# Minutes KES Council October 26, 2016

Attendance: Teri MacDonald, Claudette Nyenhuis, Leah Laframboise, Xiang Sun, Jennifer Guerra, Stephanie Naismith, Kim Esdaile, Jasmine Quirk, Jennene Powers, Carla Backmeier, Sheila Ball, Harry DeRoo, Jeff Gervai, Ian Urbach, Andrea Clark

- 1. Called to order at 7:00pm.
- 2. Approval of minutes from Sep 28, 2016 Carla and Sheila
- 2a. Approval of agenda with addition of "other business" to discuss the Movie night.
- 3. Chair's Report Megan Venner

# Chapter's Fundraiser: November 2nd from 6:00pm - 9:00 pm

The volunteers are in place, but we need to promote the event. We will receive %20 of the sales in gift cards. There will also be a draw for teachers attending the event, for a Starbuck's gift card. Motion by Megan to budget \$20.00 to spend on a gift card, seconded by Ian, all in favour.

# Scholastic Book Fair: November at CES

The book fair is underway. Volunteers have been signing up and teachers have signed up to bring their classes. Leah is organizing a book drive for "pyjama patrol". Last year 792 kids received books. The book fair will be looking for donations of new or gently used books (no writing or names in books).

**Zone Meeting:** The Western area review is ongoing and the Board continues to look for input from parents. The gifted program changes will affect ALL students and their classrooms, not just the kids currently in the programs. These are significant changes to the program. Parents are encouraged to visit the Board website to be informed about the consultation process. The IB program is being considered for Merivale High School. The school is currently at %45 capacity, so there is lots of room, but bussing is a consideration. Here is the link for the online survey.

# **Online Consultation**

The next Public Meeting for the Western Area Review will be January 10th 2017.

**CES Chair Meeting:** CES is looking for more joint opportunities where both school can work together.

**Popcorn Fundraiser:** Nov 11th is the first popcorn day. There were 118 preorders. Expected profit \$1000.00. There will also be the opportunity to purchase on the day of.

There is a new format for collecting money. There is a locked box in the office. Once money has been counted by two people, the money is placed in the locked box until it can be deposited in the bank.

4. Principal's Report - Jeff Gervais

The School Learning plan is underway and focused on Numeracy. The recent PD day was spent focused on Mathematics vs Numeracy. They discussed how the idea of Numeracy can be supported within all subjects.

EQAO: the staff are looking for gaps and are looking to address shortcomings. Harry is working on a "Well Being" plan for the school, as it is completely related to learning. The "Zones of Regulation" program is coming. There will be a letter home to parents so that they can help enforce the learning at home.

There were 94 separate school clothing orders. There will be another order period before the end of the year.

Outdoor classroom: There will be an email coming home shortly looking for interested parents that would like to be on a planning committee.

"K-Crew": there have been 2 meetings. Jasmine Quirk is attending the council meeting as a representative from K Crew and the students of KES. They are an advisory committee, and they are currently planning spirit days and choosing themes. The next Spirit day is Nov 10th. It will be crazy hat/hair day.

IEP: they were sent home to parents on October 19. The Progress reports will go home on Nov 10.

6. Teacher's Report - Kim Esdaile

There was recently a school assembly that recognized all of the intramural and extra curricular sports and their participants. There was an introduction to the "Zones of Regulation". Kim gave the Council a slide presentation on the different zones of regulation and what the kids will be learning about. There will be a letter that goes home to parents so that parents can support the learning at home. Laura Quirk is involved in the "Spirit Committee" and is interested in improving communication. She has school photographers and journalists involved. Email Laura.quirk@ocdsb.ca if you have comments or additions.

# 5. Vice Principal's Report - Harry De Roo

There was fire drill this week. The kids did an amazing job, there were no issues, and the whole event took 10 minutes. There will be a lockdown drill coming up. There will be a Remembrance Day assembly on the 11th in the morning. Soccer is finished, the girls got a silver medal. There were 40 students that participated in the Cross Country meet on Oct 18. Congratulations to Jasmine Quirk. A grade 4 student came first out of 192 kids. Boys and girls football is finished. Forty students attended the Chess club. Intramural Bordenball and Volleyball is underway. Thanks to all of the teachers for volunteering their time, and thanks to the students for their efforts. Harry also mentioned that there are an amazing amount of parents that volunteer and support the teams.

