

Minutes

Thursday, November 29, 2018

Attendees: (Voting members) Sabrina Hayden; Alicia Edwards; Stuart Rogers; Heather Lin; Jamie Galt; Karlyn Tunbridge; Cassandra Lake; Kathy Karakasidis; Melissa So; Shirley Bernado;

(Non-Voting members) Beth Brooks; Carolyn Glasgow; Cindy Kosa; Hong Chen; Lucy Medeiros; Tanya Massad

(Guests) – Joanna Kirkoff; Maria Luisa Willan; Rachelle Berube

Regrets: Lara Durst, Anita Wright, Sharmila Sivasankaran; Pearl Lamont; Hilary Kerr; Susannah Musselman; Kerri Commisso; Kim McLennan; Saumiya B; Sheryl Joyner; Subhashini Balakrishnan

Principal – Janna Solman

1. Welcome/Introductions

Sabrina Hayden – welcomed everyone to the meeting

2. Approval of October 2018 Minutes

Sabrina – Review and approval of October minutes

- Heather Lin and Karlyn Tunbridge approved the minutes

3. Principal's Report

Janna Solman, Team Leader

- 1) Thanks to:
 - Andrei, Gabriel – Pizza Day
 - Tanya, Alicia, Kim, Heather, Debbie – Angel Tree
 - Pearl and Team (including Sound team) – Movie Night
 - Anita, Sharmila – Spirit Wear
 - Lucy, Alicia and Team – Book Fair, which starts November 30
- 2) Choir – preparing for Winter Concert on December 6
- 3) Boys Volleyball – practice underway; Julie Gordon – professional volleyball player ran a workshop with the team November 29
- 4) Pajama Day – November 30
- 5) Play: Mary Poppins – Juniors went to see the show this week
- 6) School Play: Peter Pan Auditions – Forms went home this week
- 7) ECO club – started composting project
- 8) School Clubs – Lego club, games club, girl's volleyball all starting through Winter
- 9) Parent Census 2016 -2017 – Results are in:
 - 2017 Grade 4 to 6 Students: very positive results in safety, student well fair and teacher engagement
 - Parents: 66% participation rate – respect and safety scored high



- 10) Board News – Simcoe has newly elected Superintendent and Trustee for the school – Nadira Persaud replaces Kerry-Lynn Stadnyk as Superintendent at TDSB and Zakir Patel replaces Jerry Chadwick as Trustee
- 11) Kindergarten Playground assessment completed. Simcoe is on the list to have the playground area upgraded. Expected to be completed by spring 2019

4. Sunshine Childcare Update

Kim Rogers, Sunshine Supervisor

- Fundraising – Vandemeer orders due December 10
- Holiday Registration Forms due December 5
- Volunteer Santa required to greet children and hand-out gifts. As the Sunshine Santa costume is very old, it can borrow a Santa Suit from either Karlyn or Carolyn.
- Need plastic hockey sticks and Lego donations wanted.

5. Treasurer's Report

Stuart Rogers, Treasurer

- Explained that a high level summary of accounts will be provided at council meetings. A more detailed financial report is available upon request.
- The summary of accounts at November 2019:

Total receipts	\$20,340
Expenditures	\$15,085
Profit/Loss	\$ 5,255

6. Communications Report

Heather Lin

- 1) Communications approval process – it was discussed and clarified. Information to be communicated to the school community needs to be sent to the council Communications sub committee (Kathy, Sharmila, Sabrina, and Heather) two weeks in advance of eblast. Once approved by Communication team it is sent to Principal, Janna Solman and Council Chair, Sabrina Hayden for approval. Eblast includes Facebook, website and email to parents. Rob Worling can assist with e-blast posts. Communications process to be posted on the school website under Communications.
- 2) Past e-blasts communications on school website
- 3) Guildwood News & Views submissions are due:

March 1, 2019
June 7, 2019
September 9, 2019
- 4) Create Dashboard on new council website – Topics: Rink; Winter Concert; Fun Fair

7. Finalized Approved Activities for This Year

Sabrina Hayden

- Dates confirmed for African Dance/Drum Workshop on Wednesday, February 20, 2019 and Second City Workshop Wednesday, March 27, 2019. Updated Activities list to be sent out to council members.
- Move Game Night to Curriculum-Related activity as they are STEM certified.

