

## Harold Longworth Public School Council Meeting Minutes November 15, 2023

### Individuals in attendance:

Sherry Richer, Tanya Doyle, Lisa Butson, Michelle Van Dyk-Houghton, Jessica Knapp, Eileen Jones, Ashley Reynolds, Kathryn Hopley, Amanda Robertson, Tara McLean, June Smith, Lena Anderson, Asma Arab

**Regrets:** Shannon Schryer, Melissa Thompson, Amy Wood, Chantelle Stiff, Siobhan Delacour, Deseraye Campbell

**Call to order:** 6:34

**Approval of Meeting Minutes – October 2023:** Motion to Approve – Tara, Seconded – Lena

### PRINCIPAL'S REPORT:

- **Sports:** Volleyball (junior and intermediate)
- **Rubix Cube Club:** Ms Bruce and Mr. Wrightly (grades 4-8) – virtual competitions against other schools
- **Spelling Bee Club:** Ms. Foster and Ms Wells (compete against other schools also)
- **Leadership Club:** Ms. Foster and Ms. Bedbrook
- **Bus evacuation practice** – 7 buses, successful practice. All students done before 1<sup>st</sup> recess. Back December 1<sup>st</sup> for sit-down safety presentation
- **Progress Reports** - Done and going out on Friday
- **Contest** - Be a hero for wildlife program – Soper Creek coming to put on presentations in the gym – Thank you to Lisa for applying for HLPS!! Grades 1-3 and fits with science curriculum. December 4<sup>th</sup> presentation
- **Winter Concert December 15<sup>th</sup> (for parents)** – Thursday will be the dress rehearsal day for students to watch

### TREASURER'S REPORT :

#### Money that has been raised in the past month:

\$2013 for Big Box of Cards Fundraiser

\$6,573.00 in Pizza Sales for November with \$4676.88 with a profit of \$1896.12  
Treats

Nov. Popcorn - \$579.90 Deposit – November Invoice \$258.18 – Profit \$321.72

Oct. Muffins - \$385.80 Deposit – \$116.51 Expenses – Profit \$269.29

Nov. Cookie - \$539.50 Deposit - November Invoice \$444.77 - Profit \$ 94.73

Oct. Ice Cream - \$851.40 Despot – November Invoice – Profit \$355.81

#### Items/experiences purchased in the past month:

Accounts have been allocated as per last meeting's discussion to the pillars.

Ashley mentioned that Grade 8 Graduation funding has not yet been allocated. – **Tabled for discussion in January meeting** (as well as organizing a committee for assisting with organizing graduation i.e. ordering cupcakes, etc)

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## FUNDRAISING :

- **Big Box** – Closed – We sold 183 boxes and raised just over \$2000
- **Pizza** – Volunteers are showing up and doing a great job(students coming for volunteer hours and adults coming)
  - o Volunteer hours are about 10:30-11:30 (ish)
  - o Still need more volunteers – going to push to the Facebook groups again
- **Milk Program** – can we tack this on to pizza days? Would depend on volunteer help also potentially fridge space. Will depend on how often they would deliver and what day (if they deliver on the Wednesday morning we could immediately deliver with the pizza) – **Lena will look into the programs and how they are run and let us know**
- **Treat Friday** – Muffins this Friday. Going forward if there is a PA Day/Holiday on a Friday we will omit the treat day instead of moving it to the Thursday. Schedule in the kitchen will outline which treats are being skipped in the specific months
  - o Last ice cream day there wasn't enough volunteers, could probably sell more if there were more runners
  - o Volunteer hours are second break
- **Holiday Market** – Wednesday November 22 – Lost a couple of vendors but had overbooked and have some additional applications so it should still be a full set.
  - o We need about 10 student volunteers in 2 shifts for set-up, coffee table, block doors, and clean-up
    - Sign needed for donation table
    - Siobhan trying to get coffee
    - Council members to put out feelers for coffee urns so we can make a vat of hot chocolate
- **Poinsettias** – Orders closed – Pick-up November 30 – Eileen, Kathryn, Michelle, and Jess to organize and hand out
- **Ms. Barrie** – shortbread fundraiser open now

## ADDITIONAL ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

- **Treat Fridays** – Staff have indicated some issues with treat Fridays. Kids trying to sneak food outside, having money in the building, chaos in the hallways, kids trying to stay inside to finish food, ongoing interruptions in the office (dropping off money because it was forgotten in the morning). Suggestions: Move to School Cash Online (potentially lose some profit) or stick with the cash but we would need more volunteers (come early in the morning)
  - o **Vote – majority in favour of moving to School Cash Online**
  - o **Vote – majority in favour of increasing muffins to \$2 to align with the rest of the Treat Friday prices**

- **Michelle to write a positive blurb on the new procedure** – Starting in January move to School Cash Online and the price increase for muffins – Cash will continue until the end of December
- **Grant application time!** Michelle to complete the application toward the Get Real Program
  - **“Get Real” Program** – Virtual and In Person workshops combatting LGBTQ2S+ discrimination, anti-racism, anti-bullying - \$700+HST for 2 of the same workshop – would cover all students from grade 6-8 (for in-person workshops)
- **Flag Options** – Tara did some investigating. 2 options: Tear-drop or feather \$364.99 for 10ft tall, 7.5ft is \$205 for teardrop or \$184 for feather (includes stands and carry bags, etc) – Vista Print Canada or Commercial Press and Sign \$360 for 10ft/\$306 for 6ft. – Approximately \$1400 for 4 flags –
  - **Vote: Majority Yes to purchase the flags (from Community Building pillar)** (Tara will mock up a couple of options to email to council for review and hopefully put the order in on Black Friday for some additional deals)
- **New vendor for spirit wear** (hopefully start in winter with an order)
- **Sound system organized, probably money leftover and hopefully installed before holiday concert** – Long & McQuaid coming to check current set-up and compatibility but should be good to go
- **Immunization Volunteers Needed (November 29)** – fulfilled (volunteers needed for 9:30am)

**FUTURE MEETINGS – all at 6:30 in library**

**January 24**

**February 21**

**April 17**

**May 15**

**June 19**

**Adjournment:** 8:26pm.

**Next Meeting:** January 24, 2023 @ 6:30pm