

Minutes of the School Council – June 20, 2019

Present: Ms. Petko, S. McKechnie, V. Zeballos, M. Young, N. Campbell, T. Anastassiou

Principal/Vice-Principal's Report – J. Petko

- *Recent Events*
 - The school thanked the School Council and parent volunteers for their hard work this year.
 - Bellapalooza was a success, and the staff enjoyed the Staff Appreciation Lunch.
 - On June 6, a panoramic photo was taken with staff and students forming a giant 'JSB' in the school field. Photo orders will be sent home early next week.
 - The Singing-in-the-Round concert for the primary/junior students was on June 19.
 - Students had a great time at Albion Hills (grade 7) and Muskoka Woods (grade 8).
 - The Toronto Inner City Rugby Foundation ran rugby workshops at the school. The school is working to expose students to new sports, and is considering trying lacrosse in the future.
 - A group of 16 students competed at the track and field City Final meet, and over half of them placed (earned a medal or a ribbon).
 - Intramural dodge ball tournaments are underway.
- *2019-20 Staffing*
 - There will be some staffing changes for 2019-20.
 - Ms. Leis is transferring to another school, and Ms. Zaph is transferring into the school
 - Mr. Cosic is moving to a new role as an Elementary Teachers of Toronto Health and Safety Inspector in September. Mr. Morley and Mr. Makowiecki are taking leaves of absence.
 - Ms. Armstrong will fill the vacant Designated Early Childhood Educator position. Ms. Shears returns from maternity leave.
 - The school is awaiting the placement of two teachers to fill the remaining staff vacancies.
- *Facilities*
 - Part of the roof will be replaced over the summer, to address leaks. The windows will also be replaced.
- *Upcoming Events*
 - June 26 – Grade 8 graduation at 10am
 - June 27 – Terrific Tigers Assembly & Awards Assembly at 9:20am
 - Last day of school
 - Report cards sent home
 - June 28 – PA Day
- *School Office Hours*
 - The school office will be open from 8:30am to 1pm the week of July 2-5.

Treasurer's Report

- Read and received.
- As of May 31, 2019, the total bank balance was \$16,482.73. After earmarking funds for the Hot Lunch Room fund, the closing operating balance was \$15,830.63.

- The May Pizza Lunch raised \$427.50.
- Bellapalooza raised a profit of about \$6,000. As some funds are still being collected and some expenses are still to be paid, the final profit is to be confirmed.
- \$2,700 was allocated for the teachers for classroom enhancements.
- \$1,710 was allocated for six replacement Chrome books.
- \$4,000 was allocated for multiple sets of levelled reading texts.
- \$5,000 was allocated for social studies resources.
- \$3,000 was allocated for science resources.
- \$1,200 was allocated for an X-Movement workshop.
- \$500 was allocated for the grade 8 Mandarin lunch.
- \$290 was allocated for the grade 8 trip to E-Zone.
- \$200-\$250 was allocated for gardening supplies.
- \$284.16 was allocated for Ms. Cruickshank's class's tie-dyed shirts.

School Council Report and New Business

- *Budget and Allocations*
 - The school provided a prioritized wish list. Priority items identified included the replacement of six broken Chrome books, more technology, levelled reading texts for primary students, social studies resources, science resources, and X-Movement workshops.
 - As a thank you from the School Council, each teacher will receive \$100 to spend in their classrooms in the fall. The total cost is \$2,700.
 - The School Council is purchasing six new Chrome books to replace the broken ones. The total cost is \$1,710.
 - The School Council is purchasing multiple sets of levelled reading texts for the kindergarten to grade 3 classes. The total cost is \$4,000.
 - The School Council is purchasing social studies resources (maps, books, apps) for the grade 4 to 8 students. The total cost is \$5,000.
 - The School Council is purchasing science resources (hands-on materials, tools) for senior students. The total cost is \$3,000.
 - The School Council is purchasing an X-Movement workshop suitable for the whole school. The total cost is \$1,200.
- *Bellapalooza*
 - Despite having to move inside due to rain, Bellapalooza was a well-attended, successful event, raising about \$6,000 (about \$2,000 less than last year). A breakdown of funds raised (before expenses) is below.
 - \$5,257.00 – ticket sales (food tickets and activity tickets)
 - \$1,157.00 – raffle baskets
 - \$592.20 – yard sale
 - \$406.75 – bake sale
 - \$294.75 – 50/50 draw
 - Silent auction money is still being collected.
 - The Bellapalooza Planning Committee will have a post-mortem meeting in July.
- *First Day of School Package and Email Collection*
 - The School Council will provide the school with the School Council Executive Nomination form and School Council letter for the package sent home on the first day of school.
 - The school will include an option for parents to give the school permission to share their email addresses with the School Council for its email distribution list.