8. Events Update

A. Movie Night

Sabrina Hayden for Pearl Lamont

- Was a success; earned \$644
- Thank you to all volunteers for making it a success.

**B. Angel Tree****Tanya Massad**

- Students picked angels from tree.
- Toy donations due December 10 and go to SCHC (Scarborough Centre for Healthy Communities).

C. Scholastic Book Fair**Lucy Medeiros**

- Book Fair Hours:
 - November 30 – Setup
 - December 3 – Classroom previews in morning and opened 12:30 to 3:45 PM
 - December 4 to December 6 – 8:30 AM to 3:45 PM (Closed from 11:30 – 12:30)
 - Winter Concert Dec 6 – 5:30 to 6:15 PM and from end of concert to 8:30 PM
- Parent Event on Tue, Dec 4 – coffee and muffins to be served from 8:40 AM to 9:30 AM
- Council agreed to pay for the coffee and treats for the Parent Event.
- Explained classroom wish lists would be up during the fair and student wish lists completed during previews on Monday morning would go home
- Commission – School gets 60% of sales over \$3,000, much of the commission (product) can be taken from the fair before it is returned. Teachers offered \$60 of product for classrooms from the commission.

9. Fund Raising Initiatives for 2018/2019**Group****A. February Fundraiser****Sabrina Hayden**

Everyone agreed not to run a spring fundraiser to allow for full focus on the Fun Fair.

B. Spirit Wear**Sabrina Hayden for Anita Wright**

- The orders will be ready on December 10.
- The following parents agreed to help with organizing the orders: Jamie, Sabrina, Tanya, Karlyn, Sharmila.

C. Pita Pit – School Lunch Program**Sabrina Hayden for Hilary Kerr**

- Discussed and agreed to move forward with the Pita Pit lunch once per month commencing with first Tuesday of the week beginning January and ending June 2019.
- A survey will be conducted at the end of the program to determine if parents liked the program and if the frequency should be increased.
- Need to determine how Council will be paid.

D. RBC Day Of Service**Sabrina Hayden for Susannah Musselman**

- In order to secure RBC resources and volunteers, need to decide on how we can volunteer.

E. Fun Fair**Karlyn Tunbridge**

- The DJ (DJ Mike) for the event will cost \$300. The cost was approved with a yes vote by 9 members.

F. Electronics Collection**Heather Lin and Sabrina Hayden for Sharmila Sivasankaran**



- Sharmila will collect any unwanted electronics and then submit it. The weight of the electronics determines the amount paid for the collection.
- Collection box to be placed in the school and at the Valu Mart.

G. Passive Fundraising

- We earned \$44 from Mabel's Labels on Black Friday weekend.
- Couple years ago, Kevin Willian set up other passive fundraisers. Maria Willian attended the meeting and asked Kevin Willian to look into other passive fundraisers.

10. Other Business

A. Ice Rink:

Sabrina Hayden

- Invite Paul Ainsley to rink opening ceremony. Offer hot chocolate.
- GVCA donated \$300 to rink tarp on condition they are allowed to post rink opening communication on their communication sites, (Guildwood Village Association site).
- Karlyn to confirm with Craig if he wants to continue to update rink Twitter account.

B. Power Play – Donor Recognition

Sharmila Sivasankaran

- Sharmila and Maya to decide on plague. If total cost is more than \$125 then Council approval is required.

C. Parent Workshops

Heather Lin

- i. Screen time – Need an expert (not just a parent)
- ii. Math Night – Should be added to activities under Curriculum.
 - Objective to show parents how to teach kids basic math skills
 - Received a Yes-vote from 12 council members to spend up to \$500.
 - Need approximately 12 volunteers (look for high school students and Laurier IB students)
 - Need to confirm date
 - Sharmila will run

D.) New Business

Rachelle Berube voiced concerns over the recent Provincial budget cuts and how that is impacting the TDSB's ability to provide SNA (Special Needs Assistant) support for children in the school, specifically her son who is diagnosed with autism.

Next meeting: Thursday, January 24, 2019