

Minutes: KECPS School Council Meeting February 20



Members (Voting): Heather Adley, Clara Blacklock, Caitlin Brady, Erin Burrell, Jessica Copeland, Chantel Coyle, Camilla Elston, Mara Graham, Danielle Howson, Amanda Johnstone, Robin Koshurba, Shehreen

Latif, Katelyn Lubbock, Karen McKnight, Reanna Montopoli, Amanda Nyboer, Elizabeth Palermo, Evan Phillips, Sarah Pyke, Connor Reinhart, Grace Reinhart, Kellie Sheldon, Emiline Wilson, Jessica Yates.

Members (Non-Voting): Inas Alsamour, Jessica Darrington, Beth Elston, Robin Finch, Eric Howson, Kelly Lewis, Dawn Bunting, Mike Williams

6:00 pm Welcome

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

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 November Agenda

Reanna moved for approval Amanda J seconded

6:10 pm Approval of Minutes from October Meeting

Name adjustment Dawn Spinney name changed to Dawn Bunting. Grace motion for approval, Amanda J seconded.

6:15 pm Administration Report – Marguerite & Melissa

The French immersion program introduction to Adam Scott has begun and the administration there are eager to help in this regard. There is a Canadian newcomers experiences of integrating into the school is being introduced. The newcomer families will receive a survey about their integration.

Students will be going to Toronto for a trip.

An art show will take place on May 1st with proceeds towards the playground committee.

Upcoming awareness days, Epilepsy, Autism and pink shirt day. Education components will be largely student led by students with lived experience.

6:30 pm Nutrition Program Report – Marguerite

Nutrition program is going well, funding and financing is not an issue this year.

The milk program runs as well as the hot lunch program

6:35 pm Teacher's Report- Jessica Darrington

Teachers have been very busy with clubs going on, crochet club, public speaking club, eukalele, dungeons and dragons clubs. Clubs are all teacher led by teachers willing to give up their time to facilitate interest groups to students. Kaawaate's teachers are being very supportive in this support.

Carnival went very well, it allowed for older students to lead and facilitate stations and allowed them to support younger children in participation.

Staff and student polls about Nature Nancy and Jimmy the Breakdancer to evaluate interest and relevance within the school population.

6:40 pm Treasurer's Report

Treasurer position is still open for the remainder of the year, Amanda stepped in for this meeting and volunteers are welcome to fill this position. There is an additional \$600.00 approximately being added from the hot lunch program that is not reflected in the current budget report.

General school council account is at &6,000.00 with approximately \$10,000.00 in other accounts that is accessible.

Motion to declare an amount to go towards grade eight graduation. &500.00 was proposed towards grad to be used at the committee's discretion.

\$250.00 was approved for grade 6 graduation ceremony

Motion to contribute up to \$2,800.00 towards art committee program to go toward the art gallery fundraiser. Up to \$100 per class for multimedia art supplies. The motion was approved by Karen and Seconded by Grace and the motion was passed.

Request for some money towards weekend food bags.

6:50 pm Playground fundraiser- Committee

Robin shared the Playground Committee information package describing the need and incentives for large donations from businesses. Looking for volunteers to reach out to businesses for interest as well as reaching out to local media to encourage donations. A video needs to be created for McDougall insurance donation, this would hopefully be created by students.

7:00 pm Regional Council Update - Caitlin and Robin

No additional information was provided on HST rebates

There was a presentation on the nutrition program, describing where the funding comes from, each school runs their own program so they each are individualized.

French Immersion program is being extended across the board and is being added in Campbellford and Northumberland.

The board has hired Mental Health Clinicians running groups for upper year students. Kaawaate has been asked to be a pilot school for one of the programs. 36 students. and basically the only solution is larger class sizes for next year. i think maybe we all knew that, but it was actually said.

7:15 pm Future fundraisers

Review of past fundraisers and future ideas for 2023/24 school year.

No firm ideas for spring event for 2024. mentioned pizza kits and freezie sales as potential ideas.

pizza nights showed dwingling interest when done to frequently. Discussed thursday March 7th as a potential date. suggested May/June may perform better for sports families.

Suggested April 5th ahead of PA day may be a good option as well as June 6th for the same reason.

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concluded that June 6th would be the first choice so as to not run the fundraiser immediately after easter

Considered a fundraiser specifically for the playground should be put off until the spring to not inundate the families with too many fundraisers to quickly.

The East City Yard sale was discussed to potentially rent out the parking lot for a "boot sale" for this date. Grace will reach out to the facilitator about if the school could participate and when we would need to know by to be included on the map. Potential for a 50/50 fundraiser or a lemonade or bake sale as additional fundraiser options at the yard sale. Chantal and Erin will look into facilitating and organizing this.

7:30 pm Adjourn

Next School Council Meetings: April 23 and May 21

Regional Council Meetings: April 16

23/24 School Council Members:

Last Name	First Name	Voting Memeber
Adey	Heather	y
Alsamour	Inas	
Blakelock	Clara	y
Brady	Caitlin	y
Burrell	Erin	y
Copeland	Jessica	y
Coyle	Chantel	y
Darrington	Jessica	
Elston	Camilla	y
Elston	Beth	
Finch	Robin	
Graham	Mara	y
Howson	Danielle	y
Howson	Eric	
Johnstone	Amanda	y
Koshurba	Robin	y
Latif	Shehreen	y
Lewis	Kelly	
Lubbock	Katelyn	y
McKnight	Karen	y
Montopoli	Reanna	y
Nyboer	Amanda	y
Palermo	Elizabeth	y
Phillips	Evan	y
Pyke	Sarah	y
Reinhart	Connor	y
Reinhart	Grace	y

Sheldon	Kellie	y
Bunting	Dawn	
Williams	Mike	
Willson	Emiline	y
Yates	Jessica	y