

Pleasant Park Parent Council Minutes for
February 19th at 6:45pm

1. Welcome, it's nice to see you all here tonight.
2. Emily motions to approve January's meeting Minutes, and Diane seconds it
3. Financial Report: we have around \$13,000 extra money to spend due to some events not going forward
 - 3.1. Committed funds for kinder sails, robotics, science kits: money not claimed yet but we expect that this will be spent
 - 3.2. Makermoblie: Principal Potvin will look into whether this money was spent and needs to be claimed
 - 3.3. Principal Potvin reports that the board is accepting of parent councils carrying money forward this year as long as we provide a solid rationale.
4. Council Update
 - 4.1. Funding approvals by Executive
 - 4.1.1. Speaker with mic for Council meetings \$112.99 (incl. tax)
 - 4.1.2. DVD player for Movie Night? Parent Council will ask school community for a donation.
 - 4.2. PPS' 60th Anniversary Celebration - date set for May 1-2
 - 4.3. School Play cancelled
 - 4.4. Winter Walk cancelled due to labour action
 - 4.5. Yearbook being produced solely by parents
5. Fundraising – no updates
6. Decision Items
 - 6.1. Request for \$90 for Vistas ad to let people know about PPS 60th anniversary alumni event
 - 6.1.1. **Motion:** Emily motions to approve \$90 for Vistas and Diane seconds.
 - 6.1.2.

- 6.2. Request for the 5 junior classes to receive dance classes from Luftgroove which they would be able to perform the dances to their parents in the gym. Funding of \$2,400. Discussion of also providing dance classes for 11 primary student classes.
 - 6.2.1. **Motion:** Diane motions to approve \$2,400 for junior dance classes from Luftgroove and Emily seconds.
 - 6.2.2. **Motion:** Emily motions to approve \$2,400 for primary dance classes from Luftgroove and Diane seconds.
 - 6.3. Request to purchase power sweeper for cleaning school play area pavement: \$1,500 to \$1,800
 - 6.3.1. Principal Potvin will seek more information to present to Parent Council at next meeting
 - 6.4. Request for overhead projector \$565 for library
 - 6.4.1. **Motion:** Diane motions to approve \$565 for purchase of overhead projector for library and Emily seconds.
 - 6.4.2. Principal Potvin will also look into the cost of an overhead projector for the school gym
 - 6.5. Request for funding for storage bins: executive approves Diane to spend up to \$500 on bins that she sources on sale
 - 6.6. Explanation: Project from EAs: idea is to decentralize body break room and move materials into hallways – will spend \$400 on materials. Funding comes from educational allotments so there is no request for new funding.
7. Administration's Update: see appended Admin's Report to School Council Future
 - 7.1. Diane asks whether board has a position on wearing gloves to serve food, as opposed to just washing hands. Principal Potvin will look into this.
 - 7.2. Diane asks if there is possibility for Parent Council to provide funding for outside groups to come into the school and run activities such as chess club.
 - 7.2.1. Principal Potvin will look into possibility, but any such activity would need to be supervised by Principal or Vice Principal. Additionally, this would need to be run past labour relations first.
 - 7.3. Angela asks about report cards. School messaging indicated that parents can request report cards, but now it is not possible to request the marks anymore.
 - 7.3.1. Principal Potvin explained that this policy was changed because it was not possible for admins to keep up with all the requests. However, parents can still ask teachers for information about their child's performance.
 - 7.3.2. Carolyn asks if there is an acceptable message Parent Council can share with parents and guardians to let them know that they can ask teachers about their

child's performance. Principal Potvin agreed that such language would be acceptable if it is consistent with what the board is saying. Carolyn will look into acceptable language to include in weekly Parent Council message.

8. New Business

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9. Next school council meeting – tentatively March 11, 2020

10. Adjournment was at 8:45pm.