- *Fall Dates*
 - The Welcome Back BBQ is tentatively scheduled for **Thursday, September 19.**
 - The School Council Executive Nomination forms will be due on **Friday, September 20.**
 - The first School Council meeting of the year will be on **Thursday, September 26.**
 - As the Treasurer and Secretary have children graduating next year, new people are needed to transition into the roles.
- *Graduation Lunch at the Mandarin*
 - The School Council is contributing \$500 to the grade 8 graduation lunch at the Mandarin.
- *E-Zone Contribution*
 - In past years, the grade 8 students had the Bellapalooza car wash to raise funds for an end-of-year activity. As it was cancelled, the School Council will contribute \$5 per student for a trip to E-Zone. The total cost is \$290.
- *JSB Veggie Garden Supplies*
 - The school partnered with the Humber College Gardens Pod project. Humber College helped build five planters, planted vegetables and food plants (with the help of students), and will help to harvest them.
 - Half of the harvest will be donated to the Daily Bread Food Bank. Plants were donated by the High Park Children's Garden City of Toronto. Humber College also supplied and set up two rain barrel watering systems.
 - The School Council is contributing \$200-\$250 for gardening tools and supplies.
- *Tie-Dyed Shirts Request*
 - Mrs. Cruickshank's class was the winner of this year's Pizza Lunch contest, winning \$300 to use for a class activity. The class made tie-dyed shirts, and the total cost was \$284.16.
- *2018-19 Annual Report*
 - The School Council will prepare and circulate a 2018-19 annual report summarizing how funds were raised, how funds were spent, and other School Council initiatives this year.
- *2019-20 Parent Reaching Out (PRO) Grant*
 - The Ministry of Education has signalled there will be a 2019-20 PRO grant, however details, including funding amount and application deadline are not available.
- *Swim to Survive Program*
 - The School Council had agreed to allocate funds to provide bussing for the grade 3 and 4 students for the Swim to Survive Program. However, the program provided the bussing.
- *Grade Eight Citizenship Award*
 - Mr. Barnes will present the Citizenship Award at the graduation ceremony on behalf of the School Council.

Meeting adjourned at 8:05pm

Next School Council Meeting

- Thursday, September 26 @ 7pm – first meeting of the year

TREASURER'S REPORT MAY 2019

OPENING TOTAL BANK BALANCE – MAY 1, 2019 \$16,557.87

ADD:

LESS:

Bellapalooza Expenses – Shannon McKechnie **(\$75.14)**

UPCOMING EXPENSES: \$4,660.52

Bellapalooza - \$2,914.95

Parent Network Snacks - \$96.72

Ms Chard Pizza lunch winners (tie-dye shirts) - \$284.16

Grade 8 trip/lunch - \$790.00

Scientists in the School (kindies) - \$615.00

CLOSING TOTAL BANK BALANCE – MAY 31, 2019 \$16,482.73

TOTALS TO BE NOTED:

May Pizza total: \$427.50

Bellapalooza cash: \$9,527.70

Shannon McKechnie

Treasurer

June 20, 2019

TREASURER'S REPORT MAY 2019

STATEMENT AS OF MAY 31, 2019 FOR ALLOCATED MONIES

SPORTS	\$0
TECHNOLOGY	\$0
ARTISTIC FUND	\$0
TEACHER FUND (CLASSROOM IMPROVEMENTS)	\$0
HOT LUNCH ROOM FUND	\$652.10
STUDENT RESOURCES (RAZ KIDS, SCIENTISTS)	\$0
GRADE 8 GRAD LUNCH	\$0
MATH RESOURCES	\$0
GREEN SPACE	\$0
OUTSTANDING CHEQUES	\$0

STATEMENT OF TOTAL BANK BALANCE AS OF MAY 31, 2019

SPORTS	\$0
TECHNOLOGY	\$0
OPERATING	\$15,830.63
ARTISTIC FUND	\$0
TEACHER FUND (CLASSROOM IMPROVEMENTS)	\$0
HOT LUNCH ROOM FUND	\$652.10
STUDENT RESOURCES (RAZ-KIDS)	\$0
GRADE 8 GRAD LUNCH	\$0
MATH RESOURCES	\$0
GREEN SPACE	\$0
OUTSTANDING CHEQUES	\$0
TOTAL	\$16,482.73

TOTAL OPERATING BALANCE AS OF MAY 31, 2019 \$15,830.63

Shannon McKechnie
Treasurer
June 20, 2019

James S. Bell School Council Meeting
June, 2019
Principal/VP's Report

Thank-you to all the parents on Council who throughout the year have dedicated so much of their time, effort, talents and energy in ensuring that our students have varied, educational and memorable experiences at school both in and out of the classroom. Thank-you in particular to all those who organized and contributed to our successful Bellapalooza.

We hope you have a nice summer holiday with family and friends!

Recent Events:

- Panoramic photo on June 6 in the JSB letters
- Singing in the round June 19 and Staff appreciation luncheon (A Big Thank-you for organizing this and to all the parents who contributed delicious items!)
- Grade 7 trip to Albion Hills and Grade 8 trip to Muskoka Woods
- TIRF (Toronto Inner City Rugby Foundation rugby workshops)
- Track and Field wrapped up at Cities
- Intramural dodge ball tournaments

Staffing for 2019-2020

- We are at the end of the staffing process. We say goodbye to Ms. Melanie Leis who will be transferring out and Ms. Sandy Zaph will be transferring in. Congratulations to Mr. Ivan Cosic who will be taking on an ETT Health and Safety Inspector role beginning in Sept for the year. Mr. Chandler Morley and Mr. Mark Makowiecki will be taking four over five leaves next year. We welcome Ms. Laureen Armstrong into our DECE position. We are awaiting placement of two teachers to our school to fill our remaining staff vacancies.

Calendar of Events:

Fri. June 21-last pizza day of the year

Fri. June 21-Kindie play day in the a.m., Ezone for grade 8 in the p.m., grade 1-5 Play day in the p.m.

Wed. June 26-Graduation 10 a.m. followed by Mandarin Lunch p.m.

Thurs. June 27-Terrific Tigers assembly 9:20 a.m. and awards assembly, Last Day of School and report cards will go home

Fri. June 28-PA day no school (note: we will be having our windows and a section of our roof replaced over the summer months)

Please see the 2019-2020 calendar for important dates for your planning purposes.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact us.

Jennie Petko, Principal & Jeff Newman, Vice Principal
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