

Churchill Public School
School Council
APPROVED Meeting Minutes
Tuesday November 1, 2016

Members Present: Jenn Turner, Lisa Howey, Mary Ginis-Heale, Peter Ly, Catherine Martins, Howard Arfin, Katie Clarke, Elisa Palter, Rachelle Najman (teacher rep), Laura Slater (principal)

1. Welcome & Introductions

Jenn welcome and meeting brought to order at 10:00 am

2. Adoption/review of past minutes

Mary Ginis-Heale motion to adopt minutes, second by Howard Arfin

3. Reports

Treasurer Report (Mary Ginis-Heale)

- pizza lunches
- house league shirt sales went well, could look into different shirt supplier for next year
- 3 prologues performances have been booked, some more to be booked
- teachers using discretionary fund, others still need to spend

Teacher Report (Rachelle Najman)

- October was very busy, thank you to school council for decorating school and gym for Halloween
- cross-country wrapped up in October, girls and boys softball teams competed in tournaments
- intramural activities – sports, science club, glee club, spirit squad (first spirit day this Friday, sports day)
- upcoming in November – progress reports November 16 (for SK – Grade 5 students), opportunity for parent teacher interviews evening of November 17 or Friday November 18 (P.A. Day), teachers will be coordinating meeting times with parents
- photo orders due Thursday November 3, photo retakes Nov 10
- Remembrance Day assembly on November 11 @ 10:30 am
- Pizza Days have been successful
- Bullying awareness week in November
- Dufflebag Theatre performance took place in October
- November's character trait is Empathy
- Acorn artwork has been completed by students, orders due back to school November 14
- Movie night November 24
- spirit day – house league shirt day last Friday of November

Principal Report (Laura Slater)

- fire drills - 3 for fall have been completed, 3 more will need to be completed in the spring
- lockdown practices – fall event will happen shortly, one will also take place in the spring
- interactive whiteboards – one has been ordered out of school budget for music room in the basement
- playscape update – rope ladder needs to be replaced and has been removed, rope ladder has already been replaced at least one time in the past 6 years, funds may need to come from school council to replace, school council should seek out other contacts to determine fundraising needs
- vote – replace the rope ladder with school council funds at a cost of \$1800, all in favour**
- school improvement plan – equity, achievement and well-being, strategies have not been decided yet, more information will be shared when it is developed

4. School Council Activities/Updates

- thank you to principal for getting bulletin board installed
- recent parent concerns – a) bus fees from parents for cross-country meet, strategies to be put in place for next year so parents will be aware of the fee for the bus
- b) shared field space after school between Chums childcare and community – field is to be shared
- Movie Night November 24 – ticket orders have gone home with students, all children are to be accompanied by a parent, all attending must purchase a ticket
- Acorn Cards update – artwork sent home with students, orders to be sent in to school by November 14, anticipate to have orders back to distribute within 3 weeks of that date – hoping to have items to students by December 9
- Class Parent Reps – still organizing coordination between teachers and parents that are interested in participating. Update by next council meeting. Program should be in place by then

- Special Presentation – Online Fundraising (Howard)
- future plans for online fundraising options to be determine, Peter will work with Howard.

5. Other Business

- North York Women's Shelter – Jenn has contacted the Women's Shelter and the campaign for donations should occur before Christmas
- School Statement of Needs – Draft was sent out to school community on October 16, zero feedback was received so SSON will be submitted as is.

motion to adjourn meeting made by Lisa Howey, seconded by Mary Ginis-Heale
meeting adjourned 11:53 am.