re: Ministry's directive about one person having one or more symptom in the household means everyone who works in/goes to a school, must go home - absence rate has gone up; more people keeping their kids home (this is good...parents are being cooperative and understanding so thank you!).
- In January there was an opportunity to switch modes of learning - only single digits making a change so no reorganization is needed for this round of changes.
- Pink shirt day was a big success!
- Virtual presentation (Feb. 12) for Intermediate classes by Paul Davis - expert in Social Media & Internet Safety; really important and well-received by the 7 & 8's. He has great credibility with the kids and had great messaging for the kids.
- Mrs. Shantz is going to be retiring at the end of March; her job has been posted.

Next Meeting: Thursday March 25th @ 7:00 p.m.

Notes: Parent Engagement for fall - consider Paul Davis and Internet Safety Presentation