

Osgoode Public School

Informal OPS Council Meeting Minutes

October 11, 2022

Members in Attendance: Gaynor Kondric, Karyn Hughes, Rachel Glennie, Maggie Matte, Jen Scharf, Jackie Allen, Lori Leptick, Erin Nixon, Stephanie Poulin, Laura Stack, Kathryn Moncion, Erin Shellings, Jenn Sutton, Tiffany Cousineau, Aimee Faith, Samantha Wagner, Pierre Decaire

Regrets: Jennifer Gilliland, Kristen Cinnamon, Ashley Ladouceur, Jenn Gordon, Heather McMillan

Karyn welcomes all at 7:03p.m.

Action items from September minutes

ACTION ITEM	UPDATE
Council website	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Jenn Sutton has offered to update Council website <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Minutes are added and caught up - Will continue working on various tabs - Will add school council email address (in place of individual member's emails; all members agreed to allowing personal emails on website if needed) - Let Jenn know if there are any other changes required - Look into adding everyone to Google Drive location <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Jen Scharf has drive set up; will get members access
Christmas Catalogues	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Karyn will order catalogues <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - If they come in on time, we will send home physical ones - Will have option for online ordering either way <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Suggested to post to Osgoode pages for community support - OVAC Christmas committee may be interested in purchasing wrapping paper for their Christmas in the Village festivities
Clothing orders	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - We CAN use School Cash Online - Jackie will contact Sam Group to confirm if prices have stayed the same (or similar) and will move forward if so <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Try to get orders in before Christmas - Can we look into different colours? (ie, something for Pink Shirt Day?)
Hot lunch	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Subway is set up and ready to go - Red Dot may be a challenge this year

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Fat Les very accommodating - Milanos is unsure - Pizza Hut in Manotick <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - They do individual pizzas - Do they deliver? - Karyn will look into options <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Start with Pizza Hut and Subway - Aim to have rolled out in a few weeks - Jenn Sutton, Laura Stack, Jackie Allen, Jen Scharf (occasional) can help out with delivery/serving <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - An hour commitment during second break - Milk <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Can it be done through School Cash Online? Dairy Farmers online may have an ordering system (Erin Nixon will look into this) - Gaynor will ask Mrs. McCarlie if she is willing to help with delivery (her classroom is beside the room where the milk is stored). Potentially have some older students be 'runners' <i>Update after meeting - Shauna McCarlie's class is good to go with the milk program and very excited!</i> - May be easier to have a full opt-in, or opt-out system - Jackie and Rachel volunteered to roll it out if we have help from teachers/students
Staff Wish Lists	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Rocks and Rings (first week of December) ~\$750 - Amy Talbot (artist) ~\$120-\$150/class - Love to Groove ~\$600 - Scientists in School ~220/class (13 classes total) <p>*All above +HST</p>
Meeting time?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Changing to 6:30pm <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Motioned to pass by Maggie Matte and seconded by Sam Wagner - Passed by Karyn
Donate to other schools	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Will keep an eye out for a need of a sister school
Fundraising initiatives	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Created By Kids <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Kids design their own pictures at school (teachers must coordinate and send photos home to parents to approve) - Pictures are shipped to company and families can order from approximately three dozen products (water bottles, etc) - 25% to 30% of proceeds go back to school

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Not plausible to complete and have ready for Christmas ordering - Jackie to get more info; potential for a Mother's/Father's Day project, during a movie night, open house, etc - Movie Nights <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Karyn to book November 18, January 27, and April 21 - Do we still need to use DVDs? - Can only show G rated movies - Will need volunteers to run the canteen, the movie/projector, make popcorn, etc
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Minutes from September meeting motioned to pass by Lori Leptick and seconded by Jenn Sutton.

Principal and Staff Report – Gaynor Kondric

SMALL RE-ORG: As mentioned in the Friday message, we had to shuffle a few EFI classes in primary to rebalance our numbers and this resulted in the whole French Immersion side of the student population being in all straight classes. Students began in their new classes today. We are not expecting any more changes to our school organization at this point.

STAFF PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT: Two full days have so far been dedicated to staff professional development, with those two days directed by the Ministry of Education. So far, through the Ministry Priorities PD, staff have updated skills with health and safety, how to use the online eBase system to track violent incidents and other incidents that may occur at school, the Sexual Abuse Prevention Program, Commit to Kids, Aspen training modules (new electronic data systems), conditions for learning. Staff have also had training in several curriculum areas like foundational literacy, mathematics, the new science curriculum, kindergarten and core French. The next Ministry Priorities PD Day is on November 4th, with focus still to be communicated. Over and above the material staff has been accessing since September, there are other expectations that staff maintain their skills related to concussion awareness and management, anaphylaxis/ life threatening allergy awareness, IEP development, assessment and evaluation. As well, some staff have been updating their First Aid/ CPR certifications and their BMS (Behaviour Management Systems), and their health and safety inspection certifications. Various central departments also offer ongoing skill building, typically outside of school hours, related to truth and reconciliation, equity initiatives, destreaming, Lexia structured literacy, and many more opportunities for learning.

