

## Lanor Parent Council Meeting

Thursday, April 9th, 2015

### Minutes

In Attendance: Alison Gaymes San Vicente (Principal), Rosanna Aceto (acting as chair), Katrina Kenny (Teacher Representative), Althea Robinson, David Robinson (Treasurer), Domingo Rodriguez, Sarah Harwood (Secretary).

Call to order by Rosanna at 6:35p.m.

#### **Welcome and Introductions: (Rosanna Aceto)**

#### **Review of previous minutes: (January)**

- Approved by David, seconded by Sarah
- Sarah to email Kerry Morton to convey updated meeting schedule

#### **Chair's Report: (Rosanna Aceto)**

- Veseys (Sarah)- Raised about \$100. Council agreed to extend fundraiser date to April 24.
- Staff Appreciation (Sarah) –Date set as Thursday, June 4<sup>th</sup> as a luncheon; Sarah to forward letter to Alison (re: monetary donations from parents); Council approved up to \$150 to purchase supplies/food
- Movie Night- Rosanna was going to touch base with Erin to see about date and plans; however after looking into dates, council decided to postpone this event and hold 2 next year for November and Feb. Alison will look into getting a license so admission could be charged.
- PRO Grant for next year due May 19<sup>th</sup> – Althea will fill out report and suggested to go STEM focused, Technology based-helping parents understand programs their children are using and how they are used in schools; can receive up to \$1000; Alison to ask Cameron about money from last year, as we did receive a PRO Grant; Katrina asked if remainder could be used for this year (for Lanor's STEM workshop May 6<sup>th</sup>).
- QSP- Fall better to launch than now- can do entertainment books as well
- Re launch Fundscrip in the fall
- Sarah mentioned the idea of asking for family donations (i.e., suggested \$25) to parent council instead of fundraising; to be discussed at next meeting. Need to check about tax receipts and whether it would be a feasible option for our school.

#### **Principal's Report: (Alison Gaymes San Vicente)**

- May 4<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> is Education week; to increase STEM awareness, Lanor will be holding a STEM night; parents will circulate to four events with their children; tentatively scheduled for May 6<sup>th</sup> @ 6:30 for K-8 students
- Mental Health and Wellness Symposium- Sat. May 9 @Earl Haig Secondary School  
8:30-9:30 Registration  
9:30-2:45 Program
- School Improvements-Room 5 retiled; office to be painted, benches in lobby to be replaced; shrubs to be planted in front; Ms. Rossi's classroom to be retiled this year as well; chain at Middle School end of school to be moved to prevent cars from getting close to exit door
- Rosanna asked about East Parking lot parking spots- can grass area can be paved for more space to park?
- Girls washroom complaints; Alison will tell kids to let them know if maintenance is needed
- Growth Mindset- ability to be competent at anything- just need practice; 2 good books "Mindsets in the Classroom"- Mary Coy Ricci book purchased for all teachers and "The Happiness Advantage" - Shawn Achor

- School Organization- sitting at 204 students projected for next year
- Staffing Allocation is down from 14 to 12; 1 Resource, 0.5 Library, Itinerant ESL, Staffing Model has 2 JK/SK classes, 5 Primary/Junior classes and 2 Intermediate classes
- Teachers attending Inquiry learning sessions and the Rottman School of Business for 3 days

### **Teachers report (Katrina Kenny)**

- Volleyball- junior team moving on, Hockey finished 2<sup>nd</sup> place, basketball; kingscourt for juniors, lego club, choirs, circuit training, yoga, girls' and boys' club amongst many other activities
- Engineer in Residence, Gr. 1-8 Carnivale was last week, Awards assembly, Black History Month, Officer Rich visits, Earth Hour, STEM exam for LCI (Grade 8s)
- Coming up; Hercules Play (student in Grade 8 organizing ) June 4<sup>th</sup> , Junior Achievement, Eco Day clean up, Grade 6-8 trip to Harbourfront, Grade 7-8 ESA for performance, Talent Show May 8<sup>th</sup>, Kindergarten Open House May 6<sup>th</sup>. @4:30 and STEM night to follow.
- Skate Day April 16<sup>th</sup> - Sarah to check from her school if helmets can be borrowed
- EQAO- May 25<sup>th</sup> Parent Council to provide snacks; all 3's together to write and 2s together to continue with regular program
- Music Monday (May 4)
- Instrumental Concert is May 21<sup>st</sup>

### **Treasurer's Report: (David Robinson)**

- AS of March 31- \$6381
- Committed Expenses
  - Scientist (\$582)
  - EQAO Snacks( \$200)
  - Grade 8 Grade (\$200)
  - Kinder Registration (\$15)
  - Teacher Appreciation. (\$150)
- Less a \$1500 desired balance leaves us with \$2271.05; suggested idea to purchase were a smart board for library;
- Alison to ask teachers for a wish list

Next Meeting: May 14<sup>th</sup>, 2015 at 6:30p.m.

Meeting Adjourned at 8 p.m.