



Home and School Association & Student Council Meeting – 16 October 2017

Attendance taken

Welcome, Sign In and Introductions

Meeting called to order at 6.33

Principal's Message

We are getting a new sign for the front of the school (digital). Should be done in the Spring.

PD day last Friday – Focused on Assistive technology, Zones of Regulation, Math

17th October - Albion Hills for Cross Country

7th November – Picture Retake Day

19th October – IEP going home

18th October – Boys and Girls Club of Peel (open to Allan Drive and Ellwood students at Albion Bolton Community Centre. Ages 6-12)

31st October – Halloween parade

Last Friday in October – Spirit Day: Black and Orange

MeToWe is doing a We Scare Hunger food drive in the next couple of weeks.

Lockdown drills and fire drills have started. New with lockdown procedure: protocol for bomb threats (similar to a hold and secure).

Kindergarten Playground Update

- Update given. Meeting was help with Henderson – 1200sq ft area designed. The proposed location has presented a snag. \$6-\$8,000 extra for drainage system. Initial design was \$24,000 + tax, and instillation brought it to \$30,000. Will need \$40,000 to proceed. Home and School would gift it to the Board who would then maintain it going forward.
- It was explained that Henderson will make a poster of the design that we can send home to the parents.
- Discussion about Spirit clothing – Two parents to look into businesses that print designs on clothes.
- It was questioned whether there are any local companies who were willing to give a grant to help and a parent asked for a package to approach companies with. Another parent inquired whether other sources of grants had been looked at.

Financial Update

We have roughly \$16,000 in our account.

MacMillans Update

Delivery date is Monday 20th November (pick up will be after school). We will remind parents the weekend before. Order forms have been received and just need to send them out. Chair of this fundraiser asked if anyone was wanting to help organise and work to taking over for next year. Parent volunteered to help.

Food Days Update

- Sub/Pizza/Pasta Days

We just closed Munchalunch for the first term. We have 25 less students this year. 80% of the orders were via Munchalunch. 78 Subs, 60 Pasta, 244 Pizza were ordered per week for this period. First week was last week and went smoothly. Made just over \$4000 profit.

- Freezies/Ice Cream Sandwiches Day

The freezies/ice cream sandwich day we had went really well. Question about frequency of treat days and whether they fall within government regulations.

Breakfast with Santa Update

Room is booked and Caledon Enterprise is donating a ¼ page to give thank yous for the donations provided.

BWS is Saturday 2nd December. We get the room at 6am.

Suggestion to ask Humberview as soon as possible for volunteers.

10 volunteers offered to help on the day.

Any donations we receive will keep costs down.

SAVE THE DATE: Sunday 7th January 12pm – 1.20pm. Family Skate.

FundScrip Update

Currently sitting the account is \$669. There will be more in the next round of pizza/sub ordering. Discussion about tacking on delivery of gift cards to MacMillan's date. MW to send out Fundscrip order forms shortly.

Eye on Ellwood Update

Current parent is unable to continue doing Eye on Ellwood. Another parent offered to take over with another offering to help.

Direct Donation Campaign

We discussed a direct donation campaign at the last meeting as some parents would rather just give money instead of buying into each fundraiser.

Teacher Requests

- B Bot Mats \$170 and Osmo Coding (plus tax and shipping) \$641.62
- Library: Forest of Reading (K-5) Primary will be participating in Blue Spruce and Junior classes will be using Silverbirch \$840
- Balls for the playground and classrooms \$474
- Scientist in the School for Grade 3 \$597 (\$2552.62)

Lengthy discussion regarding how to proceed with teacher requests this year; whether to budget x amount per class or to allot a certain amount to the teachers to withdraw from when they have a request. At this time majority voted that we cannot vote on the teacher requests. Discussion about sending out the direct donation to try and get funds up for the playground. Parent volunteered to prepare the paper to send out around the same time as MacMillans and Fundscrip.

Open Discussion

Health and Safety – Parent approached the Town about adding a crosswalk, but was denied. Another parent discussed an inappropriate image coming up in an innocent Google search and what precautions are put in place.

Next Meeting: Monday, 13th November 2017 at 6.30pm in library.