



School Council Meeting Minutes

December 12, 2018

Present:	Erin Bell (Principal) Cynthia Montanaro (Chair), Kirstie Slaney (Treasurer) Jacki Ross (Secretary), Niveen Shrem, Dawn Wilshire, Angela Haddock, Cameron Martin.	
Guest Speakers:	Shannon Cole (Teacher)	
Agenda Item	Discussion	Person Responsible, Action & Target Date
1.0 Welcome & Approval of Agenda/Minutes	Introductions by everyone. Agenda & Minutes approved.	
2.0 Principal's Update 2.1 20 Years of Sparkle 2.2 Jack and the Beanstalk 2.3 School Improvement Plan Focus-Self Regulation	<p>20 Years of Sparkle -Milestone celebrations will be in the 25th year -Concert tomorrow and Friday</p> <p>Jack and the Beanstalk -Schedule for Dec. 19th and 20th at St Jacobs Playhouse</p> <p>Kindergarten Self-Regulation -Goal is "Friendly Behaviours": turn taking, sharing, positive language; another is "play": playing together rather than independently, another is "Inhibitions": stopping difficult behaviours.</p> <p>Taming the Dragon -Regulation for students in grade 1 or 2 with anxiety. Since our child and youth care worker is so pro-active, we talked about not pulling the kids out of school. Potentially looking into kindergarten children. -Waiting to see if we are selected as one of the schools for the Power of One.</p>	

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	<p>Modo Yoga</p> <p>-Shannon Cole (Teacher) introduced opportunity of bringing in a yoga teacher to do some sessions for all classes during gym times ~ \$860/day to learn some strategies for self-regulation through Yoga. Two sessions per class would be beneficial, with option for a third session as a “Train the Trainer” for staff. Discussion: Explore pairing up some classes to reduce the costs. Create an opt out form for parents who would choose to not have their children participate as it could conflict with the Muslim culture. It will be important for the letter to state the yoga’s intention as its help with self-regulation and doesn’t have any spiritual connection. Potentially note that music is not included for this reason. \$542 per session if we group the classes into 12 sessions, maybe investigate train the trainer on a PA Day. Council in support to fund this initiative.</p>	
<p>3.0 Standing Items</p> <p>3.1 Financial Update</p>	<p>Financial Update</p> <p>-Still waiting for the carry-over to be approved, and waiting for scholastic order numbers to come in. QSP profit \$1700 – awaiting jewelry & prizes to come in.</p> <p>School Requests</p> <p>-Carpet cleaner donation has been approved (\$3500)</p> <p>-Gym Media Equipment - \$5k for the screen, media (WIFI/blue tooth) an additional \$20k, price can come down if the board electrician does it. Maybe piggy back with the construction of the new daycare so we can cost share. Fundraise and save specifically for this.</p> <p>-Refurbished Red and Blue Pods – estimates coming tomorrow. Expecting \$10k. Since the carpet cleaner was donated, we’ll move forward with both.</p> <p>-Yoga – Two sessions per class approved as a pilot and re-evaluate for next year.</p>	

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3.2 Fundraising & Events	<p>Pizza Thursdays -Going well. Sign-up again in January. -Looking for member to shadow, plan and lead next year.</p> <p>QSP Fundraiser -Complete</p> <p>Book Fair -Complete</p> <p>Movie Night + Kernels Popcorn -Coming soon Jan.24th. - Discussion: One room for all in gym vs older/younger separation; plan movie themes around holidays or seasons; parents prefer doors open at 6 and movie start at 630pm; bring your own blankets/pillows; offer pizza orders of large pizzas on school day, no individual slices; offer kernels popcorn orders on school day, offer packaged candy and water for sale. Movie selection TBD. Erin to preview Smallfoot as a potential movie selection. Star Team and other classes to make the posters. No admission fee.</p> <p>Groove-A-Thon -Coming soon Feb.14th. -Planning underway. School schedule needed.</p> <p>MacMillans -Coming soon Mar.18th. -Tues April 16th as delivery. Forms home on March 18th and submitted on the 29th – meat (25% profit) and classic form (35% profit)</p> <p>Laura Secord Chocolates -Laura Secord Chocolates: confirmed kick-off for January 24th. – 9:45 start time. It 100% has to be nut-free. Jacki to confirm. Write in the letter that this is fundraising to replace the gym media equipment. Fundraiser opt out letter to be sent out on January 14th, Jacki to give Erin the letter by the end of the week. Chocolates going home on January 28th and the money or leftovers to be returned</p>	<p>Lead: Lisa Seeking new lead for 2019-2020</p> <p>Leads: Angela & Dawn</p> <p>Leads: Kirstie & Lisa</p> <p>Lead: Cameron</p> <p>Lead: Jacki Seeking volunteer 9:45-10:15 second week of fundraiser to support Jacki.</p>

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	<p>11th. Jacki to help with traffic in the office every morning from 9:15-9:45 every morning.</p> <p>Grade 6 Graduation + Yearbook Planning underway. Researching possible options and will begin gathering photos.</p> <p>Saginaw Stars BBQ -Tentative date is set for Wednesday, June 12th -Planning to start in 2019.</p> <p>Bingo -No further discussion.</p>	<p>Leads: Mary & Jacki</p> <p>Lead: Kirstie</p> <p>Lead: Mary</p>
4.0 New Business	<p>Council Board & Suggestion Box -In progress. Suggestion was made to increase council presence in the school. Erin suggested we can use the board at front entrance. Erin also found a potential suggestion box from Staples that we could place near the board. We can inform parents about council role, meetings, upcoming events, and perhaps a “Did you know” section every month.</p> <p>Motivational speaker Sara Westbrook -Follow-up discussion re parent suggestion. Speaker is expensive and low follow through since they don’t have much connection with the school. Potentially something for parents. Postpone for future discussion.</p> <p>Next year fundraising ideas -Boston Pizza or East Side Mario’s Day -Indigo Store community donation days</p>	<p>Lead: Mary. Angela offered to help if needed.</p>
5.0 Next Meeting	January 23, 2018	
6.0 Meeting Adjourned	8:35pm	