Adam Beck School Council

Thursday November 24, 2016

6:30 to 8:30pm

Studio

Attendees

Mr Yee, Lola Scenna, Jarrod Bines, Madame D'Assios

Alex Bellamy, Francesca Rea, Julie Middleton, Zahra Rafiq, Michelle Lavoie, Jane Blondie, Karen McMullin, Lisa Telio, Christina Toporas, Jackie Wilson, Victoria Kay, Lynne Downey, Michelle Lavoie

Shauna Kirk, Emily Lim, Paula Adam, Denise Emanuel, Wendy Collins, Donna Bullard-Pease, Patti Vora, Kate Milligan, Catherine Jin, Emily Chan, Jeny Nussey, Adrienne Guthrie

Welcome and Passing of Minutes

Alex welcomed the group and asked for approval of the October 2016 minutes. Karen McMullin proposed the motion and Lisa Telio seconded the motion. As there were none that were opposed and no edits proposed, the minutes were passed.

Principal Update

Mr Yee welcomed parents and thanked them for coming to parent council and talked about the new trees in the yard.

Our trustee advised Mr Yee to call the city and ask for the trees which is part of a city program. The City of Toronto gave the maple and honey locus trees as a part of a city program. The book fair was a success, there was \$14,300.00 made.

Mr. Yee welcomed Madame D'Assios to come up and discuss the details.

Madame D'Assios discussed the breakdown on the sales between the English and French books. The English books sold contributed to 75% of the overall sales and the French contributed to 25%. Half of the profits made will be taken to buy better quality books as Scholastic doesn't have that quality so we want.

Mr. Yee continued to talk about Monsterbash and how successful it was. The net profit was \$4,207. There will be a Finance update in January. Also, the movie store where they rent movies from is closed so new options are being explored. Mr. Yee says there are issues with the wifi in the gym. Another parent suggested an adaptor, someone suggested a rocket stick.

Committee Review and Updates

- Mayfair will be starting early with their meeting on Tuesday.
- Grade 5 parents we have event going on Wednesday with timing to follow.
- Ottawa trip; there is a presentation on December 7, 2016
- Jan 25- 28 when grade fives go on their trip.
- Tomorrow is national jersey day
- French immersion for SK deadline is December 1, 2016, you have to do it online
- Holiday concert is December 22, 2016. Time for grades 1-3 is 6:30, and 7:30 for the juniors.
- Pajama day is Friday December 23rd.
- Thursday December 15 is the executive meeting.
- Wednesday January 11 is the consultation meeting.
- December 14 is the next pizza lunch.

Presentation – Dwayne Matthews

Parents approach Alex and she finds they struggle on how to approach the school structure. A parent introduced her to Dwayne Matthews. He was a former teacher who is now an entrepreneur. Dwayne spoke about how excited he was about becoming a father and what his experience was. He spoke about his sons first day of school and trying to find ways to communicate with his son.

He asked what we want for our children – some parents said they want them to have good relationships, they want them to be independent. Dwayne gave a lesson on pattern recognition and how to incorporate that into everyday habits. There are more lessons available that will be sent out. Dwayne recommended reading 'The power of Habits' and going to Habitca.ca if parents are interested in learning more.

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