

Wellesley Public School - School Council Meeting
Thursday May 23, 2024 - 7:00 PM

In Attendance: Brian Beney, Lindsay Kurt, Lisa Windling, Mel Quint, Cassandra Pomeroy, Chantel Franklin, Tina Gerber, Jasveen Kienitz

Regrets: Alyssa Livingston, Jamie Enns, Rosanne Robison, Nilay Guler, Melissa Turner

April Meeting Minutes

Motion to Pass: Cassandra Pomeroy

Seconded: Mel Quint

WRAPSC Update (May 7 Meeting Update from Jasveen)

- Facilities was presenting on playgrounds; where money comes from and what you do with it in terms of planning and building playgrounds
- Opening of 2 new schools - South Kitchener & Cambridge
- Laurelwood & Breslau will be getting expansions
- School Renewal Fund = \$10.4 million received yearly for upgrades, program enhancements (e.g., libraries, science rooms)
- The only thing the school will fund is the digging of the hole and the surface of the playground and drainage if needed **this money can be asked for IF the school has raised most of their money
- As a school council, we can ask other schools how much other schools paid
- Request For Proposals are used to help make decisions; only 5% is based on quote

Fundraising

- Freezies - One day - June 25 for all students (Nilay will get them this weekend)
- Schmidtsville - Mel to investigate options and communicate via email
- Used Book Sale - next year - tie in with Fun Fair next year
- Next Year Options - **Please bring ideas to June's meeting**
- Lisa will set up a survey to get feedback from community re: our events/fundraisers this year - survey results will be shared at the June Meeting

Fun Fair/Arts Night Update

- First of all, thank you to all of the committee members who helped plan and make the event what it was: Alyssa, Cassandra, Jasveen & Tina
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Staff Appreciation Baked Goods

- We are providing baked goods on June 14; please remember to sign up on the document if you are able to help!
- Baked goods to Lisa's porch (5 Shadywood Court) on June 13th with ingredient list

School/Council Bylaws Review

- No update at this time; will be presented in June

Principal Profile Review & Vote

- Council has approved the revisions to the profile; Lisa will submit tonight
- This topic will be added to our October agenda to review with new Council members

Playground Planning Update

- Brian investigated with Conestoga P.S. when he was there a few weeks ago; this was a great resource; driving force was School Council chair
- Brian will share some photos, costs etc. with us as we work through the process
- Brian is meeting with the facility supervisor next week to see if there the broken parts that can be removed and replaced.
- NOTE: our process will be MULTI-YEAR process and a new playground will cost several hundred thousand dollars!

Treasurer's Report

- Chantel will keep an eye on transactions related to the Fun Fair
- \$500 has been refunded for Blueprint Nutrition
- Gaga Ball Pit \$2554 is the final cost for School Council to cover - we voted to approve this payment
- \$7191.69 is current available balance

Principal/Vice Principal Updates

Thanks to the Fun Fair planning committee for hosting a great event last night. One could tell that the community enjoyed the chance to gather together, look at the artwork, and participate in the Fun Fair activities.

School Activities:

- Wondercoaster Competition/Canada's Wonderland (grade 8s) - won first place in two categories
- Track and Field events - Grades 4-8 (entire school cheering on our students) / Previous students returning to volunteer at the events
- W-O Affinity Group presentation

Important Upcoming Dates:

- May 27 - Gr. 7&8 Track and Field - Regionals
- May 31 - PD Day
- June 11 - Welcome to Kindergarten Open House (approx. 38 new JK students)
- Variety of Field trips (both at school and off-site) e.g. Scientist in the School, Groundwater Festival, Walking to the Park,
- June 13 - Fall Fair Assembly
- June 20 - School Council (staffing updates shared)
- June 21 - Jump Rope for Heart Event
- June 22 - School Choir Singing at the Grand Opening of Bill Gies Rec. Centre
- June 25 - Primary Play Day
- June 26 - Grade 8 Celebration Open House
- June 27 - Year-end Assembly

- June 28 - PD Day
- Sept. 3 - PD Day
- Sept 4 - First Day of Classes

Motion to Adjourn - Cassandra

Second - Tina

Next Meeting: Thursday June 20, 2024 7:00PM