

St. Elizabeth School Council Minutes - Monday, October 22, 2018 @ 6:30pm

In Attendance

EXECUTIVE	MEMBERS AT LARGE		
Alison Wills (Chair) Jo Goossens (Principal) Michelle Bowman (Treasurer) Jennifer Newton (Fundraising) Sheri Urquhart (Spirit) Colleen MacDonald (Secretary)	Constance Guglielmo Danielle Thibeault Kim Zilinski Sheri Urquhart	Leigh Anne Simpson Lindsay Reis Lori Humphrey Nelly Osmar	Nicole Nedelko Pauline Martin Sigrid Collas Tara Patterson

Welcome and Prayer

Meeting called to order at 6:30pm with an opening prayer.

Treasurer – Michelle

Current balance = \$2220.04

Fundraising Review – Alison

Halloween Dance Update:

- Thank you for responding to request for email voting
- Superman in school was a huge success. He will attend morning of the Halloween Dance along with Ant Man
- Superman will deliver the chrome book to the winner
- Pledge forms due October 29th
- Grade 8's will return theirs October 25th prior to their Camp Brebeuf trip
- Flag grade 8 teachers to remind them to return early
- Schedule grade 8's for the last time slot on day of the dance
- Kids to line the gym to welcome grade 8's back from Camp Brebeuf
- Help required to count raffles on the 29th
- Ballots will go back in the envelop
- Newswire to be used to send out communication regarding pricing for popcorn and yogurt tubes
- Participants who dance will get glo sticks (Sheri will pick these up)
- Volunteers are encouraged to come in costume
- Following are a list of volunteers (thanks to all):
 - Nelly (anytime)
 - Sheri (littles)
 - Lindsay (anytime)
 - Pauline (early or end of day)
 - Terry (early)
 - Constance (littles)
 - Nicole (gr 1's)
- Winners drawn next morning

Spirit - Sheri

- Poster contest 96 participants
- 3 winners (hang all 3 framed posters in Atrium)
- Featured in yearbook
- Run contest again next year and use winner as the cover for the yearbook
- Intermediate sweatshirts for gr 8 Camp Brebeuf trip are available now to order through Spirit Wear
- All other Spirit Wear will be available soon. Samples in school after dance a thon. Ready for Christmas.

Upcoming Spirit Days

Date	Event
Sept 24 th – October 2 nd	School poster contest
Friday September 28 th	Orange shirt day
Friday October 5th	Spirit wear / school colours

Wednesday October 31 st	Wear orange/ black or a costume
Friday November 9 th	Wear red/ black, Poppies
Thursday November 22 nd	Jersey Day/sports shirt & suspenders / Mr. Sitko remembrance
Week of December 17 th – 21 st	Candy cane guessing contest
Friday December 21 st	Christmas wear/ Red and green
Friday January 18 th	Bubble gum blowing contest & 80's day
Thursday February 14 th	Wear red, pink and hearts
Wednesday February 27 th	Pink shirt day (anti-bullying)
Tuesday March 5 th	Pancake Tuesday
Thursday March 7 th	Pajama day
Wednesday March 20 th	Wear Green and yellow
Thursday April 11 th	Wacky hair and clothes day
Week of April 15 th to 18 th	Easter / Spring door decorating contest
Wednesday April 24 th	School yard cleanup, Wear blue and green
Friday May 10 th	Backwards day
Week of June 17 th – 21 st	Hespeler rocks
Friday June 28 th	Red, white, Canada wear Popsicle day

Every Wednesday is spirit wear / school colours day unless something else is happening that day.
(school pictures, other spirit days)

Dates TBD:

- Talent show
- Mission Day
- Christmas concert

Valentine's Dance and Silent Auction

- Will happen this year as planned but Principal suggested we reconsider in 2020.
- Concerns from teachers and principal that the Valentine's dance and evening auction is at a time of year when teachers are particularly busy therefore Jo suggested that the dance change to a dance a thon during the school day with no silent auction. To be reviewed by School Council later in the school year.
- Another idea put forward was to have have a family social on another date to try to continue to build community
- Halloween dance in October
- Book photo booth for February 7th to secure date. Will review on committee whether it is worthwhile
- Valentine's Dance Committee:
 - Alison
 - Kim
 - Leanne
 - Jen
 - Sheri
 - Danielle
 - Pauline

Questions

- **Yearbook**
 - Ann Marie Boll heading production of yearbook
 - Student engagement
 - Lifetouch used
 - Any pictures you have you can send to yearbook committee
- **Newsletter**
 - Council member's have vocalized concerns about communication. Questions raised about not having a newsletter; concerns about receiving updated communication for things such as sports teams, knowledge of wins ect.
 - Principal stated that they will no longer be distributing a monthly newsletter due to amount of work it entails
 - Calendar can be accessed through St. Elizabeth website (ensure that the online calendar is correct)
 - Calendar may be added to some smartphones and is also printable

This Year's Plans:

- Projected Revenue:
 - Halloween Dance a thon \$4000.00 (net)
 - Valentine's Dance \$5000.00 (net)
- Commitments and Motion
 1. Portable Brite Links (awaiting quote)
 2. Leggo Wall (awaiting quote)
 3. Exercise Bike for sensory room \$700 allocated M-Laurie S- Sheri - motion approved by council
 4. Chimes for Christian Meditation (\$22x17=\$375) allocated \$375 M - Colleen S - Pauline – motion approved by council
 5. Catholic Charities \$200 allocated M- Jen S – Michelle –motion approved by council
 6. School Agendas – PIC grant to cover cost
 7. Support for Marginalized allocated \$500 M - Colleen S - Sheri – motion approved by council
 8. Grade 8 grad – allocated \$250 – M - Leanne S - Danielle –motion approved by council
 9. Uniforms – allocated \$500 to add larger sizes. Use same company. Needed immediately. M - Alison S- Sheri – motion approved by council
 10. Landscaping – allocated \$300 M - Danielle S - Sheri – motion approved by council
 11. Guest Speakers – allocated \$1400 of which \$650 for Dr. Jen Umbrella Project is included. M- Kim S- Pauline

Principal's Update – Jo Goossens

- SIPSA – now on school website
 - Access via <https://stelizabeth.wcdsb.ca/wp-content/uploads/sites/53/2018/10/St.-Elizabeth-SIPSA.pdf>
 - Twitter used to communicate information as well as newswire
 - Encourage parents to access school website for information
- Class review almost complete
 - Jo meeting individually with each teacher to check in to determine if there are any students they are particularly worried about or anyone who is underachieving
 - My Blueprint is replacing Career Cruising

School Council Meeting Dates for 2018-19

- All meetings start at 6:30pm
- Oct 22, Nov 26, Jan 28, Feb 25, April 29

Next Council Meeting: Nov 26th, 2018 @ 6:30pm in the Learning Commons (School library)