

Maple Grove Public School

School Council Meeting – November 14, 2022, Maple Grove Public School Gymnasium

Attendees: see listing in Appendix A

1. Meeting called to order at 7pm by co-chair Alison Hodd
2. Minutes of last meeting held October 3, 2022
 - a. Motion to approve, made by Shahan Farood, **APPROVED**
3. Adoption of agenda
 - a. Motion to approve adoption of agenda made by Alison Hodd, **APPROVED**
4. Presentation from student ambassadors who discussed their roles as Maple Grove Student Senators and ambassadors.
5. Welcome
 - a. Principal McKenzie Wells presented the Honoring of Land and discussed the purpose of School Council.
6. Treasurers Report – Josh Hogarth
 - a. Josh presented the report indicating that the current balance of funds was approximately \$111,000, with approximately \$69,000 earmarked for the outdoor play area project.
 - b. Josh will prepare a forward looking budget for the next council meeting.
7. Teacher Update – Nicole Hamel
 - a. Topics discussed were;
 - i. Winter clothing and toiletries drive,
 - ii. Scholastic book fair and,
 - iii. Spirit wear redesign to celebrate 150 years,
 - iv. New mural to be painted at top of Junior Hall/Art room.
8. Principal / Vice Principal update – Melissa McKenzie Wells and Lisa Markham
 - a. Lisa presented and discussed;
 - i. The HDSB multi-year plan,
 - ii. Bully Prevention Plan - the plan is being reviewed and revised with input from students and staff,
 - iii. There was a discussion about using Paul Davies as a speaker. Some members expressed that his message may be dated or not connecting with the students. Melissa indicated that the school would consider looking into alternate speakers for future presentations.

- iv. Discriminatory and Harmful Language Protocol,
 - v. Code of Conduct – this has been communicated to all students.
- b. Melissa presented and discussed;
 - i. The outdoor playground project – indicating that all the preliminary work has been completed and we are waiting for sign-off from the town. \$60,000 was previously committed to the project, however with delays costs have increased,
- 9. Budget request – Melissa McKenzie Wells
 - a. Melisa presented the current budget request for \$16,000,
 - b. The items requested were discussed by council,
 - c. Motion to approve the budget request as presented, made by Stacie Kamin, **APPROVED.**
- 10. Fundraising update – Candace Whitney
 - a. New activities for December proposed are Cobbs and Terra,
 - b. Motion to approve the new fundraising proposals, made by Alison Hood, **APPROVED.**
- 11. Volunteer update – Val Presti
 - a. Val noted that first request for additional volunteers only garnered 5 replies, Val will resend the volunteer request,
 - b. Noted that pizza participation is roughly 80%, which is consistent with prior years. Team is happy with Panago. First half netting approximately \$12, 000, expect same for second half of the year.
 - c. Pita participation is 80 students, down from 100 last year. Net proceeds approximately \$1,300 for first half, expect similar for second half of year.
 - d. Lunch lady participation is 50 students. Net proceeds approximately \$200 for first half, expect similar for second half of year.
 - e. Motion to approve \$10 tip to pizza driver, made by Alison Hood, **APPROVED.**
- 12. Parent Involvement Council (PIC) update – Francesca Rathbone
 - a. Noted each school that participates receives grant of \$300 (was \$500).
 - b. Noted first PIC meeting will be held November 17, 2022
 - c. Noted PIC conference being planned for May 2023.
- 13. Adjournment
 - a. Motion to adjourn meeting at 9:05pm, made by Alison Hood, **APPROVED.**

Appendix A – Attendees List

Doug Renton – Co-chair
Josh Hogarth
Grant Parson
Shahan Farood
Francesca Rathbone
Meagan Pilo
Stacie Kamin
Val Presti
Veronica Dejeu
Alison Hodd – Co-chair
Melisa McKenzie Wells – Principal
Lisa Markham – Vice-Principal
Candace Whitney
Joy Robson
Sophia Zhang