

## Maple Ridge Elementary School Parents Council

9 April 2019

Attendees: Wendy Mak, Crystall Matheson, Jennifer Tracey, Tracy Charles, Daniel Renaud, Marianne Harvey, Cynthia Allen, Elitza Palazov, Lisa Briscoe, Brenda Beaudoin, Amanda Hope

Regrets: Wil Dykstra, Marc Laliberté,

Meeting called to order: 6:35 pm

### **Approval for April agenda**

- Motion to approve agenda. **Motion passed.**

### **Approval for March minutes**

- Motion to approve minutes. **Motion to pass by Jennifer Tracey; seconded by Elitza Palatov.**

Minutes Recorded By: Amanda Hope

### **Principal's Report (Marianne Harvey)**

- Maple Ridge received their allocation and everything is status quo. Just waiting to hear if the ISST (Intermediate Student Success Teacher) position will be funded at .25 time. They have asked for a needs adjustment of .2 in an effort to avoid a surplus. Enrolment is pretty much the same: 6 English classes, 14 French immersion, and 4 kinder homerooms; same as now. There will be some splits. In French: 1/2, 4/5, 5/6, and 7/8. In English: 1/2, 3/4, 5/6, and 6/7/8. Some grade 6s may be leaving to go to St. Pete's for grade 7 but only 3 have confirmed.
- Chrissy is taking over for Mme Seguin's maternity leave. She started 2 weeks ago half time.
- Kelly Lee Evans, a Juno award winning singer/songwriter, gave a presentation on resilience and perseverance to grades 4-8. She was struck by lightning and lost her ability to sing. Her presentation tells her story and her comeback.
- The Ottawa Children's Choir will give a performance for Kinders- grade 3 on Apr 17 from 2-2:30.
- Day of pink is April 10.
- Sound system is being looked at but it is working and should be good to go for the Movie Night.
- The gardening club (teacher Krystal Dillon) is taking on the butterfly garden.
- The band was going to participate in the Kiwanis music festival but it was cancelled due to bus cancellation. Adjudicators came today to watch them and gave a lesson to them. Feedback was awesome! The band received a gold!
- Education Week – it was suggested to promote physical literacy. As part of it, the school will run across Canada! Starting Apr 23, for 10-11 days, every class will run for a few minutes. They are

going to track their progress, announcements, door decorating contest, and a kitchen party as a culminating event in the gym.

- Track and field meet typically has a theme. This year the idea was brought as doing a First Nations theme. This takes place May 24.

#### From Mr. Renaud:

- Guidance counsellors from Sir Wil will meet with grade 8 teachers to discuss the upcoming grade 8s.
- Education week – grade 8s will be at Carleton. Also scientists in the schools will be working with grade 7s and the remaining 8s. On Friday, a Claymation workshop will take place.
- On April 18<sup>th</sup> there is a Growth Mindset workshop with Mme Horton for the 8s.
- A folder is being prepared for the 6-8s about summer school. The targets are language and math for students not performing at grade level. A personal invite will be sent to parents of students who qualify. It runs for 3.5 weeks in July. It is up to parents to decide and there is no cost.
- The grade 8s have an opportunity to take a reach ahead course. For level four students. The criterion is strict since they're not officially in high school yet. Mr. Renaud takes care of the paperwork. If there is not enough enrolment, the class can be cancelled. But transportation will be provided to another location.
- Final receipt for the plaques came in. They are almost the same as the current ones and will be good for 18 years. He was able to negotiate a no charge for printing on the back of the medals for this year.
- The grade 8 leaving ceremony will be Wed June 26.
- A question was raised about a potential planned walk out by intermediate students on April 30? On April 4, there were some students who participated. A letter may go home stating that students either go home or protest in the building. These walkouts are not sanctioned by the school and classes will proceed as usual.
- Current sport happening is badminton.

