

SCC Meeting Minutes

Highbush Public School – School Council Meeting February 3, 2025

The SCC Meeting was called to order by: Grace Damian (SCC Chair) at 6:14 pm

New Highbush Parent joins meeting as a 'sit in' – Ramandeep

Regrets: Marcia, Sarah, Lauren

Land Acknowledgement: Grace

Meeting Minutes:

Meetings will be circulated after the meeting, approval will be given via email and once ratified, will be posted to school website

Grace motions to approve Report

- *Lindsey seconds motion*
- *Majority votes in favour and December's meeting minutes are approved*

Principal Report

- Our PLP classes attended Special Olympics Event
- Our Grades 1-3 partnered with Pickering Public Library - Coding- lots of amazing feedback from students and families.
- A variety of extracurricular activities have taken or are taking place: Cricket just finished, basketball (playdowns) we are hosting the Boys Area Playdown course, EcoClub, Art Club, Student Leadership, Black Student Voices Club,
- Update regarding Area Track and Field, due to safety concerns it won't run this year
- Our School is engaged in Black History month learning
- Report Cards will be available February 19th online, connect with your child
- We have a guest speaker, Maryanne Oketch, Survivor winner, former DDSB student will do a presentation end of February Grades 1-8, teachers have been provided with some Survivor (class building activities) to engage in before the presentation
- March Break - begins Friday March 7-14. School will return on March 17th
- Ontario Tech Engineering - Presentations begin later this week for our K, 4-8 presentations
- Pink Shirt Day - Feb. 26
- Grad photos on February 20th
- SOAR assemblies February 26
- Awaiting the information from the Board regarding the Boundary Review and will share with school community when we have it

Peter motions to approve Principal's Report

- *Caroline seconds motion*
- *Majority votes in favour and Principal report is approved*

Sharon motions to re-appropriate the funds from high-jump equipment to glass backboards (\$7661.40) where the SCC contribution will be \$3830.70

- *Sandra seconds motion*
- *Majority votes in favour and motion is passed*

Teachers Report

- Nothing to report new since December's meeting although SCC provided breakfast was very appreciated

Caroline motions to approve Report

- *Sharon seconds motion*
- *Majority votes in favour and Teacher's report is approved*

Treasurers Report

- Current balance – \$7909.23
- Teacher raffle baskets were a success - \$1600.47 profit
- Concert VIP seating/parking Raffle: \$430.08 profit
- Valentine – grams coming out in February

Fundraising:

- Sandra will be given Amazon link to Angela to make the order

Sandra motions to purchase soccer nets for ~\$307 to be installed in the spring

- *Peter seconds motion*
- *Majority votes in favour and motion is passed*

Fundraising Committee

- Proposal to have a 'Raise the Dough' event with Dominos once again on April 10th (Sandra will confirm with Ali) – if not, Thursday April 3rd
- Krispy Kreme is scheduled for Wednesday May 8th with sales opening March 30th until April 22nd on School Cash Online
 - Krispy Kreme (\$8 per dozen is what we pay, SCC sold at \$13.50/box or 2 for \$25)
- Freezies on May 23, May 30, June 5, June 13, June 20
 - Track and Field day will have another cold 'snack' on School cash online
- May 8th – Art night at Highbush and Lindsay will work with teachers to build Spring baskets and put them on display
 - Basket raffles will be put online on April 25th and close May 12th on School Cash Online

Peter motions to approve Fundraising Report

- *Grace seconds motion*
- *Majority votes in favour and Treasurer's report is approved*

Family Engagement Committee

- Goodlife Pickering Ridge (Mika – Melissa and Grace met with her)
- Zumba & Neon Yoga to be presented
 - April 3rd (Neon Yoga)& 10th (Zumba) – (5:30-6:30pm & 7-8pm)
 - Manager wants to do something collaboratively with the SCC and have the Goodlife team come in and chat about health and healthy living with maybe March 17th being the day
 - 60 individuals per session
 - Donation will be done (minimum \$5/family) to grant access to this event
 - Family engagement community will engage student leadership to drive marketing materials to augment 'official' Highbush marketing

Grace motions to host the Goodlife event

- *Caroline seconds motion*
- *Majority votes in favour and event will be held*

Governance Committee

- Still being led by Peter
- Need to amend constitution to require that only the 3 executive roles need to be present for votes to pass

Grace motions to approve report

- *Sharon seconds motion*
- *Majority votes in favour and committee report is approved*

Other Business

- February 21st is deadline for board to create survey on school leadership
- Grace will compile answers to the questions and submit on the SCC's behalf

Motions

All motions are mentioned in the above document in RED print

Meeting adjourned at 7:32pm

Next meeting scheduled for February 3, 2024 @6pm