John Young School Council Meeting - January 27, 2021 at 6:30pm

Google Meet: https://meet.google.com/ocf-pvvq-meq

Attendees: Jaime Routliffe (Vice-Chair), Roxanne Driscoll (Vice-Chair), Marit Lely (Treasurer), Paula Chang (Secretary), Kevin McHale (OCASC Rep), Dwayne Routliffe (OCASC Rep), Laura Dubois (Community Rep), Rob James (Principal), Mark Heckman (Vice-Principal), Vanya Meh (Kinder Rep), Jennifer Wilson (Kinder Rep), Melissa Davis (Primary Rep), Sarah Wilson (Junior Rep), Sebastian Towler

Absent: Arron Driscoll (OCASC Rep)

- 1. Welcome and Approval of the Agenda (Jaime)
 - a. Approved
- 2. Review of Minutes November 25, 2020 (Jaime)
 - a. Approved minutes can be found on the School Council tab on the JYES website
 - b. Minutes November 25, 2020 Google Docs
- 3. Treasurer Report (Marit)
 - John Young Holiday Tea (Virtual Auction, Vendors, Poinsettia sale) As of today, we grossed \$904.00. In addition to the tea, auction and poinsettias, there were a couple of members of the community who gave us a donation. Mattamy gifted us with a very generous donation of \$500.
 - JYES Clothing sale as of today, we have grossed \$2,821.00
 - We sent out a mass email Sunday night to all 117 parents who still have a Hot Lunches credit balance on account. To date I have received 75 replies. Most of those replies are requests for refund, but there are also some requests that we donate their balance to the council. I can provide you with Hot Lunch credit balance donations at our next meeting.
 - We have written cheques to pay for the Christmas holiday gift cards,
 Hotlunches refunds and new cheques.
 - The bank balance as of January 27 is \$21,436.05
 - We have funds available of \$13,100.50
 - Scholastic credits currently at \$1762.87.
- 4. OCASC Report (Dwayne/Kevin/Arron)
 - a. The minutes from their meetings are posted on the OCASC website every month.
 - b. There continues to be lots of discussion surrounding internal affairs, unrelated to School Councils.
 - c. Scientists in Schools: virtual stem classes set up 4 wks, for individuals, 1 hr per wk, products for classes included in cost, \$125 for registration.
 - d. Fundraising: lots of discussion surrounding this topic, no direction finalized
- 5. Principal's Report (Rob)
 - a. Waiting to hear when kids will be back no word yet.
 - b. Admin has been dropping into teacher classrooms (google meets) during online learning. Students get distracted when they arrive but it has been fun for admin to stay connected. Mr. James and Mr. Heckman have been highly impressed by the lesson delivery they are witnessing by the amazing teachers at JYES. Remarkable job!

- c. September planning has begun. Kindergarten registration has begun and February 3rd will be the Welcome to Kindergarten at OCDSB virtual information session. Later in the spring, there will be a second information night with more specific details related to JYES. The January info night will be a YouTube live stream.
- d. Few changes when students return to in person learning: 1) mask wearing for grades 1-3 mandatory as well 2) masks will be required to be worn outside by all students, and 3) masks will be mandatory on school buses.
- e. Goggles for staff: if a teacher teaches more than one class the most recent direction is that they should be wearing a mask and face shield for maximum protection. Poses challenges They are hard to speak with and uncomfortable to wear for long periods of time. The decision was made by the board to purchase and provide goggles as an alternative for each staff member.
- f. Report cards: Term 1 reports will be available on the portal on February 11.
- g. Toonie Tuesday coming up in Feb. Donations will be an ongoing piece this year through School Cash Online on the school website. Huge fundraiser for Education Foundation. Supports students/families in need.
- h. Budget report: will be presented next meeting.
- i. School Council \$ used for things for this year that can be used moving forward as well (e.g. snow shoes). Money remaining from this year will be carried over towards purchases for next school year with recognition that OCV families have contributed to these efforts in the past.
- 6. Teacher Reports (combined: Mellissa Davis on behalf of all panels)
 - a. Everyone has been focused on moving online and supporting students/families.
 - b. JeLis JeLis has been great, especially while at home. Big thank you to School Council for this.
 - c. Outdoor equipment ordered before break: shovels, buckets, hoops, cones; items trickling in slowly (some back ordered).
 - d. Thank you to council for purchasing yearbooks for all grade 6 students.
 - e. Grade 6 grad question (Paula): Any planning yet? Answer (Sarah Wilson) Haven't thought about it yet, hard to plan in advance, virtual likely.
- 7. Upcoming Events/Call for Volunteers (Jaime)
 - a. Scholastic Book Fair
 - i. Virtual Event: JYES Virtual Bookfair
 - ii. February 5th to 14th, 2021
 - iii. Order online and ship directly to homes, free shipping over \$35
 - b. Little Caeser's Fundraiser
 - i. Online Orders
 - ii. Orders due by Monday, February 22nd, 2021 and the pick up date will be Tuesday, March 9th, 2021.
 - iii. It will be a curbside pick up at the school.
 - c. March Break Scavenger Hunt
 - i. The School Council is going to create a Scavenger Hunt for families to do over the March Break. Families will be able to submit photos of their activities through a Google Form and will receive a draw ballot for each activity they complete.
 - ii. There will be a draw for ten \$25 Gift Cards.

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8. Other Business (Jaime)

- a. Yearbook Update
 - i. The \$2000 for the Grade 6 students will be used to purchase each Grade 6 student a yearbook. OCV JYES kids will be included in this as well.
 - ii. Yearbook PreSale will be February 1st to 19th and then the Final Sale will be in April.
 - iii. Staff are asked to please upload photos into the classroom folders on the shared drive before March Break.
 - iv. Each class has two pages of more generic/collage pics instead of individual pics as no school photos were taken. Goal is each kid is somewhere on their class page. Plan is to ask teachers to review before going to print.
- b. Clothing Update
 - i. Orders should be in and delivered to the school for when the students return.
- c. Outdoor Classroom Update: Meeting with Carp River tomorrow (Rob). No news from the board's end (emails have been sent, but no follow up received).
- d. Kindergarten Question/Plan (Jen Wilson): Kinder team wants to purchase picnic tables for their yard (for permanent fixture). Asked for advice, contacts. Will need approval from the facilities department at board for tender or may be asked to be removed.
- 9. Adjournment Time: 7:15 pm

Next Meeting: Wednesday, February 24th, 2021 at 6:30 p.m.