

Maple Ridge Parent Council
Tuesday, September 18, 2018
6:30 – 8:30

- 6:30 Meeting called (unofficially)
Marianne Harvey, school principal, welcomed everyone to the new year
Round table for introductions

Council Elections

- Chair
 - Cynthia Allen voted in
- Secretary
 - No nominations, can do on a rotational basis
- Treasurer
 - No volunteers
 - Wil Dykstra – if no one steps up, he will stay on
 - Can't attend every meeting
 - Can he be "hired" to do the books? It is most likely against policy.
 - Brenda Beaudoin will discuss with Wil what's involved
 - Jennifer Tracy also put her name forth to assist
- Communications Coordinator
 - Rosita McLaughlin
- Fundraising Coordinator
 - Not brought forward
- Members at Large – (no nomination necessary, full vote on everything)
 - Tracy Charles
 - Scott Robson
 - Tamara Johnson
 - Michelle Snook
 - Jennifer Tracy
 - Sarah Ford
 - Elitza Palazov
 - Kristi Leblanc
 - Wendy Mac
 - Tiffany White
 - Lisa Briscoe
 - Rosita Mclaughlin
 - Brenda Beaudoin
 - Heather Peppy
 - Shealee Free
 - Chantal Burns
- Community Member (no child at the school)
 - Barbara MacIntyre – appointed, unanimous vote

Meeting Dates for school year 2018-2019

- September 18
- October 9 (school trustee candidates coming)
- November 13
- December 11
- January 15
- February 12
- March 19
- April 9
- May 14
- June 18

Chair Update

- To conclude the 2017-18 academic year
 - Year-end Reporting of School Generated Funds – due September 21
 - School Council Annual Report – due October 30
 - PRO Grant Report – due July 15 – has been submitted
- Review of June minutes
 - Some explanations given for new members
 - Heather motioned for approval, Michelle seconded
- Hatch Programming
 - o Do we want to do this for 2018-2019?
 - o \$190 for 8 classes – approximately \$24/hour
 - o Grade 5, 5/6, 6 Immersion will do this in their classes (1 hr/week); possibly in October
 - o Last year's two classes were not full. Ratio is 1:6
 - o Communication needs to indicate that a few classes will be doing this
 - o Agree to get dates and more information
 - o Plan for January
- Coding for Lego – First Lego League
 - Ages 9-14
 - Requires volunteers
 - after school program (team gets a school rate, compete against other teams in other schools, must purchase the kit (couple hundred dollars))
- Principal Profile – due October 31
 - For review and discussion in October, to be circulated via email
- Review of Constitution
 - Committee to review
 - No volunteers, will revisit in October
 - Due in April with amendments and recommendations
- Pizza Lunch
- Jennifer Tracey and Wendy Lim are taking the lead
- Lunch Lady

- 2x weekly
- Better order deadlines
- Subway Lunch?
 - Jennifer to get some information and bring back to next meeting
- Front Display
 - Christi Barry to coordinate with teachers for art projects to be displayed
- Yearbook for Grade 8s
 - Heather Peppy and Elitza Palazov
 - Committee to be created with students
- OCASC
 - No volunteer to be OCASC representative and attend the monthly meetings
- Meet the Teacher evening – Thursday, September 20
 - Council table (Barb MacIntyre @ 6:30; Tracy Charles@ 7:00)
 - Information for parents – pamphlets, etc.
 - Complimentary bottled water for parents again this year. Miche Lalonde will pick up 4 cases.
 - Maps and/or lists will be available for parents
- PRO Grant – November 15 is the proposed date
 - Family Science Night was proposed in the grant application
 - Workshop-style evening
 - 4x 45-minute workshops, run twice
 - 20 students per session
 - More than 100 students, format would change to open format
 - Waiting for confirmation on date
 - Grant would be \$1,000 and council would pay \$250
 - If no PRO grant awarded, Council cost would be \$1,250
- 20-year Celebration
 - Plans?
- Family Fun Day – May 30, 2019
 - Need coordinators
 - Silent auction?
 - Post on FB page
 - Put the call out school wide for volunteers

Principal's Report

- 551 children enrolled, projection was 550
- No re-organization of classes needed
- No additional staffing as the census day has passed
- Large classes in 5 & 6 immersion
- New staff member – Lilly King, EA – comes with experience at intermediate and high school level
- First day of school
 - Miscommunication – there were a lot of concern from parents
 - Emails were responded to by Miss Marianne and M. Laliberté