#### Chair's Report (Cynthia Allen)

- OCASC: the last meeting had someone from PLEO (parent Lifeline of Eastern Ontario) which provides support for youth mental health and addictions. They meet in Orleans on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of each month. No pre-registration; for those caring for children suffering from mental health support group. Could maybe send this information out to the school community. Next OCASC meeting is next Thursday (April 18); having Paul Davis: My Life Online: Teaching Kids to be Safe, Smart Online.
- Apr 4 was our science evening. There were 237 participants. It did coincide with a couple other events and we would need more volunteers in the future. There were 3 extra stations that we didn't know about.
- Constitution Review – has to be reviewed every 3 years. There were a lot of changes so will send around a copy and vote on it next time. Committees and roles and responsibilities need to be in. Constitution Review committee will take another look at it.

- Movie night – Thursday April 11<sup>th</sup>. Door prize is the movie.
- Family Fun Day – letter will be sent out. There will be a firetruck, and inflatables. If we want to solicit a few prizes for raffle basket but there isn't going to be a big auction. Emails will be sent out for volunteers and cakes.

**Financials (Wil Dykstra - regrets)**

- Financial summary – Appendix 1
- Cheques were dropped off.

**Fundraising/Pizza Lunches (Wendy Lim & Jennifer Tracey)**

- Wendy will check with volunteers for makeup day for the day school was closed.

**Wish List**

- Would council support bag like the sac tam for Ms. Nowiski? Tanya will look at the cost. May not need to buy as many as they seem to be holding up well and there is the possibility of reusing them.
- Tanya is putting together a list to make sure we are on the same page with payment. (ie: basketball hoops, forest of reading, Raz kids)

**Adjourned at 8:00pm.**

April 9th/2019 meeting minutes approved by MRES council:

*Cynthia Allen*

May 14/2019

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Executive Signature

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Date

Appendix 1.

**Maple Ridge - Parent Council  
Income Statement & Fund Reconciliation**

	(last meeting)	(last year)	
	April 9, 2019	March 19, 2019	Jul '17 - Jun '18
<b>Income</b>			
Lunch Programs			
Revenue	26,721	26,695	24,157
Expense	-15,186	-15,257	-13,989
<b>Total Lunch Programs</b>	<b>11,535</b>	<b>11,438</b>	<b>10,168</b>
Dance-A-Thon			
Revenue			
Expense			
<b>Total Dance-A-Thon</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
Family Fun Day			
Revenue	0	0	4,502
Expense	0	0	-4,147
<b>Total Family Fun Day</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>355</b>
Movie Night			
Revenue	0	0	2,217
Expense	-330	0	-416
<b>Total Movie Night</b>	<b>-330</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,801</b>
Other			
Grants	3,470	2,500	1,500
Other revenue	228	228	1,179
Purdy's revenue	1,635	1,635	3,287
Purdy's expense	0	0	-1,389
<b>Total Other</b>	<b>5,333</b>	<b>4,363</b>	<b>4,577</b>
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>16,538</b>	<b>15,801</b>	<b>16,901</b>
<b>Expense</b>			
Interest, bank charges	25	21	31
Miscellaneous	87	87	377
School - activities	3,920	1,950	8,050
School - books & equipment	9,440	9,240	10,136
School - greening	226	226	-5,117
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>13,698</b>	<b>11,524</b>	<b>13,477</b>
<b>Net Income</b>	<b>2,840</b>	<b>4,277</b>	<b>3,424</b>
<b>Available funds, beginning of year</b>	<b>11,094</b>	<b>11,094</b>	<b>7,670</b>
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<b>Reconciliation</b>			
Balance per bank	27,193	29,025	14,333
Balance per PayPal	715	690	
Outstanding cheques	(330)	0	(3,622)
Outstanding deposits/receivables	2,557	2,557	383
<b>Commitments</b>			
Hot lunch	(4,000)	(5,900)	
School equipment	(10,051)	(9,501)	
School activities	(2,150)	(1,500)	
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