MEETING MINUTESJanuary 22nd 6:30-7:30 Virtual

**1.Welcome and Attendance**

**Staff:** B Graydon, Mr. Morrone

**Parents:** Andrea T, Farah H-M, Telma, Sherry, Deylnn W, Ashley, Andrea R, Dwayne, Brittani, Sarah W, Ashley K, Cekici Keit, Arsela H, Nicole, Marietta, Tenika, Sana, Arsela H, Krista S,

**2. Land Acknowledgement**

We acknowledge we are hosted on the lands of the Mississauga’s of the Anishinaabe, the Haudenosaunee Confederacy and the Wendat. We also recognize the enduring presence of all First Nations, Métis and the Inuit peoples.

**3. Principals Report led by Barbara Graydon (inserted)**

**Skating Update** - going well, feedback regarding one class at a time is positive - let’s hope the weather cooperates moving forward.

next year we can look at starting in Dec, so classes can go more often

**Safe, Caring and Accepting Team update** – Code of Conduct Draft - will be sent out shortly to families for feedback

**School Improvement Plan Update** - Focus on the Science of Reading and the New Language Curriculum - OLD - Reading, Writing, Oral and Visual Communication and Media Literacy to Strands A-D (staff training, admin training is ongoing as we transition to the new curriculum)

**Term One Reports** - teachers are currently completing Term One Report Cards and Communication of Learning - Reports will go home Monday, Feb 12, 2024 with interviews on the evening of Feb 15 and the morning of Feb. 16th

**Dental Screening- Feb. 22-29/ 2024 - a letter will be sent home to families with the details**

A screening program offered by Toronto Public Health (TPH).  The screening is an assessment by an oral health staff member using a separate sterilized mouth mirror for each child. The oral health staff member will assess the need for topical fluoride, scaling, sealant and any other obvious dental needs. As a follow up to the screening,only parents whose children were screened will be notified and a note to that effect will be sent home with their child for your information and action.

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**4. Treasurer’s Report (Ashley and Telma)**

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| Balance (Jan 22, 2024) | $71,253.27 |
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| Expenses allocated (not paid) | -$47,493.48 |
| Projected  Pizza Income (Feb-June) | $12,000 |
| Projected FunFest Income | $4000 |
| **Current Available TOTAL**  | **$23,759.79** |
| **Available TOTAL incl projections (approx.)** | **$39,000** |
| Expenses Paid to date | $27,880.01 |

1. **Staff Requests and Allocations** – Bank balance just over 71K as per above. 47K in expenses that have been allocate but not yet paid. Pizza Day is projected to earn 12K and fun fest: projected 4K. We have approx. $23,000 currently available to spend.

Some suggestions on how to spend:

* Partner with school to go on additional field trips - Subsidizing a bus or part of trip.
* Scientists in the school
* Tribal vision
* Possibility of classroom supplies – e.g.: tissues
* Games for classrooms on rain days
* Additional Outdoor toys
* Craft cupboard

Let’s ask staff what the best is for everyone.

We should also prepare for any pre allocations for next year.

1. **Parent Engagement Grant** - $500 to spend – these funds are meant to use to engage our parents.

Last year there was a wellness event/ guided mediation. We have also used this to have a book talk and refreshments.

We could use funds to host a yoga session or a Social Media Safety/ Literacy talk

1. Fun Fest Allocation – we agreed we need to spend around 5K which is expected cost
2. Library Update - Andrea T proposed to use– 15K for Library Refresh. To update broken chairs, new books, new rugs and furniture, new shelves, and desks.

Currently Not a fun space and it will add value to the school and the children’s experience.

Need to determine what projected cost breakdown is.

5. **Library Update (Andrea and Winnie)**

1. Design Review – mural, carpets, new books, chairs.
2. Project Plan – we reviewed.

P. Graydon clarified that schools literacy skills hold strong – but we do have an influx of ESL children and have received a new .5 ESL teacher.

**6. Fundraising & Events Committee**

**Cultural night approaching** – we will be having a community member teach Tibetan dance and conduct a performance.

**Fun Fest** – Sarah will assist as Volunteer Co-Ordinator, Sana can help with logistic planning.

**Staff appreciation lunch** – continue with pie commission – April - to work out a date.

7. **General Business**

1. Fundraiser for Grade 5 Grad – box of greeting cards –spread the word!! Each box makes us $12.00!

**8. Adjournment**