

Start time → 7:07pm – 7:52 pm

Attendees: Online Meeting

Dr. Malcolm Richmon; Voula Kladis; Mandy Stenzler; Homa Alammanesh; Jennifer Leung; Adelaide Nguyen; Sabrina Costa; Sherri Sbeih; Elena Haramis; Andrea Chow.

1. Welcome
2. Review of Minutes (December 2020)
3. Approval of Agenda
4. Co-Chairs' Report (Voula, Jennifer)
 - Virtual Cooking Class-Saturday January 16th, 2021
 - Kathy from Cook Smart ran a great session.
 - Went very well, was a lot of fun, it was great.
 - PRO Grant Night-Thursday April 29th 6:30pm
 - \$500 was received, cost will be \$500.
 - Looking for something hands on instead of coding.
 - STEAM virtual night will be a Lemon Volcano experiment.
 - Interactive kits are available for an extra cost that council will cover.
 - 22 Families have signed up so far.
 - Cookbook – Mandy
 - The rough draft of the cookbook is completed. Currently being edited.
 - It is looking great.
 - A student contest took place for the cover page. Over 70 entries. The students voted for their favourite cover. The voting took place today, April 1st, 2021.
 - Final Farewell Committee
 - Schools with graduations may consider virtual or drive through options. The grade six class leaving will look for farewell options.
 - Will be waiting until after the lockdown to revisit.
5. Treasurer's Report (Elena)
 - Opening balance \$17,471.35
 - General account \$15,540.54
 - Expense virtual cooking class \$254.25
 - Closing balance \$14,195.89
 - Pizza Fund Balance: \$ 3,021.21
 - Grand Total: \$17,217.10
6. Principal's Report – April 1, 2021 (Dr. Richmon)
 - As always, thank you to all our School Council!
 - School Site
 - Field Damage
 - Original sodding not taking as well as we'd hoped.
 - Option to close field for the season rejected.
 - Damage from Snow Plow.
 - Landscaping Services patching and re-sodding.
 - Baseball Diamond
 - Some renewed student interest in baseball.
 - Landscaping requested to level ground (and fresh grade, if possible).
 - Plant services notified of disrepair of fence.

- Bike Rack
 - Replaced; earlier bike rack removed in Fall of 2019 after decades of wear.
- Municipal Playground
 - Still closed to student use during the school day.
- Discouraging families to congregate before and after school.
- Acquisitions
 - Technology reconciliation and redeployment.
 - Almost all technology returned and redeployed, as needed.
 - Some technology will need replacing.
 - ‘Other’ outcomes of pivoting to online learning.
 - Wider use of GAPPs Suite.
 - Commitment to ongoing investment in technology and Chromebook.
 - Document cameras added to all computer carts.
- Possible Future Acquisitions
 - Technology items (Chromebooks/iPads)
 - Cost Sharing ‘paused’ this year.
 - Ongoing loaning of technology.
 - Digital Projectors (HDMI inputs vs. VGA), older media cart projectors will need replacing in the years ahead.
 - Math Resources and Manipulatives.
 - Robotics.
 - Bluetooth Speakers.
 - Athletic Uniforms.
 - Regional acquisitions.
 - Digital tools continue to be accessible through regional licensure though not perpetually (e.g. Phase 1 Raz Plus, PM Series).
 - New assessment for learning tools purchased (2020 PM Kit and 2020 DRA Kit).
- School Based Items
 - February was last entry point for changes from F2F to EVS and vice versa.
 - Small overall intake of students.
 - Not of impact on our school model.
 - Uncertainty around possible closures ahead.
 - Proactive preparations to enable a smooth pivot to online learning if needed.
 - Launched inFORM (supporting attendance and safe arrival program).
 - Ongoing Emphasis on COVID-19 Mitigation.
 - Policies.
 - Protocols.
 - Successes and challenges.
 - Province suggested enhanced measures upon return from April break.
 - Ongoing Daily Provincial Reporting.
 - Possibility of Ministry of Labour Visitation.
 - Preliminary planning for next year – process is ongoing.
 - New Registrants.
 - Kindergarten Registration Open (please share!).
 - 15 JKs Registered.

- 4 new SKs Registered.
 - In-school enhancements.
 - We finished student 'Jeopardy'.
 - We finished Mystery Puzzle (Ice Cream Day!).
 - Student Nowruz.
 - World Down Syndrome Day (Rock Your Socks Campaign).
 - Raise the Flag for Autism.
 - Pathway Transition for Grade 6's to German Mills P.S.
 - Staffing.
 - Two new lunchtime supervisors hired, now at full complement.
 - Healthy Eating Program.
 - Expanded to four food groups, though predominantly fruit and vegetable, occasionally dairy and whole grain snacks.
 - Received an additional \$1,500 from SNP.
 - Received an additional \$500 from President's Choice.
 - Received additional food items and vouchers from participating vendors.
 - Met as Family of Schools.
 - Focus on Dismantling Anti-Black Racism Strategy (full strategy and report available online).
 - Continued Regional Emphasis on Underserved/Underperforming Students.
 - Culturally Relevant and Responsive Pedagogy.
 - Assessment for Learning.
 - Use of new toolkits (and improved features).
 - Well-Being.
 - Ongoing area of focus – daily activities related to wellbeing in one of the following areas: stress management and coping; identification and management of emotions, positive motivation and perseverance, healthy relationship skills, self-awareness and sense of identity, and creative and critical thinking.
 - New COVID-19 Child Benefits will be forthcoming (from 2021 Ontario Budget) of \$400 for each child up to Grade 12, \$500 for each child up to 21 with special needs.
 - Automatic for those who accessed the earlier Support for Learners program.
 - [Ontario.ca/SupportforLearners](https://ontario.ca/SupportforLearners) has more information.
- 7.0 Update from School Council Executive Positions and Volunteer Recruitment
- 7.1 Lunch time Programs Chair (Adelaide - On Hold)
- 7.2 Lunch time Food Chair (Homa - On Hold)
- Are private schools governed the same way that public schools are? Some private schools are still using Kids Kitchen during the pandemic.
 - Private and public schools are under different auspices.
 - There are no food sales, but we are continuing the healthy snacks program.
- 7.3 Fundraising Chair (Sherri) (Fundscript)
- There will be a push on Fundscript.
 - We inform Fundscript when we want to cash out.

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- At the end of the year, we will discuss bringing the money over to the school.
- 7.4 Community Chair (PRO-Grant night/Outdoor movie – drive in)
- Outdoor movie.
 - Waiting to hear back from the theatre.
 - Not sure if they are closed, will reach out again to get some information.
- 7.5 Principal Profile (Amanda)
- Completed.

Upcoming meetings

Thursday May 27th, 2021