

J.R. Wilcox Community School Council Meeting Minutes

November 30, 2021, 7:00pm - 8:15pm

Present: Ronit Soroksky* Rosanne Brown* (treasurer), Maria Tsafaras* (co-secretary), Jennifer Hall (Principal), Alex Howard*, Ariel Platt*, Laura Hetherington*, Lauren Lipkin*, Leah Gibleault*, Michelle Mountain*, Seeta Scully*, Valarie Taitt(Vice Principal), Amy Craig, Yael Schacter

*Voting members

Time*	Discussion Item	Notes	Decision and Actions
7:00pm	Welcome, Land Acknowledgments and Executive Team Introductions Ronit Soroksky		
7:05pm	Approval of Agenda/Declaration of Conflict of Interest Ronit Soroksky	No declarations	
7:10pm	Principal's Report Jennifer Hall	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Budget has been set. It is approximately \$57,000. Link for budget: https://www.tdsb.on.ca/About-Us/Business-Services/Budgets-and-Financial-Statements/School-Budgets ● The funds are allocated to where it is needed most such as iPads and Chrome Books. ● Report cards and interviews are complete. ● There is currently a TDSB wide staff shortage. There are limited supply teachers. ● The SIP (school improvement plan) is being worked on. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Regarding funds, can we purchase samsung as opposed to Apple products. A more budget friendly option? ● The kindergarten students now have Kids YouTube on their iPads, what is the policy around that? Is it promoted by the TDSB? ● If funds are low for technology, are we able to follow TDSB Bring Your Own Device? <p>Follow Ups</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Mrs. Hall to share budget with parents ● Mrs. Hall to confirm what technology can we buy that will stay within our school i.e. wouldn't risk going to other schools. ● Still looking for some people to act as Class Parents and volunteer for some events planned for 2022. If interested, reach out to Ronit.soroksky@tdsb.on.ca know ● If anyone has any connections to businesses that are willing to donate towards a March

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • More spirit days are wanted and will be planned. One spirit day will happen prior to the holiday break. • The iPads have paid apps vetted by TDSB that are for learning. They are structured and intentional for student education. 	<p>Silent Auction please let Ronit.soroksky@tdsb.on.ca know</p>
7:20pm	<p>Teacher's Report</p> <p>Laura Heatherington/Amy Craig</p>	<p>Spirit week to be taken on by the student government.</p>	
7:25pm	<p>Treasurer's Report</p> <p>Rosanne Brown</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No changes in report. • Money raised each year should be used in that year. There shouldn't be left over balance passed on to the following year. Given Covid, there were some funds passed on. 	<p>See below</p>
7:30pm	<p>Early Years Centre Overview and Q&A</p>		
7:35pm	<p>Committee Updates</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Brainstorm Recap & 2022 Calendar of Events • Class Parents • Donation Fundraising • Spirit Wear 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Idea made for virtual pizza night to raise money and/or cookie kit fundraiser. • Need ideas or connections for a silent auction. Find businesses to participate. • Leverage the grade 7's & 8's to fundraiser internally. Great learning and fundraising opportunity. • Candy grams - make them small and affordable so more kids can participate. • Bake sales are not permitted, store bought items are permitted. • Idea for events specific to age groups. 	<p><u>Follow Ups</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mrs Craig & Mrs Hetherington to advise is grade 8s want to lead a Valentine's fundraiser. Parents are not allowed in. Kids can earn some money towards their graduation.

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Voting members voted to go forward with Wishlist raising funds. Donated money will go towards the parent council budget. Write specifics of what it needed and how much. ● TDSB vendors only unless the money comes from a “social fund”. ● Reminder to promote usage of FlipGive as much as possible. ● Application submitted for a PRO grant to have an Art Night with an Indigenous artist. ● Working on a teacher appreciation event for December. ● Spiritwear is coming soon for students ● Starting discussions on a Playground refresh. ● Safety discussions with local police to address student crosswalk safety around the school. 	
7:55pm	New Business		
8:10pm	Adjournment	No council meeting in December, next meeting will be on Tues, Jan 18, 7pm - 8pm	

TREASURER'S REPORT

DATE PREPARED: November 26, 2021

FOR

SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING: November 30, 2021

REPORT PREPARED BY: Rosanne Brown

TRANSACTIONS				
Date	Transaction	Revenue	Expenses	Balance
October 25, 2021	BALANCE FORWARD			\$7,598.33
November 26, 2021	Available Balance			\$7,598.33

REVENUE FROM ONGOING ONLINE CAMPAIGNS				
Date	Item	Actual to Date	Notes	
November 26, 2021	FlipGive (2021-2022 school year)	\$142.76	Cheque to be issued at a decided time	
November 26, 2021	Mabel's Labels	\$5.60	Cheque issued after \$50 is reached	

APPROVED ALLOCATIONS				
Approved	Item	Amount	Notes	
November 18, 2020	SpiritWear	\$3,500	approximate	

AVAILABLE FUNDS	\$7,598.33
LESS FUNDS ALLOCATED BUT NOT YET SPENT (approximate)	\$3,500
AVAILABLE TO SPEND	\$4,098.33