

École Sir William Osler

Parent Council Meeting Minutes

Date / Time : May 17, 2022, 6pm

Meeting Location: Virtual Meeting

Meeting Chair: Caitlin Buchel/Alisha Bradbury

Minutes Taken By: Rebecca Simpson-Litke

(13 participants)

Chair Greeting (Caitlin)

- No recording tonight
- Last meeting's minutes approved (moved by Lauren, seconded by Amy, approved unanimously)

Treasurer Report (Amy)

- PAC account is \$1704.27
- Lunch account is \$24,594.67

Lunch Program E-registration Update (Amy/Mme Ostermann)

- Other schools have E-transfer option through PAC Lunch account – Amy will ask the credit union if this is an option – keep in mind that some people also pay lunch fees in February, so this may complicate the electronic option
- Caitlin will look into options that would allow parents to use credit cards for payment
- If the paper registration could be electronic/emailed, that would be helpful, even if payments were not
- Lunch program forms will now be handed out in September instead of June
- Motion that the lunch program administrator's children's lunch program fees will be waived (moved by Caitlin, seconded by Alisha, approved unanimously)

Principal's Report (Mme Ostermann)

- **General Items** – 9 fire drills done – 1 fire left, 1 lockdown, hold and secure will be done during the day, 1 evacuation (will check with Brock Corydon to see if they can host us)
- **N/K Registration** – still trickling in, but need more – please advertise
- **COVID** – Parent drop off and pick up will still be outside the building, but parents are now allowed in building for occasional things
 - There was an increase of cases the week of May 2 – Mme Ostermann was in contact with administration and public health, but our numbers were still within guidelines – we're now back to normal
- **Construction** – getting ready to pour concrete and landscaping in the front – still some painting to wrap up inside – laying out foundations for a portable classroom for occupancy in August – will be used by daycare next year, and will need another classroom in future years

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- **Enrolment/Staffing** – N increase by 1, similar numbers for other classes from last report
 - **M Saiko** – N/K
 - **Mme Reid** – Grade 1
 - **M Rozière** – Grade 2
 - **Mme Allegro** – Grade 2-3
 - **Mme Ferrage** – Grade 3-4
 - **Mme Anelise** – Grade 4-5
 - **Mme Toews** – Grade 5-6
 - **Mme Heinrichs** – ½ time music
 - **Mme VanLeishout** – ½ time phys ed
 - **Mme Sara** – full time inclusive education resource/guidance counsellor
 - **Mme Dana** – ½ time literacy support
- Reverend Tanis helped to coordinate the activity bags for the displaced Peguis First Nations Families and sent a letter expressing thanks for the support – will be read to the kids during announcements

Teacher Representative (Mme Sara)

- Thank you to parent council and families for the staff treats!
- During June, our school will experience Indigenous ways of knowing as we come up to National Indigenous Peoples Day — parents are encouraged to volunteer throughout the month — contact Mme Sara (sthamb@wsd1.org) or Mme Allegro (kallegr@wsd1.org) if you want to contribute

Fun Lunch for June (Mme Ostermann/Denessa)

- Next Fun Lunch is June 16
- Denessa is checking with Boston Pizza Charleswood

Neighbourhood Clean Up Update (Lauren)

- Thanks to those who came out on Saturday, May 14 for our clean up (30-50 people came out)
- We now have some supplies – received a Per Capita Grant from the City of Winnipeg to cover these clean-up supplies

Playground Committee Report (Meghan/Lauren)

- **Plywood Art Project** – supplies have been picked up, drawings collected from students
 - Alison needs 1-2 volunteers on May 28 to cut out with jigsaw and prime wood – Dave Campbell can help
 - Help with painting final details will be June 4 or 5
 - Exterior paint donation will start to be collected next week
- **Buddy Benches** – Alisha reminded us that the coloured benches in the playground were originally called Buddy Benches where kids can go to sit if they need someone to play

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with – would like to renew that practice and make kids and parents aware of it – will send out an email to parents and teachers so they're aware that we can pick that up again, now that Covid restrictions are not as strict

- **Playground Phase 1** – Waiting on sod to cover the berms in the southmost part of the field and will do the final cleanup of the outdoor classroom – already well used by kids and staff
 - Mme Sara has been working with one of our school division Inclusion Support Teachers to support Indigenous education – she will come in June to work with the teachers – smudging ceremony in the outdoor classroom, have conversations about connections to the land, land acknowledgment – looking forward to learning more and viewing the use of this outdoor classroom space through this lens
- **Farm to Veggie Fundraiser** – do again in the fall – will request a morning drop off and give families a deadline two days before the order is due
- **Grants** – Avery says there has been an increase in the funding for building sustainable communities grants and many recent recipients have been for playgrounds – if we want to put in a fall application, then we should work on it over the summer

Terracycle Update (Mme Ostermann/Caitlin)

- Thank you to Mme Ostermann for getting boxes in classrooms to collect writing utensils for recycling
- Caitlin will take them to Staples when ready

Teacher Appreciation Update (Caitlin)

- Still need to fill some treats for remaining weeks – will resend the signup sheet

Glenlea Fundraiser Final Update (Denessa)

- Mistake-free year! – finished sorting early and everyone picked up their orders
- Total profit is \$1582.13 – cheque will be sent to the school
- We'll sign up again for next year

NEW BUSINESS

School Community Picnic for June (Caitlin)

- Have an evening for bring your own picnic, lawnchairs, etc.
- Have a few games, bubbles, sidewalk chalk, freezies, etc. for kids – motion to use PAC funds (up to \$400) for supplies (moved by Avery, seconded by Caitlin, approved unanimously)
- Last day of school is June 30 (avoid Grade 6 Farewell looking at June 23)
- Will take place on Tuesday, June 14, 5-7pm
- If anyone is interested in buying supplies, email Parent Council

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Theme Day Ideas (Lauren)

- Do an animal print or picture theme day at school? – add to June spirit week
- Dress like favourite book character for World Book Day?

PAC Executive Elections for 2022-2023

- Thanks to Alisha for her service to the PAC over the last years – we'll miss you!
- **Chair** – Caitlin Buchel
- **Vice Chair** – Avery Jodoin
- **Treasurer** – Amy Campbell
- **Secretary** – Rebecca Simpson-Litke

Meeting Adjourned (Caitlin) 7:14pm

- next meeting is September 20