**KPJS School Council Meeting**

**November 8, 2023**

**Attendees:**

Beverly O’Brien, Meg Arraial, Ellissa Glad, Lsan Tzadu, Laura Flanagan, Toby Mead, Misha Lobo, Chris Rotolo, Alisen Richmond-Peck, Jenn Tinker, Deniese Masters McKenney

|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Owner** | **Item** | | **Update/Discussion** | **Action/Decision** |
| Ellissa and Misha | Welcome and  land acknowledgement | |  |  |
| Laura | Approval of old minutes | | * September minutes were circulated for input on September 25. No changes received. | Minutes approved |
| Beverly | Principal’s Report | | * New music teacher to replace Ms Laforet (on maternity leave) * Report cards going home Nov 14; interviews Nov 15/16; contact homeroom teacher if you need accommodation for a different day * Winter concert date TBD; potentially Dec 12 * Thank you to SC and parent volunteers for first pizza lunch, which was a success |  |
| Megan | Teacher’s Report | | * Mrs. Khilji and Ms. Arrial are organizing technology for school. For SC consideration:   + 1 Chromebook: $275.52   + 20 Chromebooks: $5,470.60   + 1 Chromebook cart: $1,615.00   + Set-up cost: $133   + Total expense: $7218.18 + tax * Lsan confirmed the enhancement allotment per teacher is $300 (teachers can use it to fund any classroom enhancement they’d like) * Megan wondering if SC is funding Scientists in the School this year? Lsan will speak to it in the treasurer’s report. * Beverly noted one consideration for teachers is that it pays outside TDSB teachers to teach curriculum. However, there is no mandate that teachers can’t have a Scientist in the School. |  |
| Lsan | Treasurer’s Report | | * Previous monies for Scientists in the School was moved into a larger STEM budget line * Each teacher has approx. $230 to spend on STEM * $14,000 in non-board account * Significant surplus from last year ($7,000 after reserve for field enhancements) * October Movie night with BAS made $1,000 after expenses ($300 of which goes to BAS) * Total expense of $892 for first pizza lunch, we made $608 so loss of $284, which was expected. * SC will use special request fund to pay for new lunch table (at request if Beverly) * **SC voted on purchase of Chromebooks = PASSED** * **SC voted on Council giving $1,000 to the school for a Prologue performance = PASSED** * **SC voted on STEM budget line increase to $4,000 for teachers ($250 per teacher) = PASSED** | SC to purchase Chromecart (~$8,500)  SC to spend $1,000 on Prologue performance for all students  SC to increase teachers’ STEM budget to $4,000 |
| **Events and Fundraising** | | Movie Night  •Planning our first one is Oct 20 in collaboration with Beaches  •Planning four this year with Beaches: Dec 5, Feb 9, April 6  •While this raises a small amount of money, the goal is about community: bringing people together  Winter Read-a-Thon  •Laura to have forms in teacher’s mailboxes last Monday in December  Bingo Night Fundraiser for Grade 6 Graduation  •Jenn Tinker, Laura Flanagan, Deniese Masters McKenney and Alisen Richmond-Peck volunteered to be on grade six graduation committee  •46 grade six students this year  Purdy’s Chocolate Fundraiser  •Jenn Tinker running again; requested it added to SC communications  Art Cards  •Teachers are working on art projects with their classes now; due date to complete art is next Thursday, Nov 16  •Sample will be sent home early December  Pizza lunch  •Need volunteers for Friday, November 8, 2023  •Email kimberleysc@gmail.com if available  •Trying to migrate from SchoolCash Online to etransfers so school admin doesn’t have to manager it  Staff Appreciation Breakfast  •Laura organizing for Tues, Dec 19  •Volunteers appreciated  Parents’ Night Out February/April  •Nicky is committee lead  Fun Fair  •Misha will lead as committee chair  •General list of volunteers (events, food, sponsorship)  •If interested at all, pls email Misha  School Food Drive  •Month of December | |  |