Minutes for KECPS School Council Meeting October 19th, 2022



Members:	Amanda Johnstone	Sarah Pyke	Kellie Sheldon	Matt Sheldon	Caitlin Brady
	Karen McKnight	Mara Graham	Alison Rodgers	Meggie Pound	Kate Alton
	Shontelle O'Connor	Dawn Bunting	Chantelle Coyle	Robin Koshurba	(14 voters)

Marguerite Masterson Jean Ann McPhee Kelly Lewis Robin Finch

Melissa Casselman Dera Oram Wendy Thomas

Present: Amanda Johnstone, Sarah Pyke, Kellie Sheldon, Matt Sheldon, Caitlin Brady, Karen McKnight, Mara Graham, Meggie Pound, Shontelle O'Connor, Dawn Bunting, Chantelle Coyle, Robin Koshurba, Marguerite Masterson, Jean Ann McPhee, Kelly Lewis, Robin Finch, Melissa Casselman

Regrets: Alison Rodgers, Kate Alton, Dera Oram, Wendy Thomas

Others Present / Guests: Tara Joyce, Shehreen Latif

6:00 pm Welcome and Land Acknowledgement – Amanda / Sarah

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 October Agenda(times need to be altered so that we have a 6pm start time) approved by Kellie, seconded by Matt

6:10 pm Approval of Minutes from September Meeting after the correction that Community Officer Dan Mundell was not actually in attendance at the September fire drill approved by Kellie, seconded by Shontelle

6:15 pm Admin Report – Marguerite / Melissa Please let MM know if you have not received the group emails going around. Thank you for the quick responses for the evote. Safety items: supervision starts at 8:55am. Many students and staff have been off sick and ill. Please do the daily COVID screen. School Messenger is for attendance/Safe Arrival. Let the office know of any end of day changes. We have close to 800 students. Help us keep them safe at dismissal. Health and Safety; menstrual products are now available in the gender neutral washrooms on Earth and Tree levels thanks to Mr Garbutt!

We need to complete our fundraising plan. It is due by the end of October.

School Lunch Box needs to be voted on tonight.

Shonetlle has attended the Regional meeting, thank you for attending on our behalf!

Spirit Days and Halloweeen: free choice Monday/wear what you want! costumes, pjs, be comfortable!! Effort is being made to be inclusive, intentional and easy.

What's Happening? Junior Rugby tournament today! They had a blast! Well-run! Intermediates go tomorrow. Art Club and Ukulele and Minecraft clubs continue. Kaawaate Fridays continue. Spirit Wear is backordered and will be here within 2 weeks or so.

IEPs went home Monday. Progress Reports go home Nov 18.

Lots of staff will be in purple on the 27th raising awareness for the role staff and CAS play in the safety and well-being of our children.

Photo retakes happen on Nov 18.

New battery recycling program: teacher-led. Watch for more information in the Peek!

6:30 pm Nutrition Program Report - Marguerite: going well! Doing well financially. We apply for grants. Bins are put together by staff. Certain students help w delivery of the bins. Amber Stark and various other support staff help to keep this organized.

6:35 pm Teacher's Report – Jean Ann McPhee Snowshoeing: reached out to Nature Nancy. She is able to take each class for a snowshoeing experience for \$4350.50 including HST. Sarah motioned we cover the cost of Nature Nancy for snowshoeing. Seconded by Caitlin. Motion carried.

6:45 pm Treasurer's Report – Mara Graham The playground expense of \$370 came out.

We are sitting at \$23, 884.47, minus the Fresh from the Farm expense.

Goals and Objectives for 2022/2023 School Year – Marguerite & Melissa / Amanda / Sarah Discussion around what we spend our fundraising money on: Playground, Nature Nancy, Jimmy the Breakdancer. For playground: should we set an amount from each fundraiser? Kellie suggested that at the last meeting of the year, we discuss topping up funds if there are extra. We have \$10,000 sitting in the Playground Fund. Consider adding line to School Cash Online to top-up/donate? There is \$3700 sitting in a charitable account at the board office from when we combined KG and AH. Kellie made the motion that 10% from every upcoming fundraiser be placed in the new playground fund. Mara seconded. Motion carried.

Sarah made the motion to have 2 pizza parties (before winter break, before summer). Seconded by Shontelle. Motion carried. Amanda and Sarah will take care of organizing this.

Lunch Box Program: Amanda made the motion that we move forward with Lunch Box. Seconded by Sarah. Motion carried. MM will have that set up for next week.

7:05 pm Fundraising Committee Suggestions for 2022/2023 School Year – Sarah & Amanda The committee met last week to discuss different ideas. The main objective is to focus on community events, of which there will be two main events: in Dec, and Spring. On Oct 12, we e-voted on hosting a Papa's Pizzaland night this coming Friday.

The Fundraising committee recommend a holiday market/winter event in gym/learning Commons. Cookie decorating, bake sale, pizza preorder, craft sales, face painting. No silent auction: a makers market instead. We make money off vendor buying their table (vendor buys own insurance), and they commit something to a raffle basket. Raffle: need a license from the city. Smaller scale (mostly gym and learning commons, not something in each classroom. Vendors can be set up through School Cash Online. We could ask Leadership students to help with setting up. The committee is not recommending selling trees and wreaths. Poinsettias usually do well. We would need someone to receive them and be here to hand them out. Poinsettias would arrive in November. Amanda, Dawn, Shontelle have offered to do poinsettias. **Amanda made the motion that we do the poinsettia fundraiser. Mara seconded. Motion carried**.

Fundraising Suggestion: Candles from a maker in Gananoque: there is a 2 week turnaround. Candles are \$24 each, school keeps half. We would need to send flyers and order forms home, there are six scents to choose from. Chantelle offered to supply bags and flyer costs. To respect our Scent Policy, pick up will be outside. Offer candle and ornament fundraisers together? Under one Sun made around \$1000 last year. **Chantelle made the motion to sell ornaments and candles together. Meggie seconded. Motion carried.** Flyer would need to go out for Nov 1 advertising ornaments, candles, Festive Fair. Orders will be available on School Cash Online.

Little Caesars Pizza Kit new year delivery date will be March 7 or 8/23.

Winter Fair: Chantelle Coyle will oversee the Fair subcommittee. **She motioned that we go ahead with the Winter Fair on Dec 1. Seconded by Caitlin. Motion carried.** Thurs Dec 1. 6pm-9pm? Robin F offered that most After Care children are gone by 5:30pm or so this year. They can be as flexible as possible. It was suggested we ask for food or toy donation instead of admission. Caitlin will check into a raffle license with city. Bake sale is allowed. Those wanting to be part of Festive Fair: Caitlin, Dawn, Kellie, Meggie, Sarah, Robin K

Do we have a Playground sponsor letter? Decisions need to be made about what it looks like. MM will investigate more.

Upcoming in the Spring: we have another Little Caesars Pizza Kit, and we could add family pizza night, donuts, community event.

7:50 pm Any other business: Hot Lunch Program, Update from Regional Council, Parent Reaching Out Grant

Shontelle went to Regional, and lefter her report with MM. The overall focus will be around mental health, hospice, equality, every child matters. They know bussing is an issue. New feature on Board Website to report big issues. Let shontelle know if you have anything to be discussed at next regional.

PRO grant: no info out yet. Last year we hosted a virtual night with a psychologist.

8:00 pm Adjourn 7:41pm

Dates for future meetings: Nov. 16 Jan. 18 Feb. 15 April 19 May 17

Regional Council Meetings: October 18, December 6, January 31, and April 11.

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?