

**Highbush -School Community Council (SCC – parent council) -
Meeting Minutes**

Date: Thursday November 4, 2021

Time: 6:30pm -8:00pm

Location: Google Meet

Minutes by: Sara Williams (Recording Secretary)

SCC Members: Sadiya Mohamed (Co-Chair), Laura Ceausu (Co-Chair), Sandra Gray, Sara Williams, Marc Casimir, Preet Jaswal, Sharon D’Souza, Susan Mahabir, Caroline Pratt, Eyvone Williams, Kristina Ali, Julia Gall, James Blair, Angelica Espitia, Betty Makis, Valerie Brooks (Principal), Markus Vaisanen (Vice-Principal), Lindsay Avison (Teacher Liaison)

In Attendance: Valerie Brooks , Markus Vaisanen, Lindsay Avison, Sadiya Mohamed, Laura Ceausu, Sara Williams, Lindsay Avison, Susan Mahabir, Julia Gall, Marc Casimir, Sharon D’Souza, Eyvone Williams, Angelica Espita, Betty Makis, James Blair

Regrets: Susan Mahabir, Kristina Ali, Sandra Gray, Preet Jaswal, Caroline Pratt,

Agenda Items:

SPEAKER	ITEMS	
Lindsay Avison	LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT	
Valerie Brooks	Principal’s Report -IEPs sent out -Report Cards go out Wednesday November 10 th ; interviews schedule for Thurs and Fri -Treaty week- students are learning about Indigenous peoples, Truth and Reconciliation, -staff working on using culturally relevant resources to engage students; also looked at environmental stressors in classroom, recognizing own bias, virtual diverse children's bookshelf School Climate Survey- Based on parent, student input, Highbush was ranked a safe space, low rates of bullying but a higher incidence of verbal bullying which will be a focus this year	

	<p>Outdoors classroom - \$12 000 quote</p> <p>Pizza was a success with 400 slices - Will include dairy free and gluten free options beginning in December (November orders are done for the month)</p> <p>Durham District School Board - has a shortage of supply teachers but looking to hire more; uncertified teachers will be hired through interview process; must have post secondary degree and experience working with children</p>																							
<p>Lindsay Avison</p>	<p>Teacher's Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Teachers signed up to prepare raffle baskets -Mr. Leach confirmed pickleball sets are for both indoor and outdoor use - Leadership Group - Group of students that meet regularly to help create a positive school climate - Monday morning announcements, posters, PowerPoint presentations, spirit days that are inclusive of all cultures <table border="1" data-bbox="553 1087 1182 1518"> <thead> <tr> <th style="background-color: #ffcccc;">Christmas/Holiday</th> <th style="background-color: #ccffcc;">Spring</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Game Night – Marlatt/Peter</td> <td>Sensory Toy – Donnelly/Hall</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Hot Chocolate – LeBlanc</td> <td>Theme – TBA - Ewing</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Junior Writing Basket – Avison</td> <td>Junior Writing Basket - Avison</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Primary Reading – Ovenell</td> <td>Primary Reading - Ovenell</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Movie Theatre – Neale/Chan</td> <td>Beach Theme – Coulter/Wideman</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Fast Food – Cosway/Hanessian</td> <td>Lego Theme – Wilson/Hewlett</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Winter Tech Theme - Walker/Young</td> <td>Sports Theme - Leach</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Animal Theme - Wilkinson</td> <td>Ice Cream Sundaes – Tambler/Fernandez</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>Arts/Crafts Theme – Prince/Thomas</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>TBA Theme – Tipson/Grinnell</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Christmas/Holiday	Spring	Game Night – Marlatt/Peter	Sensory Toy – Donnelly/Hall	Hot Chocolate – LeBlanc	Theme – TBA - Ewing	Junior Writing Basket – Avison	Junior Writing Basket - Avison	Primary Reading – Ovenell	Primary Reading - Ovenell	Movie Theatre – Neale/Chan	Beach Theme – Coulter/Wideman	Fast Food – Cosway/Hanessian	Lego Theme – Wilson/Hewlett	Winter Tech Theme - Walker/Young	Sports Theme - Leach	Animal Theme - Wilkinson	Ice Cream Sundaes – Tambler/Fernandez		Arts/Crafts Theme – Prince/Thomas		TBA Theme – Tipson/Grinnell	
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<p>Marc Casimir</p>	<p>Treasurer's Report</p>																							

	<p>SUMMARY:</p> <p>Funds carried over + 3884.59</p> <p>Proposed expenditures - 2644.31</p> <p>Revenue + 561.98</p> <p>Balance remaining = +1802.26</p>	
<p>Co-Chairs (Laura & Sadiya)</p>	<p>Highlights From October Meeting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Vandermeer's (Laura) - Not doing plants this year and are only doing gift cards. Will look into this more next year when they do plants again. ● Fundscrip (Caroline) - Ms. Brooks will send out hardcopy flyers as well as an email with a list of gift cards available. ● Popsicle Day (Sandra) - Was a success. Raised \$460. ● Raffle Baskets (Ms. Avison) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Teachers to have baskets ready and given to Ms. Avison by November 24th - Ms. Avison will take pictures of each basket and will send images to Sadiya by November 24th - Sadiya will prepare pdf poster and send it to Ms. Brooks by November 25th - Ms. Brooks will send out poster with Sunday email (November 28th) -Ms. Brooks will talk to Ms Brosnan to set up school cash -Tickets are \$5 for 3 tickets or \$2 for 1 -Students will be given tickets to place in baskets at the library -Draws will be done on December 15th -Still need to figure out how family members/ other winners will be distinguished from students who got the tickets under their name (<i>email sent to SCC regarding this</i>) ● Chip and/or popcorn day. Popcorn \$1.15 per bag (Kernal's). Chips \$0.40 a bag 	

	<p>(Costco) - Sadiya on behalf of Sandra -Treat of the month starting in January</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Fidget/Pop-it toys - fundraising option for 2022 (Sadiya) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On hold until the new year ● Food drive and hat/mitten drive still on 	
Laura Ceausu	<p>New Business</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Cookie Dough - Mom's Pantry (Cookie Dough & Muffin Batter Options) Motion passed <p>-Account is set up -Sadiya to give Ms. Brooks pdf flyer before Monday November 15th -Ms. Brooks will send separate email to families with Sadiya's flyer with step by step instructions Monday November 15th -Last day for orders will be November 24th</p>	
Items for December Meeting		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Sophia's Book - Fundraising Ideas for outdoor classroom (Julia G. will send out PDF for committee to see) -December meeting ● Decide on treats of month ● Big Box of Cards 	
	Meeting Adjourned	

**Next SCC Meeting - Save the date!*

December 2 , 2021

