

Minutes

Participants

Parents: 11

School admin: Megan and Pascale

Motion to start the meeting: Tricia Ross

Seconded: Steph Duffey

Overview of Budget items for this year (see budget report)

- \$250 Staff appreciation: brainstorm creative ways to use this that fit within the COVID restrictions (gift cards, individually packaged), delay to spring meeting
- \$500 Emotional wellbeing: see Workshop below

Staff Grant Program

- \$2000, hoping to offer it this month
- Don't want a traditional application, but a more flexible open way for staff to request funds for items that may be needed especially for this year.

Outreach

- \$534.54 from 2019-2020 delivered to Pinecrest in fall 2020
- \$1000 to Pinecrest (cheque delivered this week).
- Pinecrest Principal making a wishlist for next year so we can continue to support our community
- Suggestions like winter clothing drive would be welcome once COVID restrictions are over.

Resilience Workshop

- **Adrienne Matheson (psychologist)** to give a virtual parent workshop on resilience and growth mindset
- Tentative date of March 3rd

Bridges over Barriers

- Program supported by the Education Foundation, which Woodroffe will support through Toonie Tuesday (Feb 23).
- Partners with Britannia Woods Community Association
- WAPS social worker is on the board of Bridges over Barriers

Committee reports

- Communications update: keep FB page until the end of the school year and then archive. Start a new page that is WAPS parents specific.

Updated from Principal and VP

- Trivia nights have been really fun and successful
- Wear red on Thurs Feb 10th in celebration of Valentine's Day
- Spirit week March 15-19 (previously March Break)
- Report cards posted Thurs Feb 18th
- Teacher wellness is very important and the past 6 months have been incredibly difficult and stressful. January online learning had many challenges for staff and so the focus for Feb and March is to ensure that all staff are well cared for. Student anxiety is also increasing since coming back to school. Staff are being mindful of student workload, checking with students and families regularly, to ensure that students and families are supported.
- Planning for next year has begun - Kindergarten registration numbers were submitted to the board last Friday, Grade 1-8 registration numbers submitted next Friday. Staff assignments are usually completed in March. Expecting consistent numbers for Woodroffe next year (650 in a normal year, 500 during COVID)
- OCDSB will likely offer the option to continue with online learning in 2021-22
- Grade 7 Info Night happened for new families (including returning Severn families) that will be joining Woodroffe next year for Grade 7. Slide deck will be posted on the Woodroffe website.
- Grade 8 graduation is almost certainly virtual and can include the Grade 8 OCV students.
- Indoor shoes cannot be stored at school as the custodial staff needs to clean the entire classroom and student bins are full of work and supplies. Council looking into drawstring bags for hanging shoes from hooks.

Motion to close the meeting: Tricia Ross

Seconded: Lisa Vandermeer

Next meeting

March 3, 2021 - Parent workshop

March 9th, 2021 at 630pm

Discussion about a virtual parent coffee social