- Communication is high on Miss Marianne's agenda for this year
 - Teachers are working with Miss Marianne to keep her informed. Asked to use the main school calendar
 - Many things happened last year that she did not know about because she was new. Teachers already had arrangements in place before Miss Marianne arrived. It all ran smoothly
- New Canada flag and pole.
- New site supervisor
 - Stan Banes
 - Oversees the facilities at the Board level
- New Psychologist
 - Rachel Tupper
 - Comes to MR on Monday mornings
 - Most of her schools are in the east end
- EQAO for school year 17/18
 - Reported publicly
 - Maple Ridge did well last year
 - Grade 6 math – upwards of 70% met the standard level this past year
 - Previous year was 36%
 - Ontario Ministry
 - Focus is still on math
 - Renewed Math Strategy is gone
 - Focusing on fundamentals
 - No new math curriculum yet
 - PD Day October 5 – focus for teachers will be on Math, renewed math strategies
- Terry Fox Run – September 27, 2018
- Terry Fox Assembly – September 21
- Meet the Teacher – September 20
- First fire drill completed
 - Two more in the fall
 - Second drill – Kinders will know
 - Third drill – done in secret
 - 3 drills in the spring
- September 25
 - Lockdown drill
 - All will be made aware
- Warning bell (new)
 - 5-minute warning before the end of the nutrition breaks

QUESTIONS:

- Health Education curriculum
 - With the election of the Conservative government, Ontario education is reverting back to 1998 curriculum, OCDSB is making it clear that teachers will support our kids; if they come with questions but not teaching the 2015 health curriculum

- Diversity, acceptance and tolerance, anti-bullying
- Breakfast at School program
 - Will be restarting
- Buddy Bench
 - Reintroduce the bench at an assembly?
 - Older kids mentoring? Would provide leadership skills for intermediate students
- ECE - Kinder classes, possibility of hiring one more as Dallas Hall has taken a position elsewhere
- Should we be proactive with teachers who may need specific fundraising?
- Grade 8 Student Achievement plaques & medals
 - Quote coming from Britannia Trophies
 - Need to decide if we want the same style as previous?
- Dan Renaud – grade 8 teacher
 - Nothing to report at this time.
- Mrs. Noseworthy
 - Teaching English, Arts, Phys Ed, Kinder coverage
 - Committed to come to all meeting
 - Will take any issues back to teachers
- DOT – designated occasional teacher
 - Adam Switzer – 17/18
 - Adam Switzer has applied for this year; decision comes October 1

Purdys Fundraiser

- Dates to be determined at October meeting, Christi Barry to take the lead.

Wishlist

- T-Shirts for kinders to be used on field trips
 - \$3 / shirt at Michaels
 - 30 of each of 4 colours
 - School will pay for 1/2, council pays for 1/2. \$400 total
 - Motioned by Chantal Burns, seconded by many, motion carried

School Pictures

- Carpe Diem
 - Contracted for this year
 - Marianne will check with school office on details

Pizza Days

- Request to send a reminder before September 21 deadline

Milk Program

- Is this running? Unknown at this time. Miss Marianne to verify.

Adjournment: 9:00

September 18/2018 meeting minutes approved by MRES council:

Cynthia Allen

October 9/2018

Executive Signature

Date

Appendix 1. Financial Summary

Maple Ridge - Parent Council Income Statement & Fund Reconciliation

	(current)	(last meeting)	(last year)
	Sept 18, 2018	June 18, 2018	Jul '17 - Jun '18
Income			
Lunch Programs			
Revenue	0	23,947	24,157
Expense	-283	-13,961	-13,989
Total Lunch Programs	-283	9,986	10,168
Dance-A-Thon			
Revenue			
Expense			
Total Dance-A-Thon	0	0	0
Family Fun Day			
Revenue	0	4,502	4,502
Expense	0	-4,019	-4,147
Total Family Fun Day	0	483	355
Movie Night			
Revenue	0	2,217	2,217
Expense	0	-416	-416
Total Movie Night	0	1,801	1,801
Other			
Grants	0	1,500	1,500
Other revenue	0	1,006	1,179
Purdy's revenue	0	3,287	3,287
Purdy's expense	0	-1,389	-1,389
Total Other	0	4,404	4,577
Total Income	-283	16,674	16,901
Expense			
Donations, sponsor			
Interest, bank charges	5	29	31
Miscellaneous	0	128	377
School - activities	0	7,550	8,050
School - books & equipment	0	9,539	10,136
School - greening	226	0	-5,117
Total Expense	231	17,246	13,477
Net Income	-514	-572	3,424
Available funds, beginning of year	11,094	7,670	7,670
Available funds, end of year	10,580	7,098	11,094
Reconciliation			
Balance per bank	14,202	16,229	14,333
Balance per PayPal			
Outstanding cheques	(3,622)	(1,337)	(3,622)
Outstanding deposits			383
Commitments			
School Yard		(5,244)	
Hot lunch		(750)	
School activities		(1,000)	
School equipment		(800)	
Available funds, end of year	10,580	7,098	11,094

