



1 - Welcome & Call to Order – 6:02pm

Roll Call: Beth Stapleton, Lindsay Murray, Althea Allen, Tiffany Plant, Karley Doucette, Andrea Smith (P),Carolynn Hudson (T), Barkev Poladian (VP)

Regrets: Charlene Recker, Amanda Hague, Kristen Yanover, Tosha Lawson

2 – Introductions & Declaration of Conflict of Interest

None

3 – Elections/Nominations

- **Chair – Beth Stapleton (acclaimed)**
- **Secretary – Althea Allen (acclaimed)**
- **Treasurer – statement of financials will be prepared by clerical ahead of the meeting, and will be shared prior to next meeting. Lindsay Murray, Amanda Hague. (to be voted on)**
- **Opportunity for voting will be provided electronically. Results in shared Treasurer position between Amanda Hague and Lindsay Murray.**

4 - Treasurer's Report – \$9186.54

\$240 in payment to be debited for mask orders from that total.

School Council has provided a subsidy of \$10/student. Last year, that money was not used as field trips were cancelled. \$6185.27 has already been collected. – Motion to carry over that money for field trips this year. – Beth; Second – Lindsay. Motion carried.

5 - Correspondence (School Council Mailbox or Other)

Beth suggested we look at Purdy's Chocolatiers – Christmas catalogue available. This company has been around since 1907; sustainable cocoa sourcing, company is from British Columbia. If you spend \$1000, there is a 25% return on fundraising. Incremental profits on sales less than \$1000

No contamination, easy to transport and sort out for community pick up or transport. Before Christmas may be ideal.

Andrea cautioned about products that are not nut free as we are a nut aware school. Suggestion to email the company to obtain more information about pricing and products that are ideal for fundraising. Beth will follow up.

6 – Committee Identification

Discussion around past years where subcommittee's were formed but with a small group of members at the moment, it probably isn't feasible to do that at the current time. Andrea cautioned about fundraising opportunities at the moment (i.e. Harveys) that encourage large groups to come together. However, these opportunities can be quickly put together, so if Covid expectations and criteria from Public Health change, we can revisit.

7 – Principals Report

Field Trip funds (carryover and use): \$6, 185.27 (\$12 per student)

-Sports/Clubs have re-started for Jr./Intermediate: softball, cross country, soccer, badminton, Magic the Gathering and Dungeons and Dragons, Chess. Outdoor tournaments will begin in October.

-School Reorganization: Due to declining numbers, lost 1 teacher. Re-org to Gr. 1 and Gr. 3. All families on waitlist were offered a spot.

-Truth and Reconciliation Art Project: Gr. 6-8 shoe installation. Amazon gift card from last year's mask order used to purchase acrylic paint.

-Meet the Teacher: all teachers should have reached out to families by now. We will not be able to host an in-person event.

-School Council Insurance: purchase for this year? Approx. \$160.00

-Hot Lunch: working with Jola on a plan. Cannot have student helpers at this time.

-Fresh from the Farm fundraiser: online now until Oct. 8. Proceeds to snack program (which will start in October-twice/week). Curbside pick up will be arranged in November.

-Mask sales: so far 34 masks sold. Extend the deadline? Minimum is \$100.

School Cash - Oct 12

School Council Insurance – \$160.00/year.

Deadline is in early November. Cannot be purchased after. Motion to purchase School Council Insurance: Motion by: Beth, Seconded by: Althea, Tiffany and Lindsay.

Motion passed.

Questions from the Group:

Althea asked if parents will be able to be spectators for sporting events. Andrea responded that Information and specifics around this will be forthcoming.

Althea asked: Could we look into purchasing Orange Shirts for next year.

Andrea responded that we could proceed with this in a way that would support the Woodland Cultural Center. This year, the Woodland Cultural Center was unable to obtain

orange shirts. Additionally, we are a Downie Wenjack legacy school. Their website sells shirts for about \$30.00 but it was felt the price was too pricey to offer to our students for this year. We are hoping that next year, Woodland Cultural Center will be able to offer orange shirts, and that school council could have an opportunity to help to purchase or subsidize the cost.

Lindsay asked if student vaccinations would be a policy from the Board or the School.

Andrea replied that the Board would consult with public health and decisions about vaccinations for children. Information has not been provided to schools at this time. Andrea also shared that principals are not even privy to private vaccination information about the vaccination status of their staff.

Althea asked about student and teacher mental health.

Andrea replied that it seems for the most part everyone is happy to be back together. Although there are some students at our school exhibiting varying degrees of anxiety, staff are supporting. There has been a robust rollout of resources to teachers from our PSSP groups. CYW is also doing work in the primary classes around self regulation. We also were provided with extra learning resource teacher time. Even with Covid criteria in place, students are excited and happy to now able to participate in clubs, more varied gym activities, sports, singing in music, no cohorting at recess outside.

Everyone echoed that they are feeling good about the start up. Members shared positive stories about their children's feelings about coming back to school.

Beth will receive food tracker form from Andrea.

8-Adjournment & Next Meeting

Adjournment Motion: Althea Allen

Seconded: Karley Doucette.

Time: 7:08 pm

Next Meeting Date: October 20, 2021

Future Meetings: November 17, 2021
 January 19, 2022
 February 16, 2022
 March 23, 2022
 April 20, 2022
 May 18, 2022