

Elizabeth Simcoe School Council Minutes – June 1, 2017

Attendees: Alicia Edwards, Anita Wright, Cindy Kosa, Janna Solman, Joe Pochodyniak, Karlyn Tunbridge, Kim McLennan, Lucy Medeiros, Maria Pochodyniak, Melissa So, Roza Mangos, Shirley Bernardo, Tanya Massad, Cassandra Lake, Sabrina Hayden, Stuart Rogers, Rich Holt, Maria Christopoulos, David Paton, Jamie Galt, Heather Lin, Kerri Commisso, Jennifer Houle, Lana Durst, Jason Dubroy

1. Welcome

- Mrs. Noble, Mrs. Di Paolo, and Mrs. Tsioutsoulas delivered an in depth presentation detailing the existing technology program and identified areas for possible investment
- Technology proposal presented to Council included purchasing a new tech cart with (30) Chromebooks and additional iPads
- Adding more resources will help teaching staff to support an increased technology programming (i.e. coding in the classroom, google classroom, Scratch, etc.)
- Existing challenge is that there are not enough computers to fully facilitate the program
- Proposal ask: \$15,000 - \$20,000

2. Approval of April 2017 Minutes

- Review and approval of April minutes

3. Principal's Report – Janna Solman

May Recap

- May has been busy month activities included:
 - Children's mental health week, EQAO Rewss
 - EQAO testing for Grades 3 & 6
 - Multi sports (i.e. soccer, track & field)
 - Wizard of Oz production
 - Playground basketball net(s) installation
- Some staffing changes for the upcoming school year including the following departures:
 - Mrs. Nufer, Mrs. Ioannou, and Mr. Knight

PARC Process

- June 5 presentation and vote to be held with TDSB trustees

4. Sunshine Childcare – Kim R

- Families are reminded to submit Sept. programming registrations

5. Treasurers Report – Karlyn for David

- Current council budget: \$48,774.05
- Simcoe Social/ Auction raised \$3300

- \$20,000 (approx.) to be allocated to the playground – installation to begin summer 2017

6. Communications Report

- The final Simcoe workshop for the year will be held on June 14 – focused on the key principles of positive parenting
- Sabrina will be submitting upcoming school year event dates to Sam for inclusion in the calendar
- Year-end summary of Council funded events and initiatives to be distributed to school community prior to last day
- Simcoe Social wrap-up email to be sent in the coming days
- Sabrina and Rodney continue their work on updating the school website – aiming for Sept. to launch
- Council to approve \$400 for website requirements

7. Approved Activities

- RBC volunteer grant – \$500 to be donated from existing parent
- Investigating both The National Ballet of Canada in school program and the Seven Sacred Grandfather Teachings with Esther Osche <https://mariposaintheschools.ca/> for upcoming school year
- Looking into logistics associated with hosting a financial literacy workshop for students (targeting grades 4/5)
- Nitwits - once again organizing two school visits for upcoming school year (\$800)

8. Upcoming Events/Updates

Branded Canopy

- Thanks to Lucy for ordering 2 10x10 branded canopies – they have now arrived and will be used at upcoming school events

Digital Yearbook

- \$655 total – June 9 deadline for photos submission
- Rich to coordinate production and delivery to school
- Discs to be distributed to students/families with report cards

Valu-Mart Fundraiser

- Fundraiser raised \$1,040
- Council to revisit running this fundraiser again in during the upcoming school year

Big Box Fundraiser

- School-wide fundraising to be kicking-off in Oct. 2017

Back-to-School BBQ

- Sept. 21, 2017

Next Meeting: Sept. 2017