

Home and School Meeting Minutes VIRTUAL MEETING

Date: Monday March 22nd, 2021 at 7:00 PM

Attendance: Catherine Fini, Melissa Lim, Emmanuelle Dagenais, Neil Linsdell, Marcia Ploplis,

Julia Genoni, Bita Guzman, Sharon Rothwell, Darcy Moncada, Samantha Whipps

Non-members: Paul DesBaillets

1.Opening remarks: welcome members and non-members! We have quorum.

2. Approval of agenda for March 2021

Motion by: Julia Seconded by: Sharon All in favor

3.Approval of minutes from February 2021 (*Emmanuelle*)

Motion by: Melissa Seconded by: Julia All in favor

4.Reports: (15 minutes)

4.1 President's Report (including QFHSA).

Discussion on coffee habits: survey sent through H&S to get feels on how people like to order. Paul may have a contact in coffee sales. Sharing posts on FB when we open the online store: it worked for getting people to buy some items.

4.2 Treasurer's Report & Budget (Neil)

Highlights from last month: Lovable Labels we received 2 years of commissions (\$573); winter carnival expenses were sent in including the seminar for parents on April 8th; Staff appreciation: updated from past events; Paid Foster child; Grade 6 Grad good success with Wine raffle; new payment from Shopify is expected for about \$500. We are \$1100 from our \$3000 goal.

4.3 Membership Updates (Marcia)

None

4.4 Principal's report (Mrs Brayne)

Mrs Brayne unable to make it tonight, so Mr Lag will share her updates.

- -Huge thank you for the bingo prizes and gift cards at the bookstores. Just Dance was new and kids were excited.
- -Thank you for the gift card to Babar. Mrs Brayne ordered books for classrooms.
- -Director from the School board has recommended to wait to plan anything for Grad. Waiting for the April meeting to decide.
- -Mrs Brayne announced that she will be retiring at the end of the year.

4.5 Teacher representative (Mr. Lag): Teacher Wish Lists, etc.

Mr Lag had a wish list and Mrs Brayne has decided to cover it all! Lots of new equipment for gym.

5 Coordinator Reports: (25 minutes)

5.1 Foster Child Update (Catherine)

Raising funds starting mid-April and will donate money to get a leaf to put on the tree and a dress-down day on April 30th. This should raise enough money to cover the costs. Every year we raise about \$700 and the extra goes to the foster child's community.

5.2 School Supplies (Catherine)

Used Edition Vaudreuil for the last 2 years and parents and teachers were satisfied. Customer service is good. We raise \$400-500 per year. Increased participation last year and if the trend continues, we could make more in commissions. Catherine would like to recommend that we use the supplier again this year. Motion by: Marcia Seconded by: Sharon All in favor

5.3 Spring Fundraiser Update

Community Chalk-Flower scavenger hunt on the weekend to kick off the outdoor classroom campaign. Over 35 people entered the contest. Store is up and running on the website until April 1st. Added seeds and maple syrup. This weekend, we raised approximately \$365. So far this year, we raised approximately \$1629. With Flip Give, you don't always need to buy a gift card, sometimes the vendor directs you directly to the website. Original budget goal will be on thermometer to indicate how far we are from \$3000 goal which would be based on the stores. We would indicate that we are about ½ way there. This has been tied into the outdoor classroom. Mrs Brayne had more specific ideas she shared with Melissa.

5.4 Clothing/Pink Shirts (Emmanuelle)

We had discussed having kids have a contest re: design or slogan. We will ask GB if we were to add a branded BH pink shirt, if the kids could wear it as part of the school clothing, all year. We could order this shirt during the year, for delivery for February.

5.5 Grad update (Pauline and Darcy)

Fundraiser was a success: raised \$4000 (enough for a party or gifts). Meeting in a week to give parents an update. Mrs Brayne offered to send an email to all parents regarding grad: not allowed to make decisions about plans. We should spend minimal effort on planning events. Julia is working on yearbook and needs photos. Mrs Brayne has been working on taking photos. Cameras are in classrooms to encourage kids to take photos. Alishia has found USB key and will get it to Melissa soon.

6 New Business/Open Floor/Question period (H & S related items) – 10 minutes

- -Sam Whipp's Digital Citizen's workshop for April 8th \$500: Expert in Digital Leadership Jennifer Cassa Todd will be talking to parents. Conversation starters will be on the posters on FB. Link will be public. Who will be host for the event, do we want to be on meeting mode or presenter mode? Melissa and Samantha will discuss this.
- -Mrs Brayne polled the students regarding lanyards for masks. Teachers are interested. We don't need to buy some for everyone. There are 4 options (2 from Amazon; 1 local with logo on it and easier hooks; 1 cheap option if you order 500 units). Can we order some? Do we have budget? Girls in grade 6 stopped using them; so did other students. Debated pros and cons of lanyards for students. Safety issues, FB post, more things to manage. Will look into a poll or a pilot project for teachers. We could order more if teachers like it and want more.
- -Brainstorm the next community event: art project? Marcia is interested.
- -Outdoor classroom plans? Landscaping? It would help us to get a vision.

7 Call to action:

- -share links from FB to personal timeline.
- -open positions are president/VP/Secretary; coordinator for clothing, book fair, staff appreciation

8 Meeting adjourned at 8:35 PM

Motion: Sharon Seconded by: Marcia All in favor

Next meeting April 19th at 7 pm.