

**Woodroffe Ave Public School**  
**School Council Meeting Minutes**  
**October 8, 2019. 6:30-8:00 p.m.**

22 parents present, 1 administrator (Pascale), 2 teachers (Anthony, Leslie) = 25

**1. Welcome and Introductions**

Round table of introductions by all present

**Committee Reports**

- 1.1 OCASC – Maggie Green: provided update that a school council can raise funds for another school and provide funds or activity/items to another school.
- 1.2 Safe Travel Planning – Tricia Ross: discussed feasibility of seeking additional stanchions high traffic or necessary areas. Reports of traffic challenges need to be reported to 311 the local Bay Ward Counsellor, Theresa Kavanagh. Vehicles should not be stopping at the back of the school (on Lockhart) to drop off as it is a no parking/stopping zone. A request was made for the school to send a reminder to parents and students that everyone under the age of 18 is required by law to wear a helmet.
- 1.3 Multicultural and Arts – **volunteer needed** who would be responsible for finding and booking programming for grade 3 and under population. In the interim Sarah Futterer has agreed to coordinate Yaki (kinder musician) and Chinese Dragon (grade 1) programs.
- 1.4 Healthy Active Kids – Julie Findlay: a request is being put forth for tchoukball, size 5 soccer balls.
- 1.5 Student Well Being – **volunteer needed**; Tricia Ross has volunteered to be a back up.
- 1.6 Garden Committee – Carley Schelck: absent, no report sent.
- 1.7 Outreach Committee – (outreach would be targeted to benefit other schools) Kirstin Graystone, Dayle Kline, and Melanie Rushworth volunteered to form the outreach committee and will explore how we begin outreach planning to another school. The budget passed allocating ten percent of all funds raised this school year in support of outreach activities.
- 1.8 Fundraising Coordinator – Daniela Humeniuk: estimate of \$20,000 needs to be fundraised to support the proposed programming.
- 1.9 Communications Coordinator – Jen St-Pierre: our School Council page has not been rerouted to be accessible through the WAPS homepage.

**2. Upcoming Fundraising Events**

- 2.1 Movie Nights – **volunteer needed** to work with Cindy Rutley. Next movie night is Friday, October 25 and we are showing the live action film, Aladdin. Tickets are \$5/person and include Carlingwood KERNELS popcorn. Approximately 110 people attended the September movie night, fairly steady participation and numbers. Discussed some ideas to encourage the older students to attend, such as alternating live action with animated movies. Also discussed using a Facebook or Survey Monkey poll to get some direct feedback from students. Mme. Desrosiers

has also gotten involved in movie nights in an environmental way – she will provide composting and recycling at movie nights and her goal is to work towards zero waste.

- 2.2 Plant Nite – Sarah Futterer: Thursday, November 21 at The Clocktower on Richmond Road, \$60/ticket, 7-9pm. In order for the even to run, we need to sell at least 25 tickets by November 7. WAPS School Council earns \$15 from each ticket.
- 2.3 Craft Sale – Tricia Ross and Stephanie Duffy: Saturday, November 30; school council usually runs the bake sale/food booth at this event and last year we pulled in approximately \$1,000.  
**Additional volunteer bakers and onsite volunteers needed** from 9am-2pm
- 2.4 Book Sale – Sarah Berglas and Cindy Rutley: February 26-29, 2020. Closer to the date, Sarah and Cindy will put out a call for **volunteers** to help sort books and also to help with the bake sale/coffee on the Saturday. WAPS has some limited storage space for advance book donations.
- 2.5 Cake Walk – Lisa Vandermeer: Thursday, March 12, 2020. Just before the start of March Break.
- 2.6 Plant Sale – Daniela Humeniuk: Saturday, May 23, 2020 from 8am-3pm
- 2.7 Spring Fling – Jen Roger and Katie Alexander: Thursday, June 4, 2020.
- 2.8 Other event reminders:

Grandparents Reading Day – November 29.

Soccer Club – form sent, for students from grades 1-8, 30 kids max, \$30 for the season, runs Tuesdays 6:30-8pm.

Ski Club – at Vorlage (Wakefield, Qc.) on Fridays. This year Vorlage has taken over the program and are responsible for tickets so there will be no surplus. New model limits the ability to subsidize the program as we have done in the past; we have enough in the budget to subsidize for another year for sure, and maybe up to 3 years. It's a very popular program with 97 students attending last year along, and an average over the years of 66 participants a year. We generally subsidize ~5 students a year. Discussion from Daryl Stall also about council having a subsidy pot. We tabled further discussion to the November meeting on how to continue fundraising. Program will proceed this year.

3. **Proposed Budget** – see attachments in hyperlinks to the [Proposed Budget 2019-2020](#) as presented by Steph Duffey (Treasurer) and Melanie Rushworth (Chair), and explanatory note on [What Is It For?](#)

Tricia Ross moved to accept the proposed budget for the 2019-2020 year. Seconded by Jen St. Pierre.

Approved unanimously.

4. **Administrator Update** – Pascale Evans-Paulen, VP
  - 4.1 We Scare Hunger - Starts October 15
  - 4.2 Escape rooms - we are going to be running a few age and grade appropriate rooms this year but we will be postponing until November 21 and will keep you posted.
  - 4.3 Hot Dog Days are coming in November and December and will be done by the school band as a fundraiser.
  - 4.4 Website - We have updated all the staff information on the website but it is still a work in progress. We are working hard to keep the calendar up to date
  - 4.5 Tomorrow (October 9) M. Pelletier's class is doing an archeological dig, many teachers are actively looking for ways to get our students outside and participating in hands on learning

- 4.6 A WAPS family is in need and living at the Women's shelter. Donations of diapers are welcomed.
- 4.7 Today our students participated in the board Cross Country meet. Our students represented the school well and a big thanks to Doug Hume, Serge Pelletier and Luc Charbonneau
- 4.8 PD day on Friday, October 11 and there is no school on Monday (Thanksgiving). There is no EDP Friday, October 11 or Monday, October 14.
- 4.9 Student Ambassadors - Applications have closed and students will be having interviews with Mme Pascale. We want kids to experience the process of a job application and learn from the experience. We have been overwhelmed with applications and we will be selecting 20 students from this list.
- 4.10 Fall weather; labelling clothes - we will be sending out regular reminders about labelling clothes as our lost and found is already full and we want to do all we can to ensure that things are getting home to you again – Pascale to look into whether we are still affiliated with Mabels Labels
- 4.11 Christmas Craft Show - Jennifer and Pascale are working hard to plan our 3rd annual Christmas Craft Sale. School council will be doing the canteen again. We have 50 crafters signed up so far and hope to fill the second gym too. We are hoping that parents will also help with the promotion of this event.
- 5. **Next Meeting:** Melanie (Chair) proposed to have our November meeting as a morning meeting in case that time worked better for some parents' schedules who were unable to attend evening and/or Tuesday meetings. We voted (11 for, 3 abstentions) to have our next meeting on **Tuesday, November 12 at 7:15 am** – coffee will be provided. (Update: Principal Megan has agreed that breakfast will be provided for any children in attendance)

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