

MAPLE RIDGE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL



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Maple Ridge Elementary School Parents Council

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April 4th, 2023 – Virtual Meeting 6:30- 8:00pm

Meeting called to order: 6:36 pm

Attendees: Mireille Filion, Wendy Lim, Kelly Kane, Jennifer Tracey, Cynthia Allen, Mikhela

Jason, Lisa Briscoe, Crystall Matheson

Regrets: Lysanne Darmody, Amanda Hope

Minutes Recorded By: Cynthia Allen

Approval of Meeting Agenda: Nothing amended; agenda approved as is.

Approval of March's minutes: Deferred to May Council due to low attendance

Principal Report: (Mireille Filion)

- 570 students currently enrolled at MR, next week administration will be planning for next academic year, currently 74 gr 8 students leaving and 38 JKs coming in therefore projecting approximately 500 students for next year.
- Tutoring program finished last Friday which was an extra 5 hours per week, both in Math and English.
- 2.5 EAs for the entire building, the EAs in DD class are assigned and not used outside that class safety and basic needs are priority
- Thank you to Council for supporting the Blues in the Schools
- Momentum Moves a week long dance program involving the grades 1-8 (March 27-31)
- Mrs. Hamilton Hot Chocolate House planned for Thursday, April 27 grades 3-6
- Mr. Elliott Coffee House talent show for grades 7 & 8, date to be confirmed
- Gr. 8 leaving ceremony Tuesday, June 27th, Field trip for grade 8 students is planned for Friday, June 23
- Grades 4-7 students will have a team building activity on Friday, June 23. It is very
 difficult to plan field trips due to expense of the bussing and the lack of availability of
 busses

- School administration has sent a message sent to families regarding student drop off and pick up, hopefully the situation will improve
- Kindergarten yard there is an ongoing problem with dogs running around in the kinder park, a lot of dog waste found. Council is asked to please remind anyone they see within that fenced in area that it is not a dog park.
- Junior/Intermediate soccer to hopefully start next week, weather depending
- Track & Field (grades 3-8?) details to come
- Mme Roussel started a Writers Club, inspired from Jamal the Poet visit. Club opened to intermediate and junior students
- School is nominating Freida Fong for as Ottawa's favorite Crossing Guard award-Ottawa Safety Council- https://www.ottawasafetycouncil.ca/thankyou/. Freida has won this award on two previous years.

Financial Summary: Appendix 1. (Jennifer Tracey)

Addition of Spring Pizza money to 'Revenue'

Wish List

- Tea lights and items for Hot Chocolate House will conduct a vote via email since lacking quorum to vote
- September grade 3-8 Tour of Humanity is a mobile Tolerance Education Center, booked for September, two days at Maple Ridge to learn about Indigenous studies http://www.tourforhumanity.com/.

More details to be provided at a later date and possible request to Council to financially support the initiative.

<u>Meeting adjourned:</u> General council meeting was adjourned at 7:20pm followed by discussions about the upcoming PRO grant activity and Family Fun Day.

Benefits of Edible Gardens: Hands-on planting activity

- Pro Grant Funding
- Date: Thursday, April 27th TBD
- Facilitated by Growing Up Organic
- Free but sign up is required
- Open Registration Tuesday, April 14
- Close Registration Tuesday, April 28
- Volunteers greeters, set-up, clean-up

Family Fun Day: - Thursday, May 25th

January	v 17 th –	First	planning	committee	meeting:

- Circus Delights inflatables confirmed.
- Firetruck confirmed with City of Ottawa to attend for 1 hour
- Wendy has confirmed there are some games already in the storage shed

Progress to be reported at May meeting.

April 4th, 2023, meeting minutes approved by MRES council:

Cynthia Allen	May 2, 2023		
Executive Signature	Date		

Appendix 1: Financial Summary and Commitments

Maple Ridge - Parent Council Income Statement & Fund Reconciliation

		(Last meeting)	(Last year)
	Apr 4, 2023	Mar 5, 2023	Jul 31, 2022
Income			
Lunch Programs			
Revenue	36,771	20,607	3,383
Expense	-23,356	-13,199	-2,115
Total Lunch Programs	13,415	7,409	1,268
Other			
Grants	700	0	1,820
Other Revenue	0	0	211
Purdys Revenue	1,126	1,126	1,012
Total Income	15,241	8,535	4,311
Expense			
Interest, bank charges	22	19	33
Miscellaneous	0	0	201
School - activities	6,633	6,633	2,603
School - books & equipment	4,933	4,933	2,713
School - greening	0	0	0
Total Expense	11,588	11,585	5,550
Net Income	3,652	-3,051	-1,240
Available funds, beginning of year	8,148	8,148	9,388
Available funds, end of year	11,800	5,097	8,148
Reconciliation			
Balance per bank	14,195	10,285	7,965
Balance per School Cash Online	15,839	10,742	0
Outstanding cheques	(375)	(375)	0
Outstanding deposits/receivables	700	0	0
Cash On Hand	150	0	184
Commitments			
Hot lunch	(10,136)	(6,982)	0
School Equipment	(3,051)	(3,051)	0
School Activities	(5,522)	(5,522)	0
School - Greening			
	0	0	0