

## **Owen School Advisory Council**

**Tuesday Oct 2nd, 2012**

**6:30-7:30 pm**

### **In attendance**

#### **Parents**

Debbie Levy, Sarah Payne, Michelle Minion, Gillian Wyett, Jim Bromby, Caroline Thompson, Alison Cha, Cecilia Lo, Suzanne Blais, Helen Georgiou, Angela Lam Chang, Millang Kim-ko, Jennifer Young, Nazia Selzner

#### **Administration**

Pat Broderick, Stephanie Bailly

#### **1-Welcome and Introduction**      Debbie Levy,

Debbie welcomed all parents to the first OSAC meeting

#### **2- Agenda**      No addition was requested

#### **3- Minutes: Sept 2012**

- Approval put forward by Sarah, seconded by Jennifer: approved
- Debbie discussed the school statement of need. This is a form which needs to be filled each year. Should any changes happen in the administration, this form allows the new staff to know where the priority and goals of the school stands. This form contains several categories as follows:
  - Student achievement
  - Parent engagement
  - Staff commitment
  - Special education
  - Community/school partnership
  - Technology in the classes

Debbie will fill out this form but requested that if parents have any ideas for further categories to email her directly with the suggestions.

#### 4- Administration Report

- Pat announced the followings:
  - 2 more smart boards are coming this week
  - We meet the cutoff for cross country and are going on Oct 11
  - Regardless of the outcome of the legislations, Grade 6 students will go to Ottawa this year
  - Similarly holiday concert will happen although it might be a day event
  - It is not clear whether the year book will happen this year but everyone will do their best
- **5- Spirit Events**
  - **Spirit day:** like last year each class will choose a theme for a spirit day which will be the last Friday of each month
  - **Culture days:** Lupita is planning a Venice Carnival Day this year
  - **Movie night:** Jim/Dean Nov 15<sup>th</sup> prior to the PD day.
- **Fundraising Plans:**
  - **Pizza Lunch:** Gillian Wyett orders are processed
  - **Used winter clothing:** Robin Conliff **Please bring in gently used winter cloths as well as Halloween costumes** Robin will send a note to the class parents. She has a list of helper. The event is Oct 16-18<sup>th</sup>.
  - **Dance-a-thon Chanh & Elizabeth** will be in Feb
  - **Spring Fling:** Debbie planned for June 13<sup>th</sup> after school. Still looking for someone to lead the event
  - **Holiday Fundraiser:** Ideas are there. We are looking for someone to lead the event

#### 7- Committees

**Library:** Joanne still needs help/volunteers for cleaning and labelling

- **After school:** Debbie Levy Seems going very well

- **Healthy Living:**

- **Milk: Cecilia** 3<sup>rd</sup> week of distribution. 120 cartons are distributed. There are 40 volunteers among the Garde 5 students.
- **Snacks: Jennifer** first healthy snack was given on the Terry Fox day.
- **Kids Kitchen: Michelle** everything is ok
- **Echo Club:** is now within garde 3 curriculum.

- **Grade 6 Nassim Jamal will lead the committee.**

- St John's babysitting: will held in the library for three weeks. The information will be out soon. Forms are in the office.

## **6- Finances: Allison Cha**

Alison presented the new statement where you can see the cash on hand. Debbie put forward the motion to allocate some of the initiatives to enrichment of Art, music and drama programs. All approved

Other initiatives will be allocated to areas of need such as technology or physical education.

The next OSAC meeting: Tuesday Jan 2nd 2012.

Motion to adjourn by Debbie, seconded by Nazia, all voted in favour. Meeting adjourned at 7.30pm.