MINUTES for KECPS School Council Meeting May 17, 2023

Dera Oram



| Members: | Amanda Johnstone | Sarah Pyke | rah Pyke Kellie Sheldon | | Matt Sheldon | Caitlin Brady |
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| | Karen McKnight | Mara Graham | Alison Rodge | ers | Meggie Pound | Kate Alton |
| | Shontelle O'Connor | Dawn Bunting | ng Chantelle Coyle | | Robin Koshurba | (14 voters) |
| | Marguerite Masterson | Jean Ann McPh | iee Kelly | Lewis | Robin Finch | |

Wendy Thomas

Regrets: Kellie Sheldon, Kate Alton, Shontelle O'Connor, Jean Ann McPhee, Kelly Lewis, Wendy Thomas

Others Present / Guests:

6:00 pm Welcome and Land Acknowledgement – Dera Oram

Let's respectfully acknowledge that the land on which we gather is the treaty and traditional territory of the Mississauga First Nations. We are grateful for our relationship with the First Nations of this territory, for their care for and teaching about the land, the water and all of our relations. As people of the Williams Treaty, we continue our journey to strengthen our understanding of our Treaty relationship and of how to move forward together in a good way. We acknowledge the contributions and accomplishments of all Indigenous people across Turtle Island, current and throughout history.

6:05 pm Approval of May Agenda moved by Amanda, seconded by Alison

6:10 pm Approval of Minutes from April Meeting moved by Amanda, seconded by Mara

6:15 pm Admin Report – Marguerite / Melissa

Melissa Casselman

Welcome to our last meeting.

We welcome to Jessica Drummond in for Ms Erye, Ms Manning is finishing up next week.

June placement requests need to be in by the end of May.

We have 77 junior kindergarten students registered for September, and we hosted the Welcome to Kindergarten night last night. Thank you to Sarah and Amanda for attending on behalf of Council.

Gr 6 EQAO begins next week, followed by gr 3. It is now completed electronically. It takes less time, and the students have treats at the end of the day!

Track and Field happens at TAS this Friday. It's great to get back to things since Covid!

The Book Fair was a tremendous success! We made over \$11,000 and the school gets around \$6000. We will have two check out lines next time. Thanks to those who could volunteer!

Our milk program is moving along. Thanks to Ms D for leading this!

Term 2 report cards are coming due, and educators will be using the June 9 PA day for assessment.

On the PA day, we have some folks coming to paint some games for us (basketball lines, four square, hopscotch, Mirror Me, alphabet in the K yard).

The freezie sales are moving along (about \$150 so far).

Many end of year trips are coming up, so please monitor Edsby closely for information. Volunteers are essential, please let us know if you're available to attend (even if it's not your student!)

We will use June 13 &14 for bus evacuations/bus safety.

June 28 is our graduation. Details will be going out to parents. We have nearly 60 graduates.

Looking forward to next year, Nature Nancy has been booked for snowshoeing. Jimmy the Breakdancer (\$3164 this year) has been booked (maybe jr/int?). WOW Yoga (single class size for 34 classes is \$2380.00 all in, and double class size for all 34 classes - each class going twice - is \$3570.00 all in) is booked for May.

Robin K led our school to create a video in application for a grant! This is a community contest through McDougall Insurance. Voting system opens on May 24. Watch for links to vote!

6:30 pm Nutrition Program Report - Marguerite Kitbags: thanks to Meggie for checking in so much and making sure that our students are fed. Council is asked to contribute \$1,000. **Karen moves we contribute \$1000 to Kitbags, seconded by Alison, motion carried.**

Our Nutrition program staff have a great system going, and are working closely with the Health Unit to ensure guidelines are followed. Thanks to Amanda for helping to pick our orders up!

6:35 pm Teacher's Report – Dera Oram There are so many clubs going on right now, Art, Uke, ultimate frisbee, track and field etc! Gr 4-8 learned about invasive species and have gone fishing with OFAH. It's so nice to see parents back in the building! Some of our students have contributed to a book. Mr Parsons' class wrote us a lovely letter.

6:50 pm Treasurer's Report – Mara Graham Financials haven't changed much since April. There is still money coming in for Hot Lunch. The 10% from funds will not come out until the very end of June/early July. Discussion around funds to keep back vs funds to put into the Playground fund. Keep the "up to \$500 for grad balloons" in mind. Is there anything to order now for the fall? Caitlin moves to Amanda seconded \$500 for recess/DPA equipment. Caitlin moves to keep \$5000 in our general account and move everything else to playground fund. Robin K second. Discussion around ensuring the students who may not benefit from a future playground don't lose out by funneling more money into Playground. Robin K amends the motion to keep \$7500 in the general fund and move the rest to the Playground fund. Motion carried.

Any earnings from Papa's Pizzaland and the Freezie Friday will go directly into the General Fund less 10%. Motion carried.

Alison moved that all of the Lunch Box proceeds over to the playground fund at the end of June. Amanda seconded. Motion carried.

School wide pizza day is booked for June 19. Amanda and Sarah will take this on. Thanks to the volunteers who can help! Help from the Leadership students will be enlisted.

June 2 and June 16 are Freezie Fridays. Please come help at second break if you can! Thank you Amanda and Jessie for donating the freezies!

Meggie moves, Caitlin seconds, that we top up playground equipment repairs by \$370 (up to \$ 3000). Motion carried.

Drink wear fundraiser: Ms Casselman has been looking into a reusable bottle fundraiser for the playground fund through Marks Work Warehouse. Prices range from \$5.99-\$29. They can be customized. Council supports that we sell coffee mugs and water bottles in September.

7:05 pm Fundraising Committee Update see above. Sarah moves to have a Family pizza night in the fall. Meggie seconded. Motion carried.

7:15 pm Plan for council funds and Fall items- set first meeting for Sept 19. 2023 at 6pm

7:25 pm Playground Committee Update- members of the committee Slide show feedback:

First slide: primaries would love that.

Love the stumps.

Love the slides.

Not crazy about the wacky bars.

The natural structure is fine, but it needs to be more. It's too little.

Texture wall/something else that's accessible is important.

Enunciate the accessibility; review past surveys ("as per your wishes" and show examples)

7:40 pm Any other business Lunch Box: add Yoyo's? Other options?

Krispy Kreme: difficult to get in touch with them (five tries among two members)

* typically we request AOB be shared with Co-Chairs in advance in order to plan accordingly & provide sufficient time on the Agenda)

8:00 pm Adjourn 7:44pm

Dates for future meetings: Sept. 2023 Tues Sept 19

NORMS for Virtual Meetings on Jan. 18 and Feb. 15

- Be on time & connected to web-ex
- Mute mic and keep video turned on
- On- task yet acknowledging that we are at home and family comes first
- Use the chat box or raise your hand to comment accordingly
- Co-Chair who is not leading the meeting to monitor the chat box
- Use a thumbs up to agree or thumbs down to disagree
- Be an engaged listener
- Be an engaged participant during group discussions/welcoming all voices to be heard
- Other?