



Westvale *Public School*

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School Council Meeting minutes June 6, 2023, 6:30pm

Welcome to those attending –

Name	Present	Name	Present
Mary Sue Meredith	X	Liz Kristensen	
Marisa Moser	X	Anita van Raalte	
Tonya Veltman	X	Amber Fitzgerald	
Stephanie Evans	X	Lynda Morris	
Rick Foucault		Tamara DeCraemer	
Christine Glidden	X	Richard Haighway	
Bobbie Joe Seitz	X	Meredith Perez	
Tammy Hauser		Kathleen Merritt	
Matthew Theis		Jennifer Benninger	
Emily Cho		Jagdeep Kaur	
Zunaira Kafeel		Aziz Dhamani	
Kathleen Siegrist		Kristy Gall	
Doerte Shulze		Shireen Fawad	
Sonali Nair		Kira Brusckke	

Welcome Message – Tonya/Steph

- Territorial Acknowledgement – Mary Sue Meredith
- Principal's Report – Mary Sue
- EQAO – grade 3s this week, grade 6s next week
- There are field trips for many classes this time of year
- There is a field trip to the University of Waterloo; UW paid for the bus!
- Many walking field trips are planned because of affordability
- Bussing for grade 6s to Centennial
- Parents to pay for bussing to area track and field meet
- Welcome to kindergarten; next Monday night; Jackie still registering still
- Public health message sent out; will be resuming suspensions for out of date vaccinations next year
- Staffing
 - We are in the midst of staffing; it's not finalized yet
 - Mr. Bailey has accepted a position at Silver Heights next year

- Paula Schaffer is a new EA who will be joining us next year
- Danielle Grin is a new ECE for next year (we have 4 classes of kindie next year)
- Laurie Berton, Jennifer Chapman will be teaching grade 3, and grade 3/4

Teacher's Report – Marisa Moser

- A request from the Green Team: Can we get volunteers to water plants during the summer? You can help yourself to produce as a thank you.
 - There is an outdoor hose in the shed.
- Jump Rope for Heart raised 4.4k
- Jr Track and Field for the Primary grades; there will be a water day for the rest of the school – next week
- Teachers say thank you for grade 6 camp!
- We will be having a rainbow spirit day on an upcoming Friday
- Camp Heidelberg was a huge success and greatly appreciated by the students!

Treasurer's Report – Rick Foucault

- Opening balance was \$8400
- Domino's Fundraiser brought in \$309. Thanks to all who ordered pizza!
- The outdoor recess equipment was \$298.82.
- After all commitments and the 3k float, we have approx \$2700 in available funds

Chicks – Stephanie Evans

- 1 chick has hatched; probably another 3-4 will hatch by tomorrow morning.
- Won't spend the full \$400 allotment, other than possibly \$40 in more food, then there are no more expenses.
- Everyone has been very excited to learn about the development on the chicks!

Gym Refresh Fundraising – Stephanie Evans

- We are getting prices and getting a plan to present to parents in September.
- We can vote on what we want to support out of the options that Mary Sue has presented.
- Secretaries and MS worked on pricing with vendors and have already ordered 4 mats for the walls. Pricing was \$180 per mat and \$120 shipping, which totalled \$954 total for 4 and was paid for by the school.
- The school has also ordered basketballs, which are \$25 each.
- Pricing for other equipment is as follows:
 - Basketballs \$25 each
 - Soccer Balls \$16.50 each
 - Floor hockey sticks \$6.50 per stick
 - Bean bags, 12 for \$34.16

- Skipping ropes (currently we only have plastic ropes from Jump Rope for Heart), these would be ropes with beads on them and are \$5.90 each
- Volleyballs are \$22.50 each
- Ultraskin balls (dodgeballs) are \$23.20 per ball
- Small ultraskin balls are are \$7.50 each
- Mr. Cressman has been good at keeping inventory. We will need a few of each of these items (probably 6 of each of these items, but will depend on condition).
- Will need to look at condition of equipment in Sept as the equipment is used by the daycare throughout the summer (they pay us about 1500 per year via the boards).
- We are looking only at the wall mats at this time and need to look to see if there is a discount for multiple mats or on shipping.
- The existing mats say Waterloo County board of Education; they are VERY old and will be kept for other purposes (daycare builds forts, create walls for an activity). New mats will STAY ON THE WALL.
- We are ordering all blue mats of the same size from Apple Athletic Products (which is one of the board vendors). We need 80 mats altogether; this is probably a multi year fundraiser

Fun Fair

- Need volunteers to sell raffle tickets
- Bobbie Joe needs to pick up speakers and light; music starts around 6 – hoola contest, then limbo one – set up on side facing the playground
- Need indoor space for face painters

Fundraisers and Events for 2023/2024 School Year

- Sept – Fresh from the Farm – pickup in November
 - Meet teacher, boohoo/yahoo breakfast
 - Food trucks for meet the teacher night
- Dec – Movie Night and bake sale
- March – Used book sale/ literacy night
- June – First Aid Kits with Fun Fair; donation box out
- We will need consensus on this schedule from attendees
- September meeting – voting on council;
- Boohoo/yahoo breakfast is tentatively first Friday – need volunteers; need a meeting in July/Aug to organize
 - Sept 8th or 15th
 - Last year it was \$150-\$200
 - We have table cloths, cups, decorations
 - Assume \$100 for this, but we can't vote – not enough people
- Future council meetings: Sept 20th Oct 18th, Nov 15th, with the remaining dates to be set in September 2023.

Year End for Grade 6

- Locks arrived for grade 6, and were \$2.50 each.
- Teachers trying to cover up price tag
- Will be handed out at the year-end celebration
- A teacher is ordering cupcakes

Fun Fair – Bobbie Joe

- Jennifer Benninger available for 2:30 for setup; bake up to 3 cakes
- Would like 12 cakes, currently have 9 committed
- Starbucks is donating some things for the raffle basket
- Bobbie Joe has a lot of baskets!
- Donations are a little leaner this year, but there are some things coming in.
- Will send out a reminder for donations being due this Friday.
- Volunteers needed:
 - 1 person to spend 1 hour doing cake walk (Benninger)
 - 1 hour to sell raffle tickets
 - 2 people to work photo booth from 6-8 (involves lowering/raising the light stand, helping people insert their phones into it)
 - Need help to load speakers at end of night
- New outdoor games can be set out – big jenga, big connect 4
- If you have a bubble maker, please let Bobbie Joe know
- Food trucks will be arriving after 3:45

Next Meeting Date – September 20th, 2023 from 6:30-8:00 pm