

Wellesley Public School - School Council Meeting - Virtual Only
Thursday March 28, 2024 - 7:00 PM

In Attendance: Brian Beney, Lindsay Kurt, Jamie Enns, Lisa Windling, Cassandra Pomeroy, Tina Gerber, Nilay Aydin, Erin Thaler, Chantel Franklin

Regrets: Amanda Udel, Mel Quint, Melissa Tuner

January Meeting Minutes

Motion to Pass: Jamie Ens

Seconded: Chantel Franklin

WRAPSC Update (Feb 6 Meeting)

- Discussed “Right to Read”
 - The why behind moving towards a phonic based program
 - Wellesley appears to be ahead of the game
 - Roll out - focus on Primary, then Junior and eventually high school
- Next Meeting April 2nd/2024
 - Chantel to attend

Fundraising

Read-A-Thon Event

- Approximate total for money raised was \$6000
 - Whipped cream cost of \$16
 - Pizza cost of \$224
 - School day fees to be deducted as well
- Only 2/6 of the grade 7 and 8 classes submitted
 - Consider different month as it was right before March break
 - Make deadline for submitting clearer
- Prizes
 - Food can be difficult with allergies
 - Assembly and pie in the face was great and very exciting for students
 - Movie worked well
 - Consider having a suggestion box in the front hall next year for students to make suggestions what what they would like for prizes

Fun Fair/Arts Night Update

- Cash raised on the fun fair night can be deposited directly into the school council account
- There will be 11 activities at the event
- Lions club will be doing the BBQ which will include hot dogs, hamburgers, snacks and drinks for sale
- Chairs and tables needed - Tina to look into options for renting or borrowing from community centre and local churches

- Inside tables for raffles the school can provide
 - Brian/Lindsay to figure out how many tables school has
- Jamie will send Mel the contact information for a grade 8 teacher to get volunteers
- Committee is asking that every parent council member sign up for a 30 minute volunteer time slot
 - Email Mel or the school council email
- Raffle items are needed
- ArtShine is coming for free and will be held in a classroom if needed
- School will provide basketballs
- Horticultural society, tic tac toe will be at the back of the school
- Post on sign at school that the fun fair is looking for volunteers and have teachers send an email as well

Staff Appreciation Ideas

- Approximately 60-65 staff members
- Grammy's price was \$2.00 for coffee/tea and \$3.00 for refresher
 - Unfortunately this is too high for what we were hoping to spend
- Lisa to check with Tim Hortons, Baden coffee and Pyms for other options

Bylaws

- Cassandra to look at the bylaw examples we have and compare

Playground Planning

- Gaga Ball Pit
 - The facility staff have been out to look at the space and the location has been determined
 - Contractor is currently doing a quote
 - Hoping for late May/Early June install
- Large Playground
 - Brian will be reaching out to school that are currently fundraising for a playground

Treasurer's Report

- February Report
 - School Day Transaction fees from Big Box of Cards were processed - \$124.86
 - Total funds raised from Big Box of Cards was \$1586.32
- March Report
 - Draft Read-a-thon totals shared and compared to 2023 Read-a-thon
 - Funds currently available - \$9655.08

Principal/Vice Principal Updates

- Thank you to all of the volunteers
- Solar Eclipse
 - Working through logistics for safety
 - Will be shared on school day
 - Education materials will be shared at grade appropriate level
 - The peak time of the eclipse is at dismissal time
 - Students will be kept inside for the 2nd nutrition break and the blinds will be down
 - Bussed students will be kept inside until the bus comes
 - Students can go home early or miss the day of school
 - No viewing parties will be happening
- PD on Wednesday April 10
 - Placed there for EID
- Coming up in April
 - Watch for the April communication on School Day

Motion to Adjourn: Cassandra

Seconded: Tina

Next Meeting: Thursday April 25, 2024 7:00PM