LEARNING ENHANCEMENTS: We have booked Rocks and Rings for the first week of December at a cost of \$750. We will also be booking Luv2Groove dance workshops for the whole school at a cost of approximately \$600. We are also hoping to book Amie Talbot drawing classes for the New Year, at a cost of \$150 per class. Finally, some staff have expressed interest in Scientists in the School for a total of approximately \$220 per class.

LIBRARY: Library classes are scheduled weekly this year. Each student has been given a library bag to transport their books to and from school. These bags have their student barcode on them. Please make sure your child returns their books on this bag. If possible, books should be returned the day before their scheduled class.

NATIONAL DAY FOR TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION: For National Day for Truth and Reconciliation - Different classes wrote different messages peace/kindness, on orange paper hearts, hung in windows. Kindergarten Classes painted orange rocks with the word love, peace, and kindness. The message is about being inclusive and understanding, all transferrable thinking in so many different scenarios around the whole world.

KINDERGARTEN: Pumpkin Investigations ongoing throughout October.

- *Examine the inside of the pumpkin
- *Sort the parts of the pumpkin
- *Examine the outside of the pumpkin
- *Talk about the different colors pumpkins can be
- *Pumpkin textures
- *Size and shape of pumpkin(measure with non-standard units)
- *sort & classify by appearance*weight, height and circumference
- *sink or float with pumpkins
- *pumpkin life cycle
- *paint and wash pumpkins!

UNITED WAY: The district has officially kicked off the annual United Way fundraiser, with plans to hold a *Silent Auction for staff* and a bake Sale for students. The United Way is instrumental in mobilizing volunteers to support education, financial stability and health for families in need. Stay tuned for more news.

NATURE NOOK: Those of you who recall us speaking last year about the new Nature Nook being planned for our yard will be pleased that the work has finally begun. Next to the new septic bed, a landscaping team came today to plant some trees. Our understanding is that a concrete pad the size of a bench will be installed this month as well. We are looking forward to adding onto the new Nature Nook over time.

TUTORING: As per Ministry directive, OCDSB senior staff has put into place the beginning of a tutoring program across the district. We have sent out an all-call to the community via School Messenger to get in touch with me directly if there is some interest in becoming a tutor. We are waiting for further direction from senior staff on implementation of this 9-week program, set to start at the end of October with an end date of December 23.

MILK PROGRAM: Mrs. McCarlie's class is willing to assist with the milk program implementation as soon as we hear that this is a 'go'. Students are excited to help develop and implement a very effective milk delivery system!

Treasurer's Report – Maggie Matte

- At the end of September we have \$13,017.67 in account
- Some money set aside for Scientists in the Schools (\$2,000)
- Money set aside for kinder toys (\$220.98)
 - Alicia Selleck excitedly looking through catalogues!
- \$1,500 set aside for generic gym equipment
- Total remaining spendable, \$9,087.09

Community Use of Schools - Karyn

- School Council needs to book the school (and specific room) for use of any social events
 - Judy has already booked council meetings
 - Because of time change, will this need to be adjusted?
 - Gaynor has access to see who has the school booked, should there be a conflict of times (priority often given to council needs)

Larger Project Needs

- Ideas given:
 - Outdoor classroom
 - Second soccer field/posts
 - Always a shortage of balls
 - Can use gym funds but school will need to order through their catalogue
 - Repair/refinish big play structure (rust)

Other Items

- Christmas Shopping Day
 - Booked for December 16th
 - Kids to bring in items from the 12th to 14th, parents/volunteers to organize and set up on the 15th
 - A little money in the budget to buy dad gifts (always a shortage)
- Danceathon
 - Scheduled for February 14th
 - Need to pick a theme
 - How to encourage older students to participate?
 - Combine with younger grades (buddies)
 - Get a screen and have dance shows on youtube (follow-alongs)
 - DJ will pick music appropriate for ages
 - Karyn has an old schedule to follow for planning purposes
- Spring Fling booked for May 26th
- Yearbooks
 - Jackie will look in to options
 - Will need volunteers to take photos
 - Check media releases on students
 - Get info from LifeTouch to get individual student photos
 - Competition to design cover?
- OVAC Christmas Committee is happy to support a family in need with a Christmas hamper this year
- Karyn will do a call for November agenda items

Action items from October minutes

ACTION ITEM	UPDATE
Staff wish list	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Need to vote on items requested by staff
Hot Lunch/Milk Program	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Follow-up on both
Fundraising	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Created by Kids <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Jackie to get more info - Christmas Catalogues <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Will physical copies be in on time? Karyn - Need to set up online order option - OPS Clothing <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Jackie to contact Sam group; prices the same? Get form out to students for Christmas ordering - Movie Night <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - November 18th - Need to set schedule, volunteers, pick movie, canteen, send notice to families (how early to send? Should this be done before the November 8th meeting?)
Council Website	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Jenn Sutton to continue working on tabs
Yearbooks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Jackie to look into it
Larger Project Needs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Further discussion on where to spend money <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Cost of rust removal?

Meeting ends at 8:58p.m.

Thanks for another great meeting everyone! Our next meeting will take place on Tuesday, November 8th at 6:30 p.m. in the Library. If there are any agenda items you would like to see added, please let us know.