

James Strath School Council

Minutes of Meeting

Wednesday May 30, 2018

Present: [Jessica Ryzynski \(Butler\)](#); [Trish Filipowicz](#); [Mandy Reedyk](#); [Tina Shedden](#); [Amy Clarke](#); [Lisa McGowan](#); [Melody Taylor](#); [Amanda Rochon](#); [Sarah Dunlop](#); [Colin Curlew](#); [Matt Gennings](#)

Guests:

Regrets: [Vicki Carmichael](#); [Heather Davidson](#); [Uzma Adnan](#); [Glen Payne](#); [Faiza Aleem](#)

Absent: [Faiga Khan](#); [Kathie Sawyer](#); [Donna Maw](#)

Item	Discussion	Action	Contact
1.0	Call to Order and Welcome 6:30pm		
2.0	Review and Approval of Agenda and Minutes		
2.1	Agenda for May 30, 2018 • Approval of Agenda – Motion Mandy, Second Jessica, Carried		
2.2	Minutes of April 11, 2018 • Approval of April 11 minutes – Motion Lisa, Second Trish, Carried		
3.0	Reports		

3.1	<p>School Report - Principal/Vice-Principal/Teacher Representative Reports</p> <p>Matt Gennings:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Floor hockey tourney, floor hockey league, badminton • EQAO final day May 31 • Bus safety presentations, Peterborough Utilities presentation • Recycle Rangers • Green up volunteering activities • Character Council water initiatives, litter-less lunch, yard sale • Talent show last week • Music Monday, Mr. Mackay • Several class trips planned • Track & Field at Crestwood a few weeks ago, some qualified for KPREAA • Baseball (3 pitch), ultimate frisbee, lacrosse seminars coming up • Volunteer tea; note parent/school council was not invited. • Crossing guard, Marilyn Jenkins retired • Gift suggested for Marilyn • Awards assembly (Gr. 1 to 7), Monday June 25, 8:30am • Figuring out award winners • Graduation is on June 26, clap out as well • Report cards June 27, last day for students June 28 • Mathletes, waiting on invoice and will be in contact with Janice Kennedy about it • Staffing, up a classroom, 29 for next year • Increased secretary, VP and SERT time for next year • List of current assignments; still confidential but will be made public next week. • Mrs. Hickey and Mrs. Van Staalduinen retiring • Amanda – Is there anything planned about a bike safety session • Thanks to parent council from Glen and Matt • Faiza – Issue about not enough fans available; need 2 fans per class. • Glen said he was taking care of fans • Matt will be VP for next year as well, full time; congratulations! 	<p>Matt Gennings to look into parent/school council not getting invited to volunteer tea</p>	
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3.2	<p>Treasurer's Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This is Mandy's last year; thanks for all of your hard work over the years and taking a lead role on many events and initiatives! • Mandy is handing the torch to Melody Taylor • Lots of money in account \$39563.80 • Over \$8K in dance-a-thon money still available • All items in budget moved into school funds • Mrs. Hickey and Mrs. V retiring • LTO Mr. McKinley moving on • Deb Conlin (EA) and Pierre Gagnon-Briere retired earlier as well • Suggested dedication of 8 books this year... including Tara Howard, Mrs. Lunn and Marilyn Jenkins • Mandy needs years of service for each dedication • Approval of Budget report – Motion Amy, Second Sarah, Carried 		
4.0	Business Arising		
4.1	Special Events Committee Report		
4.1.1	<p>Fundraising Proposal for 2018-19</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Proposal, need dates in place for next year • Open house TBD, hopefully prior to forms handed out for election • Fresh from the Farm, Angie willing to order...youngest child or only child for distribution of the forms or perhaps with the first newsletter, plus pizza and subway • Maximum number of orders is 200 for Fresh from the Farm; funds go to nutrition program; purpose will be a cheese cutter for nutrition program. • Dance-a-thon, teachers prefer late April, early May • Fundraising could be for a bench in front of school, logo on gym wall • Decide at beginning of year regarding dance-a-thon; would be on a Friday. • Staff appreciation day scheduled for June 7, 2018 • Amanda – Fleming College could do bench as project...just pay for material cost • Pizza and Subway lunches, each twice a month • Approval of Proposal – Motion Amanda, Second Mandy, Carried 		

4.1.2	Staff Appreciation Day <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Buffet type thing on June 7, while doing report cards • Are people able to help out?...donate, 2 veggie trays, 2 fruit trays • Lisa salad, Melody veggie tray, Tina fruit tray • Nut free • Want to get word out, could do call-out using Jes' voice 		
4.2	Book Fair <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Went fairly well • Total sales over \$4000; \$2230 credit for library books. • Small discrepancy of \$11 • Next year, more books needed for 7/8s • Mandy to mention above to Mrs. Monis • Margaret pulled \$372 more in books because second book fair for the year • Tina – next year, meet about book fair to spice it up a bit (fun stuff) • A lot of garbage products at fair this year • Dates need to be on forms 		
5.0	New Business		
5.1	Trustee/Superintendent/School Council Dinner Report <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Held on May 22, well received, at Baxter Creek • A number of topics • Indigenous history being integrated into curriculum • Secondary schools, how to improve student success • 47% go onto post secondary • Engaging in last years of school, dual credits • Apprenticeship etc. • A lot of e-learning courses which can be hosted from different areas...offer at one school and Skype • Teachers modifying based on student's needs • 86% of students got a diploma in 2017 		
5.2	Regional Council Meeting Report <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Upcoming meetings: October 23, 2018; December 4, 2018; February 19, 2019; April 30, 2019. • PK Subban's father, resilience, mental health • Enrollment improving 		
5.3	Board Draft Policy ES-1.1 – Safe, Caring and Restorative Schools <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cannabis vs. illegal drugs 		

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What constitutes suspensions? • More solid wording about bullying • Aggressive behaviour is defined • Use of technology and cyber bullying • School well-being team....chair must be staff member – read policy • Ratios of teachers and students not mentioned in board policy • Need to support kids when issues come up...to help identify and enforce issues • Like clarification of bullying and cyber bullying • Medical marijuana must be in pill form, has to come through office • Money does not have to be exchanged to consider trafficking 		
5.4	<p>Review of Board Policy B-7.2 Volunteers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New policy added • Discretion of school board • Help with tasks but not replacing staff work • Concern about student volunteers (e.g. lunch helping) • Could it be a sworn declaration vs. police check • Could a police check be every 2 years vs. every year • Don't fully agree with items 2.2 and 3.5 • Condition of service is good • Policy will be on board web site until June 30 --- • Teacher rep needs to be more consistent, could it be an EA 		
6.0	<p>Adjournment Motion to adjourn: Mandy Second: Everyone All in favour-adjourned Next School Council Meeting Wednesday October 3, 2018* at 6:30pm in the Library</p>		