

John Young School Council Meeting - February 28, 2024

6:30 p.m. - JYES Library

Attendees:

Council Members: Jaime Routliffe (Co-Vice-Chair), Roxanne Driscoll (Co-Vice-Chair), Sebastian Towler (Treasurer), Robyn Hastie (Co-Secretary), Paula Chang (Co-Secretary), Elisia McKenna (Fundraising), Marit Lely (Member at Large), Dwayne Routliffe (Member at Large), Kevin McHale (Member at Large), Rob James (Principal), Kristine Storah (Vice Principal), Jessica Kight (Kinder Rep), Sumona Di Tota (Primary Rep), Melissa Seth (Junior Rep)

Parents/Guardians: Jessica Foster, Holly Hawkins, Rebecca Hellyer, Courtney McLellan, Lisa Bergen, Jen Bowler, Ahmad Shirzad, Rizwana Shirzad

Absent Council Members: Arron Driscoll (OCASC Rep),

1. Welcome and Approval of the Agenda (Jaime)
 - a. Approved
2. Review of Minutes - November 29, 2023 (Jaime)
 - a. Approved - minutes can be found on the School Council tab on the JYES website
3. Treasurer Report (Sebastian)
 - a. Fundraisers since the last meeting:
 - i. We received a fundraising cheque from Purdy's for \$754.21
 - ii. The February book fair resulted in Scholastic Credits for the school of: 1600.58. Current balance of \$2772.15.
 - iii. The January movie night = 334
 - iv. Mabel's labels cheque in January for \$53.80
 - v. 106 Cobs Bread, Loaf of the Month Cards were sold: Net funds received is \$1325
 - b. The bank balance at 27 February is \$32 985.69
 - c. There are outstanding written cheques to pay for Subway, Domino's, Movie night supplies, and January Milk.
 - d. **We have funds available of \$7 720.35**
4. OCASC Report (Jaime)
 - a. The minutes from OCASC meetings can be found on the OCASC website.
5. Principal's Report (Rob)
 - a. Gift cards from funds raised at Holiday Gift Shop. Very much appreciated, helped a number of families.
 - b. Cupcakes for Heart and Stroke is tomorrow. Monetary donations for a yummy cupcake. Proceeds going to Heart and Stroke Foundation.
 - c. Walk to school day: 25% by car, 39% by bus, 38% walked.
 - d. Kiss and ride continues to be a busy spot, student safety continues to be the focus of this area.
 - e. Superintendency of Kanata schools approached JYES to be part of an exchange program with students from China. Excited to welcome these students to our school community.

- f. Registration for next year - strong numbers are coming in - JK numbers are strong. Lots of younger siblings of students that are already in the building.
 - g. Enrollment currently at 550. Projections and planning for next year is underway.
 - h. Rocks and Rings is underway this week. Kids are absolutely loving it. Completely funded by the school.
6. Teacher Reports
- a. Kinder (Jessica Kight)
 - i. Mad Science came into classes - thanks parent council.
 - ii. Kinderlude - kids had a blast
 - iii. Attended Indigenous dance team presentation - enjoyed this.
 - iv. Collaborative artwork projects underway periodically.
 - v. Stem toys have been doing rotations in various classrooms.
 - vi. Looking into purchasing owl pellets - trying to switch up from butterflies.
 - vii. Two classes will be hosting ducks and chicks in April.
 - viii. Loving rocks and rings.
 - b. Primary (Sumona Di Tota)
 - i. Balonquilles - type of dodgeball has been going on
 - ii. Indigenous dance team presented to students
 - iii. Missed winter fun day due to weather, looking ahead to summer fun day.
 - iv. Book bin additions being made - decodable books for EFI bins.
 - v. Stem bin planning for next year is underway. Will help keeping track of supplies.
 - vi. Games club is starting - to help build social skills amongst students. Card game focus
 - c. Junior (Melissa Seth)
 - i. Winter Fun Day - kid enjoyed
 - ii. Borden Ball tournaments happened last week
 - iii. Basketball tryouts are underway now, tournaments after March Break
 - iv. Received the volleyball posts funded by school council - thank you!
 - v. Skating is wrapping up next month.
 - vi. Rainbow club is currently running. Open space for anyone that is interested.
 - vii. Drama club is up and running. Currently working on short skits.
 - viii. Spirit days have been ongoing in the last little while - twin, beach day
 - ix. Spoken word poet led by indigenous poet completed with grade 5 and 6 french immersion
 - x. Grad trip and grad details are being discussed. More details to follow.
7. Upcoming Events/Call for Volunteers (Jaime)
- a. Popcorn Day - March 22nd and April 26th
 - b. School Council Meeting - April 24th
 - c. Spring Cake Raffle - April 25th
8. Fundraising (Elisia)
- a. COBS - sold 106 cards for a gross profit of \$1325
 - b. Purdy's - The Christmas fundraiser went very well and the Easter one is going ok as well. We are currently a bit short of our goal but there's still time left.
 - c. Muskoka Coffee - coming up in April
 - d. Law & Order Food Night - last Wednesday in March
9. Other Business (Jaime)

- a. Yearbook - Reminder to staff to keep uploading photos!
 - i. The first half of the yearbook is due March 11th and the cover is due March 18th. The second half is due May 13th.
 - ii. Need some JYES pictures. Staff will schedule a JYES Spirit Day for March 28th.
- 10. Adjournment - Time: 7:10 pm

Next Meeting: Wednesday, April 24, 2024 at 6:30 p.m.