

Joseph Gibbons School Council Agenda

Meeting Date: May 5th 2025 Google Meets

Time: 5:30pm -6:30pm at Joseph Gibbons

Attendance

In Attendance:

Christine Monkton, Kelly Sweeting, Richard Scott, Farah Sheikh, April Forbes, Kim Cation, Kris McConaghy, Samantha Kranstz

Regrets: Isabel Hogan, Nicky Huber

Welcome, Introductions and Agenda Overview – All:

Approval of previous meetings minutes: Approved

Principal's Report - Kim Cation:

- Thank you to George's company that donated the \$5460.
 - For Treetop Trekking
 - Tree walk for kindergarten and gr1
 - o G2-5. GPS Rally & Discovery Course
 - o Total cost: \$5,843.34 with bussing
 - Ask: will parent council buy the rest \$383.34
 - Approved
 - First: Kelly Sweeting
 - Second: Christine Monkton
- Working on getting play ready
 - Tickets are available on School Cash online (not distributed yet)

Teacher Rep's Report- Kris McConaghy:

- Staff getting ready for relay meet
- Gr 3- swim to survive
- Track & Field soon
- This week is mental health week
- Kris finalizing report for Halton Learning Foundation for grant money received
- EQAO in June

Treasury & Budget Update:

- Of \$1124, \$383.34 being moved out of 'field trips' bucket
- School council \$6k left in other bucket
- Kindergarten orientation is June 4 same day as BBQ
- Teacher Requests
 - Support for kindergarten orientation bags \$300
 - Add a pamphlet for parent council into this bag
 - 20 incoming students
 - Approved
 - First: Christine Monkton
 - Second: Kris McConaghy
 - Gr 5 celebration t shirts funding: \$250
 - Approved
 - First: Richard Scott
 - Second: April Forbes
 - Gr 5 survival kit for Gr 6 funding: \$150
 - Approved
 - First: Richard Scott
 - Second: April Forbes
 - o Chromebooks needing replacement. Need approx. 30 units. (2024 price is \$375 ea.)
 - Parent council set aside money for this next year

Fundraising:

- School fundraisers
 - o Cheque came from the t shirts, \$353.69 to be deposited
 - No more fundraisers from school or parent council
- Parent Council Fundraising
 - See above- no more fundraising

Upcoming Events:

- School Events
 - Spring concert
 - Deadline is May 14 to claim your 2 tickets for afternoon and evening show
- Parent Council Events
 - o Family Fun Fair

- Want teacher participation as much as possible
 - o How do we do this? Kindergarten teachers will be here
 - They'll come, not to worry
- Not community wide event but for schools' families
- o Ideas:
 - Bouncy Castle School is not willing to accept this liability at this time
 - Tyler Magician: ~\$300
 - Roxana Bubble lady: \$340 for 1 hour outdoors
 - o Balloon Animal
 - Face Painting
 - Spider Man
 - Ballon artist
 - o Blow up style games
 - Company: The Main Event
 - Worked with Halton School Board before
 - Games we already have (hula hoops, games etc)
 - Food
 - If we BBQ ourselves we would need to get a permit from Halton Region
 - Popcorn machine, hotdog, ice cream truck
 - Ice cream truck already has a permit for school events (Ice cream for you)
 - Make sure food is inclusive
 - Highschool students volunteer? Yes
 - o Raffle: rules changed (Ap 14)
 - Can participate in an activity and receive a ticket and this can go into a draw
 - Just cannot get/exchange any money
 - Can every class come up with a raffle basket (kid friendly)
 - o Can we have vouchers set aside for food?
 - Everyone has to register when they come in
 - Every kid gets a ticket and parents buy
 - Can we BBQ ourselves? Yes
 - Parent Council to meet separately and decide on details/cost to be approved by the council as a whole via email

Community Engagement:

- Spring fling
- Welcoming new kindergartens
 - o Parent Council booth should be setup

PIC:

-Update: NA

Topics for next meeting and Action Items: NA

Next Meeting Date: NA