Wellesley Public School - School Council Meeting Thursday March 23, 2022 - 7:00 PM

In Attendance Brian Beney, Anne MacInnes, Jamie Enns, Lisa Windling, Mel Quint, Melissa Turner, Chantel Franklin, Rosanne Robinson, Cassandra Pomeroy, Christina Gerber

Regrets:

February Meeting Minutes

Motion to Pass: Mel Quint Seconded: Melissa Turner

WRAPSC Update

- No March Meeting
- Next meeting is on April 4th (agenda and link will follow)
 - Speakers from OK2BMe & OSSTF

Fundraising

Read-A-Thon

- It went REALLY well!!
- We have finalized
- 60% online donations, 40% cash/cheque
- 258 students participate in terms of handing in their forms
- Grades 4-6 were the largest participation group (donations still came for all grades)
 - How can we encourage greater participation in primary and intermediate?
 Thoughts to consider for next time!
- We received positive feedback about how inclusive it was; everyone could participate even if there is no financial donation
- We will keep this in mind for next year

Big Box of Cards

- Confirmed for April 14th; should we postpone? We exceeded expectations with the Read-a-Thon...maybe we move to the fall.
- We have decided & voted to move this fundraiser to the late fall and will offer all 3 boxes (Christmas, All Occassion, Birthday)
- Lisa will take care of moving this to the fall

Freezies

- Provide freezies during track and field
- Brian will provide date

Food Truck

- Tied in with Arts Night
- Start advertising now (just save the date)

Staff Appreciation Cards

- Cards were delivered to the school March 1st
- Positive Feedback all around from staff 8-)
- Continue next year!

School Council Bylaws

- Lisa has posted and received no interest in helping
- Cassandra and Lisa will sit down and look at the examples we have to draft our own

Treasurer's Report/Budget

- Read-a-thon raised \$5121.56 in total (59% online)
 - We voted to round up the amount for book purchasing to \$5500
- Total in the bank now (available) is \$6204.67 (this does not include our book costs at this time)

Principal/Vice Principal Update

- Costume day was really fun for the whole school community; the last reward from the Read-a-Thon is extra gym time.
- WPS was randomly selected to participate in the Trends in International Math & Science Survey (2 x grade 4 classes will be involved).
- 3 choirs going on right now: Mennonite Girls Choir, Kodaly Choir (Area concert at W.O. outdoors details will be coming) & Primary Choir.
- School handbook is just going through the process of revisions; it is being updated and simplified and it will be available on the website and through a link sent out to families
- Grade 8's will be having a presentation on mental health/anxiety; great support offered.
 There is an opportunity for students to ask questions and talk to someone after the event.

PRO Grant 2023 and 2024 / PIC Funding

- April 20 7:00 PM in the library
- We have not received a response from the application yet; Lisa will inform us
- Mel & Kathryn are chatting on the weekend about details; Mel will then be in contact with Cassandra re: a flyer for future School Day postings
- 2024 PRO Grant "Nutrition Year" we are hoping to run 2 sessions one with PRO and one with PIC. The fall session will be on the topic of packing lunches; aiming to do this session early September.
 - Rosanne will be in touch with Brian about a staff "lunch and learn" around the topic of nutrition messaging at school as well

Motion to Adjourn: Mel Quint Second: Jamie Enns

Next Meeting: Thursday April 27 @ 7:00 p.m (virtual option will be offered)