

**Wellesley Public School - School Council Meeting**  
**Thursday May 25, 2023 - 7:00 PM**  
**Wellesley Public School Library/Virtual**

**In Attendance:** Anne MacInnes, Jamie Enns, Lisa Windling, Melissa Turner, Christina Gerber

**Regrets:** Mel Quint, Brian Beney, Rosanne Robinson

**April Meeting Minutes**

**Motion to Pass:** Jamie Enns

**Seconded:** Christina Gerber

**WRAPSC Update**

- May 2nd Update
  - Last meeting of the year
  - Discussion on what people would like to see from WRAPSC next year
  - Trustees were in attendance for discussions with the group
    - You are welcome to reach out to any trustee, it does not have to be for your specific area although sometimes this can be beneficial as they know the area the best.

**Playground Replacement Planning**

- Our large playground went through the safety approval process in the spring. It was approved but certain elements did need to be removed in order for it to pass
- It is now time for us to look at long term planning of replacing the large playground
- First step will be to connect with the board safety person who will outline the process
- Consider really pushing the next two years of fundraising to help cover the cost, make it clear there will be a break from fundraisers after that
- Look into grants
- Reach out to corporations/businesses/local developers for donations
- Playground is considered a community accessible structure
- Conestogo just replaced their playground - reach out to them for advice/take a look at theirs

**Fundraising**

Freezies

- Freezie day was very successful
- Everyone enjoyed the freezie, it went well with teachers coming to get the freezies when it worked best for their class schedule
- Thank you to Melissa Turner for taking care of buying the freezies, freezing them and dropping them off at the school (drop off first half in the morning and second half at noon)
- Total funds collected was \$444.20 (cost of freezies to be deducted from this number)

Food Truck

- Only two trucks showed up, line ups were long but still seemed enjoyable

- Arts night was very well attended by students, parents, family members, staff and even community members
- Choir performances went very well
- Total funds raised were \$345
- Brief discussion about next year as the cost of food was quite high, is there other ways to raise money at a community event while keeping the cost to the community lower (ie. School council selling ice cream)? More discussion to happen at our June meeting

#### Planning for next year

- Ideas so far include:
  - Herrles
  - Big Box of Cards (booked for end of October, early November)
  - “A-thon” event
  - Food Truck
  - Plant Fundraiser (Tina to look into)
  - Kicked in the Candies
- More discussion during our June meeting

#### Planning for next year

- Options to be presented during May meeting to be decided on in advance of new school year
- Some options include
  - Herrles (September)
  - Big Box of Cards (end of October/Early November)
  - “A-thon” event
  - Food Truck
- Option of running a cruise fundraiser presented - unanimous vote to not move forward with the fundraiser
- Lisa to send out a survey to get feedback regarding this years fundraisers

#### **PRO Grant 2023/PIC Funding**

- Forms to be reimbursed have been submitted
- PRO grant covered the cost of the event, we will not be able to make use of the PIC grant this year

#### **PRO Grant 2024/PIC Funding**

- Rosanne is booked for September 21, 2023 for the packing lunches seminar
  - Cassandra will work to get these ready
- Timing of second similar to be discussed at a later date

#### **School Council Bylaws**

- No update - Cassandra and Lisa will connect this month

#### **Principal Profile for the Board**

- Discussion regarding answers to questions

- Lisa will type all the answers up and send out to school council members to review, a vote will happen through email or at our next meeting
- We will miss the deadline but be sure to submit before the end of the school year

### **Treasurer's Report/Budget**

- Payment for reading night (\$325) was processed through school council account, will be reimbursed through PRO grant
- Grade 4 arts mats total came to \$515.07 and should show in June statement
- \$235 of the approved \$2000 has been spent for spring classroom events (ie. Scientists in the school)
- Funds raised from Freezies (not shown in account yet): \$380.16
- Funds raised from Food Truck event (not shown in account yet): \$345

### **Principal/Vice Principal Update**

- EQAO testing starting next week, two weeks long
- Track and Field well underway
  - Grade 7 and 8 went to divisionals on Tuesday
    - Some going to regionals!
  - Grade 4-6 divisionals are middle of June
  - Thank you to the staff for all their hard work!
- Lots of events happening at the school
  - Scientists in the School
  - Science North
  - Walking Trips
  - Trips to the green park are planned
  - Jump rope for heart - June 14
- School has purchased a second TV screen to display information at the other end of the school
  - The majority of what is displayed is made by students so it is nice to have another area for students to see it

**Motion to Adjourn:** Jamie Enns

**Second:** Melissa Turner

**Next Meeting: Thursday June 15 @ 7:00 p.m** (virtual option will be offered)