

School Council Meeting Minutes - April 7, 2025 6:30pm

Land Acknowledgement read by Melissa

P.A.L.S. Presentation

- -EVP's Playground Activity Leaders
- -students described the program
- -only have 3 vests but there are 4 students at any given time on the playground
- -seeking financial support to order some items for the PALS program
- -megaphones, hats, vests

Requesting

Vests- 6 -\$120

Megaphones-2-\$75

Hats-15-\$600

- -Kids did a half day training session with someone from the board to learn the games
- -active during all breaks; during recesses
- -\$795 total request
- -Motion put forth by Lisa M. for approval
- -approved by Jen B

Move-a-Thon

- -DJ Laird
- -hand stamp instead of glow-in-the-dark bracelets
- -80's and 90's theme music and art

- -collaborative effort between the students and school council
- -requesting a little bit of money to make this happen
- -\$400-450 budget requested
- -Jennifer brought forward the Motion seeking approval of the proposed budget and Gagan approved it

Minutes from February 3/25

-Lisa M. approved the Minutes and Jen B. seconded the Motion approving the Minutes

Principles Report

- -celebrated Down Syndrome Day and World Autism Day
- -eco club is taking great initiative in bringing forward actionable things that can be done in the school
- -great staff team working on outdoor activities and what community can offer to students
- -had a few Eagles Spirit Days
- -Wear what you love day
- -Movie Night- huge success

Recycling Challenge

- -CN Pizza Tower made by Grade 2-3 class
- -Grade 3 class made an announcement about water filtration and water systems
- -every single student shared from Ms. Jain's class

Coming Soon/Reminder

- -Wednesday is International day of Pink
- -KG orientation
- -promote KG registration- staffing is based on those numbers

Disney Frozen

coming soon-May 9th

Students practicing daily

DJ Delf

- -coming to HDSB for all grade 6 students
- -too many students, not enough spots at the location
- -we've been asked to keep our students here and DJ DELF will come to perform for some of the students here

Jump Rope For Heart

-coming up soon

Reminder-Volunteers in Schools

- -annual offence declaration needs to be completed by all volunteers
- -has to be printed and brought in

Treasurers Report

School Lunchbox

- -Jan- school made \$704 profit
- -Feb-\$600 profit
- -few more volunteers did come in
- -Subway and Hero Burger right now is what we are using
- -what about snacks, they could be added?

New Business for June

- -look into Lunchbox
- -Sam might know more about this
- -Food for Good (Jennifer) mentioned this- can likely get something for \$5 approx.
- -could be added to the list for next year

Pizza

- -added a 3rd session
- -a bunch of people ordered again
- -posted it to the FB group-more ppl saw it
- -shorter window resulted in more people ordering

PIC Update

- -virtual meeting on Thursday
- -Jennifer can circulate that
- -Mechelle went to the meeting
- -really did a good job on having the parents engaged
- -especially with Dr. Stevens-very insightful
- -a lot of perspective on how to deal with children, getting to their level
- -she was looking for a variation where all parents could be included (including parents of autistic children)
- -a lot of vendors
- -parents and children were engaged
- -mini-workshops were focused on different topics such as "meeting them where they are"

New Business

- -Chris Vollum- Parent Social Media
- -came to EVP a few years ago

- -messaging is coming at a really great time when there are in school discussions about social media with the children
- -perhaps will open it up to PLR parents and/or feeder French immersion school parents as well
- -grant- applied and get either \$500 or \$750
- -he is only charging \$525+HST
- -Lisa M. asked if we can ask him about parental controls/tools for parents to monitor
- -this is for the parents
- -is this going to be ok for kids to attend as well? Or will this be exclusively for parents?
- -maybe we can offer some babysitting for the parents who need to bring their children
- -marketed just for adults
- -he did offer to do a student session too, but at this point concentrating on parent views

Fall Fair

- -everything last year was a hit
- -2 balloon individuals worked extremely hard
- -3 balloon artists for \$1260+HST
- -Jen B. brought the Motion to approve; Jennifer seconded the Motion and approved it
- -maybe we can have senior classes or grade 8's going off to grad 9 in Sept. come back
- -Mechelle asked that there may be some vendors she works with at work
- -are in agreement on the costs
- -Jen B. booked popcorn
- -Pizza is done
- -Jeeny reached out to Blackstone and Scooters but we haven't heard back as yet
- -2 ice cream trucks this year would be preferred

Movie Night review

- -system was good
- -a lot of volunteers
- -everything went very well in terms of distributing the food
- -do the same system next year
- -almost broke even
- -almost made enough on the food to pay for presswood

Grade 8 Grad request

- -kids are going to fundraise to pay for the cost of the trip
- -looking at some fundraising
- -maybe some of the popcorn days will go straight to the grad trip costs
- -Niagara Falls for the day on a coach bus
- -couple hours on Clifton hill
- -Rainforest café for dinner
- -they get back around 7:30PM
- -hoping to bring their costs down from \$189 to \$150 per child
- -if they can raise some money this would be helpful
- -\$40 per student
- -we make \$0.65 per unit sold
- -grade 8s can organize, distribute it
- -do every Friday in May or June
- -do 5 Fridays in May

Motion to approve 5 popcorn days in May funds raised will go to help with Grade 8 graduation trip costs

-Motion approved by Lisa M and seconded by Jen B.

Recess Issue

- -some kids have been complaining about recess
- -ice and safety issue
- -property has been on the list for major project renewal
- -it has deteriorated since it was put on the list
- -at the very least it needs to be re-graded
- -right now the water is not draining properly
- -the grass stays really wet
- -QDF- planned physical activity
- -want the kids to run and play

Next and last meeting is June 2nd
Meeting Adjourned- 7:30PM