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Sloane School Advisory Council Meeting Tuesday, October 4, 2022 (In-person/Virtual Meeting)

Attendance: Jackie Panagakos (Chair), Christine Karageorgos (Secretary), Laki Karageorgos, Christina Lazarou, Ms. Syptak (Principal), Ms. Torres (Teacher), Ms. Coombe (Teacher), 14 virtual attendees

- Meeting brought to order by Jackie at 7:05 p.m.
- Minutes taken by Jackie.

Principal's Report (Ms. Syptak)

- Re-organization of classes has occurred to reflect actual student enrollment in school. With re-organization, we received 1 additional teacher, 0.5 additional ESL and 1 additional ECE.
- Now that COVID restrictions have been lifted, students can now eat lunch in the gym. As per fire safety code/rules, only 168 students can eat in gym, therefore grade 4's and 5's eat in their classrooms, remainder eat in the gym. Students are supervised by lunch room supervisors.
- Extracurricular activities have started: Girls Borden Ball, Boys Soccer and Cross Country. More sports and clubs to come. All extracurricular activities are run by teachers during their own personal time. Thank you to all the teachers that will be running sports teams and clubs.
- Upcoming PA Days = Oct 7, Nov 18 (parent/teacher interviews), and Dec 2.
- Picture Day rescheduled to November 4, 2022.
- School trips are being planned.
- Grade 5 Graduation will be on June 22, 2023 at 1:30 p.m.
- Recent incidents at Sloane:
 - Naked intruder (Sept. 22) – waiting for part to fix door 4.
 - Graffiti (Oct 2-3) – police investigation ongoing, graffiti has been covered up/painted over.

Financial Report

- Opening balance 2021/22 school year = \$23,829.23 (high due to lack of activities during pandemic).
- Revenue earned in 2021/22 school year = \$14,015.40 (pizza lunches and fun fair).

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- Amount spent by council during 2021/22 school year = \$11,362.85 (IXL, RAZ Kids, school buses for field trips, fun fair expenses).
- Opening balance 2022/23 school year = \$24,210.42

Elections

- Only 5 nominations were received for parent council voting members.
- To be a voting member, one must commit to attend and participate in school council meetings. Member will vote on issues such as council spending, fundraising initiatives, school community events etc.
- Nominations to become voting member extended to Friday, October 7, 2022, in hopes of receiving more nominations. We would like to have at least 10 voting members.
- An executive council will be determined amongst voting members.

Council meetings

- Mixed opinions regarding in-person vs. virtual vs. hybrid meetings.
- Next meeting to be held on Tuesday, November 8, 2022 from 6:00 – 7:00/7:30 p.m. in person. Babysitting will be available.
- Meeting will occur, on average, monthly. Remainder of meeting dates will be determined at next meeting.

Pizza Lunches

- Committee needs to be formed. Have some parent volunteers from last year interested in organizing/running pizza lunches, but could use more volunteers.
- David, Christine and Megan to look into quotes from Papa John's, Pizza Nova and Pizzaville.
- Start date and frequency to be determined.
- All pizza will be Halal. Also looking into gluten free (Celiac safe) option.

Other Business

- 2 Harry Potter Tickets donated by community member. Need fundraising ideas for tickets (i.e. raffle/auction through cash online vs. at a future school event)
- Community Engagement & Fundraising ideas to be discussed at next meeting
- Meeting Adjourned at 8:02 p.m.

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