### 7. OCASC report - Jennene Powers

We have two OCASC reps, thanks to Ian Urbach and Jennen Powers.

The **Parent Conference and School Council Training day** will happen on the same day, Nov 19 and Longfields Davidson Heights school. There will be child care available. Visit the Board website under "Parent Conference" for details.

Conference for Parents and School Councils

There are a few **committees** still looking for members: Parent Engagement Committee and the Arts Advisory Committee. Contact <u>chair@ocasc.ca</u> if you are interested. <u>Facebook page for</u> <u>OCASC</u>

There is a new "Complaint Resolution Policy" now on the board website.

**Complaint Resolution Policy** 

The policy is in place to better direct complaints and help direct the process to the correct person. The board is looking for feedback. Contact: <a href="mailto:susan.baker@ocdsb.ca">susan.baker@ocdsb.ca</a> Gifted Programming: <u>Gifted program review</u> OCASC has a sub committee and the Board has extended the consultation process. This committee is willing to accept parents who are not OCASC members. If you are interested in the details, contact <a href="mailto:chair@ocasc.ca">chair@ocasc.ca</a>

8. Treasurer's Report - Claudette Nyenhuis

There are no major changes to the financial spreadsheet since last meeting. If we want to target a closing balance of \$2000 at the end of the school year, we have approximately \$2400 to spend on wish list items. If ever there are questions regarding the Council finances, please email Claudette at <u>claudette\_nyenhuis@hotmail.com</u>

9. Wish List items - Megan Venner

The Junior and Intermediate teams were asked to have a written proposal ready for this council meeting so that we may allocate funds equitably.

JR Team: Top 3 requests

- 1. Curling Rock N'Rings experience: \$195.00 plus tax total \$220.35
- 2. Math League Test \$120.00
- 3. Maker Mobile Experience \$950.00 two day workshop

Spirit Committee: \$200.00 for decorating etc.

Intermediate Team:

- 1. Medicine Pouches \$920.00 plus tax
- 2. Hoop Dancing workshops 2 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> days \$600.00 plus tax total \$678.00
- 3. Also interested in Maker Mobile experience \$475.00 plus tax

After a discussion and review of finances, Jeff offered to have the school cover the cost of the Medicine Pouches.

There was a motion by Leah to approve the following, it was seconded by Sheila, all were in favour: Curling Rocks N'Rings \$220.35 Math League Test \$120.00 Spirit Committee \$200.00 Hoop Dancing workshops \$678.00 Maker Mobile \$1425.00

Total approved: \$2643.35 Note: The Council will consider any gym equipment related requests.

#### 10. Outreach Funds

We have a budget of \$1300.00 to give back to the community. The Council is looking for suggestions on how to direct our outreach money. CES is looking into sponsoring a sister school and is looking for KES to partner with them. Leah will liaise with CES and report back. Motion by Megan, seconded by lan, all in favour: \$200.00 to spend on Scholastic books at the book fair to give to Pyjama Patrol. Jasmine mentioned that CLIK will be looking at different causes and would like to support the efforts.

11. Bake Sale - Stephanie Naismith

Friday November 25th 2016

Last years bake sale was a huge success, with A LOT of baking. Stephanie will be asking the grade 4s and 5s to provide baking.

# 12. Garden - Who wants to be the "Champion of the Garden" ??

Megan has a list of 4 or 5 parents that are willing to help with the garden, but there is nobody who wants to head up the garden committee. There was a discussion on how to find a champion for the garden. Jeff suggested reaching out to community members. Teri to draft a letter/flyer that can be distributed. Teri to forward a request to funnel through Rod McLean and the Katimavik Hazeldean Community Association.

#### 13. Community Festival - June 14, 2017 at KES

The annual Castlefrank Katimavik Community Festival, alternates between the schools, as does the Scholastic book fair. The Scholastic book fair is at CES this year, so the Festival will be at KES this year. We will continue to alternate as we go forward.

# 13a) Movie Night - Teri and Sheila

There will be a movie night on November 11. The funds raised will go towards the grade 7 camping trip. Harry has enlisted the help of the grade 7 students, and they will select the movie after filling out a google survey. Details on the blog.

14. Adjournment 8:55pm