



BEECHWOOD HOME & SCHOOL ASSOCIATION

MINUTES FROM MEETING HELD: September 24, 2015 starting at 7:05pm

PRESENT : Mr. Hayter (Principal), Tracey Klinger, Paula Cholewa, Stacey Katsichtis, Jen Robinson, Hilary Ludwick, Laura Pizzolitto, Robyn Pascal, Gina Colaciello, Kim Hannah, Candice Spector, Sandra Asehour, Tara Morin, Teresa Zappone, Tara Jesion, Lynn Goyetche, Ann Zilberbrant, Angela Bardosh, Ilana Mayoff, Neesa Harroche, Mike Finkel

Budget

Last year H&S started with \$27,053.12 at the beginning of the year. This year we are starting off the school year with \$25,467.47.

The treasurer Stacey Katsichtis gave a brief overview of what the money was allocated to last year and what items are usually fixed every year.

Last year the money raised from the skate-o-ton was donated to the Pat Roberts Centre. They have yet to cash the cheque. It was voted that we will inquire with them what has happened as we would still like to give them the \$292.35. Gina will follow up with the centre.

The following are the items that remain fixed:

H& S membership fee to the QFHSA of \$104

Bank fees \$150

Teacher Convention (17 teachers) \$1700 * it was noted that only 13 of 18 teachers used their \$100.

Teacher Appreciation Week \$650

Grad sweatshirts (\$10 x37 students) \$370

Grad trip \$1850 ?? (This will depend on whether or not there is a grad trip this year)

End of year picnic \$3000

Jungle Sport for 5 days \$4250

Field trip subsidy \$2440 (dependant on whether or not there will be field trips this year)

Skate-o-thon \$900

The following are the wish list of H&S and Mr. Hayter:

3 Buddy benches for the school yard \$1500
Robotics kits \$600
Movie License?
Refurbish and tuning of piano for music dept. \$200
Balance balls for gr.2 class \$100
Banner for Beechwood community garden \$150
Pop up tent with Beechwood logo for sport events \$300-\$500
40 Jerseys for school events \$770
Mini Fridge for library \$150
Play to perform at school for students \$750
Smart board for library \$5000
3 Chrome books \$750

It was voted that all of the above items would be accepted except for the following:

The movie license will not be purchased this year due to lack of participation at movie night. The school will still purchase the license for daytime use. Should H&S decide to hold a movie night, we will arrange to pay for use of the license.

It was decided that the jerseys will not be purchased at this time, since it is still undetermined if there will be any outings this year.

It was decided that we will hold off on buying a smart board or Chrome books until pricing is confirmed.

Craft fair

The craft fair will be held on Saturday October 24th from 10-3pm. Neesa will be spearheading this fundraiser. To date she has booked 4 vendors who will each buy a table at \$40. She has many other interested vendors. She would like to form a subcommittee of volunteers to help run the fundraiser and sell food at the fair.

We will also have a babysitting service at the fair where parents can drop their kids off with a grade 6 student while they shop.

We will also have a room of garage sale items, and used books.

Halloween fundraiser

It was proposed that we collect money while trick or treating to fundraise for a young girl with Leukemia. This will require a committee that will collect all the boxes and count all of the money.

Dogwoods, Pizza, Ice cream

Again this year we will have the dogwoods and pizza lunch fundraisers. Forms will be sent home this week so that the first lunch can begin on Oct.6th.

Candice will be in charge of Dogwoods, and Ilana will once again run the pizza lunches.

It was discussed whether or not to offer MENCHIES or TCBY this year. TCBY has guaranteed that it is not free, but it comes in a smaller size. It was suggested to forgo both of these options, and consider selling Chapman's ice cream cups instead. This would significantly reduce the cost to parents. There is a facility in Vaudreuil. Ilana will inquire about the Chapman's option. It will have to be approved by governing board.

It was also brought up that some parents cannot afford to offer these options to their children. The forms will indicate that payment options can be discussed for those families.

Catalogue fundraiser

A new fundraiser was brought to the table this year. This was approved by governing board already. Catalogues with various products will be sent home to parents to order from. The orders will be shipped to the school for distribution. This fundraiser requires little effort on our part, but we will receive a % of sales.

Scholastic book fair

The Scholastic book fair will be held the week of November 17th and spearheaded by Teresa.

Uniforms

There was some discussion about the possibility of changing the school dress code to navy shirts instead of white. Another option that was discussed was navy and white polo shirts with the Beechwood logo. This will be discussed later in the year and presented to governing board for approval for next year.

The next H&S meeting will be held on October 29th at 7pm.

Meeting adjourned at 8:37pm.

(1st Hilary, 2nd Stacey, all in favor)