

**Start time → 7:06 pm | End time → 8:46 pm**

**Attendees:**

*Dr. Malcolm Richmon; Maris Langer; Voula Kladis; Mandy Stenzler; Jennifer Leung; Homa Alammanesh; Sabrina Costa; Adelaide Nguyen; John Wong; Sherri Sbeih; Ravi Kumar; Abarm Bala*

1. Welcome
2. Review of Minutes (September 2019)
3. Approval of Agenda
4. Co-Chairs' Report (Maris and Voula)
  - Fun Fair-Thursday June 11<sup>th</sup> - Reviewing School Board's guidelines on bouncy castles.
  - School Spirit Wear - Sherri is making inquiries to Board approved vendors. Some samples that were seen: string bags, backpack, hat, jogging pants, shorts, t-shirt, sweatshirts, and hoodies.
  - Basketball nets
  - Triple P Presentations - Holding recurring seminars, and parenting workshops. The school can apply to host seminars. Members present reviewed and recommended seminars that they were interested in.
  - PRO Grant - Reviewing new Board application process.
  - Days of Awareness - Parents can submit suggestions on awareness days.
5. Treasurer's Report (Jennifer)
  - \$75.00 out for Community Fair Expense, Deposit for Magic Ian  
Sub lunches - \$2,116.54 has come in and \$1,241.60 has gone out.  
Total in the General account is \$24,132.25.
  - Pizza:  
\$570.78 more has come in and \$1,646.96 has gone out.  
Total in the pizza account \$5,528.56.
  - Total altogether \$29,660.81.  
\$14k is set aside for the Outdoor Classroom.
6. Principal's Report - October 2019 (Dr. Richmon)
  - Thank you's to all our School Council Members
    - o Co-Chairs
    - o Committee Chairs – Lunchtime Programs, Food, Outdoor Classroom, Fundraising, Community Events, Volunteers seeking out to help in Chairs we didn't have (Spirit Wear)
  - Fun Fair – June 11, 2019
    - o Contacted Principal at Thornlea S.S. to reserve location as 'backup'
    - o Contacted Bounce – Reserved them for 2 Hours (\$375.00)
  - Agendas – Aupel Purchased by Laurentien
    - o Cover error

- o \$60.00 Credit will be applied to our account.
- Labour Relations
  - o CUPE tentative agreement
    - Thanks for those who pitched in to help.
  - o ETFO
    - Any information will be shared out the same way.
- Site Work
  - o Ongoing City of Markham work in the front of the school.
  - o Bike Rack – rusted and removed – to be replaced (possibly in the Spring).
  - o Back Field cloth barrier coming through it point - Assistant Manager of Maintenance - took pictures to look further into it.
  - o Baseball Diamond - Assistant Manager of Maintenance – Doesn't mean it will or it won't, just inquiring - Council recommended it be maintained/restored.
- Acquisitions
  - o Cost Sharing has yet to open.
    - Chromebooks (and some iPads)
    - Robotics (Sphero, OSMO, Lego)
    - Document Cameras
    - Bluetooth Speakers
    - Sound System/Wireless Mics
    - Athletic Equipment/Athletic Wear for Teams
    - Math Resources/Manipulatives
- Some Professional Learning.
  - o One teacher - equity designate – attending an equity forum in November.
  - o Two teachers and Principal – Math Network (w/ Baythorn, Discovery, German Mills, Henderson, Johnsvill, Maple Creek, Michael Cranny).
  - o One teacher – Robotics (attendees get kits).
  - o One Teacher - *Well-Being Conference: Bringing Together Mental Health, Youth Voice and Healthy Schools* with four grade 6 students; prepared plan with public health nurse; focus last year on healthy eating (now three sources of healthy snack donations), this year focus on mindfulness (Mindful Minute) and/or active living (Walking Wednesday).
  - o School-wide – Addressing discrimination and discriminatory language
- Leadership Team
  - o Identified 8 Spirit Days: Rainbow Day, PJs and Stuffed Animals, Opposite Day, Twin Day, Camo Day, Sports Team Day, Star Wars Day, Canadian Spirit Day.
  - o Helped with Diwali decorations, as did parents in the community.
  - o Preparing decorative wreaths and poppies for Remembrance Day, emceeding assembly.
- Other upcoming 'things'
  - o Halloween (Pumpkin Decorating Contest – Please be sure to thank Longo's for donating them).
  - o Fall Dance November 8<sup>th</sup> – Tied into Food Drive.
  - o November 4 Assembly.
    - Food Drive
    - Well-being (either Mindful Minute/Walking Wednesday)
    - Golden Waste Bin
    - Lion's Name

- Tour for Humanity Bus
  - Impactful, on-the-go, and self-contained; this mobile classroom was designed to inspire and empower people to raise their voices and take action against hate and intolerance.
  - Program offering: **Simon's Story** Aimed at junior audiences, the goal of this workshop is to enhance elementary school students' ability to become proactive members of society by influencing positive change. Stereotypes, racism and prejudice are defined and discussed in an age-appropriate manner (*Suitable for Grades 3-6.*).
- Milk
  - Do we want it? Only modest participation in program and milk is available in other ways (Lunch Lady).

7. Update from School Council Executive Positions and Volunteer Recruitment

- Lunch time Programs Chair (Adelaide)
  - Next session: Soccer (might be on 2 days for different ages), Bricks Lego, Hip Hop, and looking into an art program.
- Lunch time Food Chair (Homa)
  - Golden Pretzel's are starting November 13th for 4 weeks. It will be posted next week.
  - Looking at Astoria for January 2020.
- Fundraising Chair (John)
  - School Wide Event-Winter Wonderland-February 21st
  - Looking for donations for the Winter Wonderland draw. Donors will receive a letter of appreciation.
- Community Chair (Sabrina)
  - Social events:
    - Movie Day: November 23<sup>rd</sup> or the 30th, \$16.00 includes concession kids' combo, breakfast and movie.
    - Skating: February 8<sup>th</sup>- Held at The Sports Village, located on Rutherford Road in Vaughan. The waiver will be posted online. Cost will include skating, hot chocolate and a snack.
- Outdoor Classroom Chair (Vaz not present)
  - A spot has been chosen for the outdoor classroom. The location is near the buddy bench, by the gravel walkway and asphalt, it will be easily accessible.
  - Currently requesting and reviewing quotes from Board approved vendors. Will be looking into funding and donations. The estimate cost is 15-20k

8. Other topics discussed:

- Fundraising funds: The need for new sports uniforms which would include pinnies, and t-shirts.
- Fall dance: November 8<sup>th</sup>. There will be no cost for students to attend the dance, though the students will be asked to kindly bring in non-perishable food items.
- Started today: The selling of cookies and popcorn.
- Classroom pumpkin decorating contest. The best class will win a prize provided by council.
- Looking into participating in Toy Mountain.