

Wellesley Public School - School Council Meeting
Thursday February 24, 2022 - 7:00 PM

In Attendance: Brian Beney, Anne MacInnes, Jamie Enns, Lisa Windling, Mel Quint, Chantel Franklin

Regrets: Rosanne Robinson, Melissa Turner, Cassandra Pomeroy-Arce, Louise Zyta

November/December Meeting Minutes

Passed by Mel Quint, Seconded by Chantel Franklin

WRAPSC Update

- New math curriculum was discussed (Lisa sent through the presentations/websites related to the math curriculum); let parents know that even though the way kids are learning is different, but trust the process and let the kids learn how they are being taught - lots of collaboration and excitement around this curriculum in general!
- Agenda for the April meeting will be sent through when Lisa has this info.
- March 1st - "Dress Code" and "Get Real Trans 101" - Lisa can resend invites if needed

Fundraising

Kernels

- Lisa has had some luck with Kernels!
- There are some flavours that are back ordered and this could affect time frame
- They recommended their \$1.25 bag (we choose price)
- Orders are needed 2 weeks before we need them.
- Payment is cash, debit or credit only - Lisa will inquire re: payment from the school's perspective.

McMillans

- Potential distribution issues

Terra Greenhouses

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Pizza

Mel will call Dominos, Twice the Deal, Olympic Pizza & Lip Smakin' Lous

Food Truck

On hold for now - we will discuss this again in March

2021-2022 Parent Engagement

Not much to update at this time; we have reached out to WO (high school), but have not heard back at this time. Lisa will communicate with us via email when we have more info/better idea of time.

In terms of tech - we could do "Zoom" to allow it to work with non WRDSB email addresses. \$20 cost would allow us to have unlimited time (school will cover the cost).

Teacher Cards - Update

About 20 have been sent out and we will continue until May at a rate of 5 per week. We hope they are brightening the days of the educators!

Umbrella Project

Rosanne shared information - you can nominate students and teachers for awards - also school based resources available: <https://umbrellaproject.co/>

We will discuss this again in March.

Treasurer's Report/Budget

Starting balance \$3,361.67

Payment for RAZ Kids went through (\$800)

Committed to \$500 for Home Reading

We raised \$1669.20 with WEFI

Available balance \$2449.20

Principal's Update

- Black History Month; focus is Black Brilliance - classes are doing research and projects on influential Black Canadians - staff continue to remind students this is not just a 'one-month' thing.
- Brian shared a video about the history of the Queen's Bush (email Brian if you'd like to see the other 2 parts and he can share the link)
- Woolwich Counselling Workshops being offered (School Day message was sent home recently)
- School staff is seeing an increased number of students and families working through anxiety; student wellness is a priority this year. The School Board continues to share resources to support families in this area
- The system is working together to come up with a framework for year-end celebrations; the committee continues to meet and discuss these issues. This system wide approach will be rooted in equity - moving away from awards, ensuring there is little/no expense, making sure that all families/students can be included. As more details become available, Brian will be communicating with the parent community.

Question to Ponder - How can we include more voices and opinions in our decisions? How can we invite this? Think about this for next time and we can chat about it.

Motion to Adjourn - Mel Quint Seconded: Jamie Enns

Next Meeting: Thursday, March 24th @ 7:00 p.m.