



Home and School Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, September 10, 2019 - 6:30 PM (Library)
Start time 6:33pm

Attendees: Taken

1. Welcome and Sign-In

2. What We Do

- Introductions around the table

3. Membership & Insurance

- OFHSA
- Cost is \$20 to be a member. This gives you voting rights on how the funds will be used.

3. Executive Appointments

- One Co-chair stepping down.
 - She will still maintain the website and the newsletter.
- Other co-chair will remain in the chair position
- Vice Chair will remain in the vice chair position
- Treasurer will remain in the treasurer position
- Secretary will remain secretary position and other member will be back up

4. Principal's Message

- Christmas Carnival and Family Skate and all other events are fun
- Year has gone off to a great start – it is all running very smoothly
- We are down in numbers. At 355 kids this year. At risk of a re organization. Had to submit all the numbers to the board and they make the adjustments and let the school know. Grade 2 is currently light. Provincial cap is at 20 (soft cap), current class is at 17. Sept 24th is the date of re organization.
- First spirit day is this Friday.
- Re org day 24th
- Open house is booked for the 26th from 530 – 7pm
- Terry fox run is the 27th in the afternoon
- School budget – submitted at zero. Received HST rebate and have a cheque for 1700. A new program for reluctant readers called empower – for students that need a little boost in reading. Cost \$5000. Comes right out of sick Kids.
- Budget is \$38k. Everything comes out of this ie: paper, rentals, pencils. etc. Budgets are tight. The admin loves home and school and so do the teachers. Very fortunate to have a great home and school!!
- Sept 30 – orange shirt day
- October 1 – picture day

- Mrs. Pag will be running the Bolton Fall Fair – she is running the tug of war and will be completing the submissions. Last year Ellwood won a lot of prizes at the Bolton Fall Fair, which then paid for a performing arts presentation during the year.

5. Financial Update

- Pizza/sub days are the most profitable for the school. We must have parent volunteers to do this. Anyone that can volunteer would be great.
- Paid \$29k in teacher requests in 2018/2019 school year

7. 2019-20 Fundraising Goal & Teacher Requests

- Outdoor classroom.
- No teacher requests at this time

8. Spirit Wear

- Looking into hoodies for this year. Have a vendor in town and pricing
- Member will be sending the paperwork next week and have it open for two weeks
 - o T-shirts \$10
 - o Winter hats \$10
 - o Hoodies \$27

9. Fundraisers

- Pizza/Subs/Cookies/Hot Dogs – through MunchaLunch
- FlipGive & Mabel's Labels
- MacMillan's (Member has volunteered to run this program) – pick up date will be Nov 14th.
- Krispy Kreme – great fundraiser!! Gen working on dates to possibly do this 2x
- Chocolate Sales – Purdy's vs. Laura Secord. Possible other options?
- Charitable Donation – for next year? Give a tax receipt?

10. Christmas Carnival

- Book a date to get the permit out the way
- Tentatively – Dec 14th as a date

11. Open Discussion

- Family skating – rent the ice at the arena and come and skate with your kids for free. Approximately 150 people come. Member will be working on this now. She will try for the Sunday before coming back from Christmas break. (Jan 5th will be requested)
- Toonie drives for fundraisers – ie) hurricane Dorian \$2
- Bees in the kindi area with an exterminator here last night. Admin to follow up .
- Crosswalk request from the school planning project Peel of Peel and the OPP. Ellwood/Bel Air needs a crosswalk, could the school planning project work with this to help make a crosswalk in this area? Member to run with this as a tool to help move forward with this and connect with Admin.

**Thank you for coming to our Home & School meeting.
Our next meeting will be Tuesday, October 8th at 6:30pm in the library.**