



Pleasant Park Public School Council

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Pleasant Park School Council December 14th at 6:45pm – Meeting Minutes

In attendance: Kim Hunton, David Vlasblom, Laleah Beaudoin, Mark Cruise, Caren Hollinger, Jenn Vineham, Megan Falcon

1. Welcome and Indigenous Affirmation
2. Approval of Agenda and Minutes
 - a. David motions to approve agenda, seconded by Caren.
 - b. Laleah motions to approve Minutes of November 23rd, seconded by Caren.

ACTIONS CARRIED OVER FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

- **(November) Lisa to reflect on further fundraising initiatives [for outdoor initiatives] and report back in December on Winter Fun Day and others. *Post Meeting Note: Winter Fun Day proceeding as an event, potentially not a fundraiser.***
- **(November) Lisa to review previous suggestions received from Kindergarten educators (teachers and ECEs) and connect with Charlene on best way to hear additional suggestions. Lisa to also connect with Angela Jones from Aladin re: potential partnership for initiative installations.**
- **(November) Principal Cruise to investigate if the speaker connections can be fixed and if not look into purchasing updated equipment. Potential for use of existing equipment.**
- **(November) Principal Cruise to report back on what skates are still housed in the school and the condition. *Post Meeting Note: There are about 40 pairs of skates of misc. sizes and condition. They likely need to be sharpened.***

3. Financial Report

i.	Opening cash:	\$19,493
ii.	Amount raised:	\$49,232
iii.	Amount spent:	\$(602)
iv.	Amount committed:	\$(35,088)
v.	Outdoor Classroom Committed:	\$(26,000)
vi.	Current Balance (available to spend)	\$7,035

4. Introduction of new School Council Coordinators – Welcome and Thank You
 - a. Jenn Vineham is the new Fundraising Coordinator.

- b. Line Khattab is the new OCASC coordinator and Volunteer Coordinator
- c. Halema Hazzad is the new Diversity and Inclusion Coordinator

5. Principal/Admin Update

- a. Over \$1000 and over 20 boxes of food were raised for the Ottawa Food Bank. PPPS is running Spirit Week this week to celebrate the fundraising effort.
- b. Classes 2B and 2C made items to donate to the Shepherds of Good Hope.
- c. We now have one French tutor (after school), two math tutors (one during the day and one after school) and one English tutor (TBD). The program will run until March 23, 2023.
- d. Swim to Survive continues for Grade 3 students.
- e. Art at the Park has been cancelled due to contagion concerns in the gym.
- f. Kindergarten information session will be held on January 31st.

6. Discussion/Decision Items

- a. Any last 2022 funding requests from Staff
 - i. Update on Rock the Arts Puppet Theater additional funding approved by School Council Executive. Shows will be booked for February and will be for all classes at the school.
 - ii. Workshop at Science and Tech Museum: teacher Annie seeking \$291. There is no official date yet. School Council needs clarification on whether the funding request is within the field trip budget, or over and above. *Post Meeting Note: Classes 3B and 3C are included in this field trip and funding request is covered by the \$350/class allotment already approved.*
 - iii. Sean S. is requesting six new dodgeballs for the gym. The price is \$315 for a pack of 6. David motions to approve \$315 for a package of six dodgeballs, seconded by Caren. Motion approved.
- b. Yearbook: Caren and Charlene will run a Yearbook Club.
ACTION: Request for Volunteers to be included in the newsletter in the new year; Caren to report back on timing of club. Post Meeting Note: Caren has reported back that the club will be held afterschool for volunteer timing.
- c. Skis for Schools: Sean S. has indicated that himself, Richard and Françoise will be responsible for running the program. Skis have been tentatively booked for February 27th to March 1st. Kim will pick-up/drop-off the skis with Sean making arrangements for storage.
Kim motions to approve \$300 donation to Kichi Sibi Trails for skis, seconded by Laleah. Motion approved.
ACTION: Kim to coordinate with teachers to obtain boot size requirements.
- d. School Clothing - business names provided (Sam Group, Tuck Gear). Any sales will be coordinated by the school this year. Mark/Caren noted that we have a lot of leftover clothing from previous years that was intended for students in need. Any future sales to consider a small monetary donation to cover these items as opposed to purchasing clothing items.

ACTION: Mark/Caren will reflect on what to do with these items and if School Council can assist. Suggestions included: posting them online on a first come/first served basis, having them “for sale” for donate what you can, give them out as prizes.

e. Fundraiser Event for Outdoor Initiatives:

- i. Kim suggests organizing a trivia night fundraiser, planned to be held in late January or early February, either in the Pleasant Park gym or the Canterbury Community Centre. The event will likely be for adults and could include alcohol sales if held at the community centre. David V. volunteered to help coordinate.

Kim motions to approve \$500 for a trivia night (deposits etc.), seconded by Laleah. Motion approved.

ACTION: Mark will provide size for gym to assess how many tables can fit for an event. *Post Meeting Note: Gym is 16m by 12m. Tables are 6’ and there are a few 3’/4’ tables.*

Mark has inquired as to whether there are any issues with holding this event off-site and will report back.

- ii. Kim and Jenn have discussed the possibility of a Winter Wonderland Fun Day. Likely would be held on a Saturday afternoon in late February or early March. Kim suggested the possibility of renting equipment, maybe food trucks and/or bringing in performers such as Luv2Groove.

Jenn motions to approve \$500 for Winter Fun Day (deposits etc.) seconded by Caren. Motion approved.

7. Next School Council meeting January 25th at 6:45pm.

8. Adjournment was at 8:23pm.