

November 1<sup>st</sup> 2022 @ 6:30pm

**In Attendance**

<p>Janet Foote – Principal Tawn Robinson – Teacher rep Jennifer Allore Nicole Nedelko Melissa Laird-Arroyo Monique Hall</p>	<p>Jason Urquhart Sheri Urquhart Stephanie Arruda Tasha Richardson Michelle Scott Kim Whalen – YWCA rep</p>	
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**Regrets**

<p>Alison Wills Greg Crane Angela Naval Lauren Apolinario Denise Todoroff</p>	<p>Kim Zilinsky Kim Kummer Marta Jurys Pauleen Wilson</p>	
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**Welcome and Prayer:**

Meeting called to order at 6:30pm and we were led in a prayer.

Agenda Item		Notes
<p><b>Review of minutes by all council members</b></p>		<p>Motion presented to accept the minutes by Jennifer Seconded by Stephanie and motion carried</p>
<p><b>Treasurer</b></p>	<p>Stephanie</p>	<p>Did not receive the report in time for the meeting. Janet looked up the balance in fundraising account: \$200.03 for peace garden DJ for dance \$510.80 for a total spent of 710.83 Started at \$13,532.19 Today we're sitting at \$13,021.39 Presentation by Michelle re: peace garden</p>

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- bought geraniums for the kids to plant</li> <li>- Pulled out tetherball game so they bought soil to fill this area and plant the flowers</li> <li>- Also bought horse trough for vegetable garden and planted carrots, radishes, tomatoes</li> <li>- Thoughts for the future – adding benches around trees</li> </ul> <p>Strong Start Program Information: parents getting training on how to deliver help for students to work on literature programs in SK and Grade 1 usually. Requesting council to please spread the word to people who might be great at helping the students and join the program as volunteers</p>
<b>Spirit</b>	Janet	
<b>Fundraising/ Community</b>	Janet	<p>Confirm that we had decided on Family Valentines Dance. Sheri said that we used to bring in \$5-6k but some activities may not be allowed anymore without cash. Discussing perhaps buying bulk tickets beforehand and using tickets at actual event. Silent Auction might be biggest producer of funds.</p> <p>-Jennifer brought back up the question of whether we NEED to fundraise or if we are going to spend the money we currently have.</p> <p>-Janet does not yet have a wish list written up but some thoughts – it would not take much to spend \$10k in this school. One thought was a 3D Printer in the library for kids to build things. Looking at probably \$3-4k for a quality 3D printer. Good idea to embrace the coding and robotics way of things these days. Tasha R asked how much to maintain the printer. Jason suggested approx. \$20 for a big roll of filament. Inksmith is where a lot of the board has been getting printers from.</p> <p>Tawn – speaking of the lack of shade in primary area and needing more shaded areas because trees died.</p> <p>Janet to come back for next meeting with some potential ideas for spending current money on things for the school.</p> <p>Jason asked for a wish list from both Janet and the teachers for next meeting to present to council. Tasha mentioning that if we have a list for teachers then we can keep eyes open for things coming available (ie: horse trough, we could have kept an eye out for used ones to help the school).</p> <p>Janet asking for an outline/projection for our fundraiser efforts. Last Valentines Day Event was \$5-6k using cash. This year if we don't have cash, then projecting approx. \$3500 for the event. Looking into if there's a way to do Interac Tap at the event.</p> <p>Second fundraiser discussion: discussing the card boxes again. Stephanie suggested a company Amazing Fundraising in Vaughan.</p> <p>Question proposed how many fundraisers can we do in a year? Valentines Event is a "community event" so it didn't count as a fundraising effort according to Jason U. Janet thinks it's 2 allowed a year.</p> <p>Discussing to maybe do the food fundraisers this year since we haven't done it at St. Eliz for a few years. Tawn looks up costs: \$6 per pizza kit goes to the school, they also have cookie doughs and</p>

		<p>such. Concerns expressed for the amount of work to organize distribution of orders.</p> <p>Shelf the pizza kits idea until another meeting for a later-in-the-year fundraiser (approx. March? Springtime?)</p> <p>Projecting the Valentine's Day event \$3500, a Spring Fling Dance-A-Thon, roughly \$3000, and the pizza kit fundraiser roughly \$2000.</p>
<p><b>Equity Update</b></p>	<p>Janet</p>	<p>Overview: focusing on equity and diversity training. All schools being asked to come up with an equity statement. Janet is wanting to spend more time learning how we can best promote an equitable culture and we aren't ready to make our statement yet. They will continue to dig deeper into this topic and when the staff gets a bit of a handle on the concept, Janet would like to bring a draft statement to council and get our input. Jason asks if council could get the same training on equity. Janet suggesting she show a training video (5 mins) at each council meeting.</p> <p>-Sheri has 26 chrysalis she would love to adopt out these to each class and the kids can watch them turn into a butterfly. Sheri going to write up a little information for the teachers</p> <p>-Stephanie explained an Angel Tree concept – Ask parents to get a gift cards and they're hung on the tree. Work with the parish for families in need and the Parish would distribute the gift cards to the families who can then buy presents for Christmas. Suggest to reach out to the Parish and see if there is even a need, and how much of a need for something like this. Tawn will work with Lizzie on getting the student leadership group to combine it with the Christmas food drive for St Vincent de Paul.</p>

**Next Meeting: December 6th**

Set a date for the Spring Fling dance End of April? Middle of May?  
 Decide on pizza kits or not.  
 Valentines Dance Date was Feb 9<sup>th</sup> 2023.