

# Highland Heights Public School

## School Council Meeting

February 26, 2018

Recorded By: Kathryn Wood

Present: Drew Beaton (Principal), Kathryn Wood (Teacher Rep), Susan Allan (CUPE rep), Ruth Rusaw (Council Chair), Kayla Parks (Treasurer), Angela Caban (member), Laurie Marshall (member)

Absent: Samantha Wilkie, Judy Stanley-Hogan, Lorraine Brown, Tracey Davidson, Sara Plumley, Wendy Couper, Shannon Scott, Michelle Grant

Call to order 6:34.

### Presentation by Green-Up.

NeighbourPLAN – Jackson Park to Brookdale area.

NeighbourPLAN is an exciting opportunity to connect with neighbours on how to create the changes you want in your community; a year long 3-phase plan.

Community visioning workshop will be held at Highland Heights on Tuesday March 6, 3:30-5:30 pm. Open discussion on how to improve our neighborhood. Pizza provided at the event.

Green-Up has been working with Highland students to discuss their community wants and needs.

Review of 3D neighborhood map.

### Chair Report – Ruth Rusaw

Minutes from last parent council meeting. Approve minutes.

L. Marshall motion. A. Caban second. All in favor.

### Account Balances / Updates

#### Treasurer Report- Kayla Parks

Little Caesars - \$844.00 profit.

L. Marshall motion to move Little Caesars funds \$844.00 to general account. A. Caban second. All in favor.

Popcorn - \$160.76 profit.

A. Caban motion to move popcorn funds \$160.76 to general account. L. Marshall second. All in favor.

### School Council Business

Breakfast Club – Tracey Davidson absent.

Highland Heights Tents – approved for no more than \$2,000.00 at last meeting.

Purchasing provided Mr. Beaton with an alternate company at a reduced price.

We will be ordering a 10 x 15 tent with four panels and school logos, to be ordered now.

### Fundraisers:

Fudge- A. Caban has flyers at home. Sales to coincide with Mother's day. Forms to go out April 2<sup>nd</sup> and return April 13<sup>th</sup>.

Chocolate Almonds- cancelled

YoYos- Order forms go home following March Break. Sales run from April to June on a monthly basis. L. Marshall is coordinating and has all paperwork for pupils and sign-up sheets for volunteers. To be delivered at 1:00 pm.

Popcorn- Taken over by Ms. Henzies' / Ms. Leeder's class for funds to support trips.

### New Member Recruitments:

Treasurer and Chair currently have a change in work / school circumstances and will be less available in upcoming months.

Possible ways to boost parent council enrolment: reminder e-mails, phone blast reminders and possible development of a Facebook page. Currently parent council meetings are put in school newsletters and on Edsby. To create a more welcoming environment snacks and coffee will be provided. Mrs. Wood will ask staff to invite two to three parents to join council.

Chess club continues with Mrs. Hedges and reading club has begun with Mrs. Wood.

Carnival was a great success. Including:

Assembly, school wide hike, outdoor activity day, campfires and snowshoeing, Steam day, presentations.

See the newspaper article on our front community board.

Mathletes will be coming to HH on Tues. Mar 6. A school wide program of interactive math sessions.

#### Staff Development:

We would like to welcome back Ms. Brown from her leave. Thank you to Ms. Bailey Connelly for her time at Highland Heights.

We wish to welcome and congratulate Mrs. Cavanagh in her new role as Math support for the school. (50%)

Highland Heights is participating in the board wide program called Renewed Math Strategies. Staff are attending further seminars and are enriching and developing their Math programs following the scope and sequence program.

#### Principal Report:

##### Staffing

Mr. Shaw is in for the grade 4/5 class at 50%.

Mrs. Cavanaugh is 50% Math consultant.

Ms. Ross' job has been posted for maternity leave.

Ms. Houghten continues to be on leave.

##### Waiting for constitution feedback.

##### School Garden Planning Session –

Boxed gardens and perennials to start the garden. Butterfly garden to be addressed. Side garden to be addressed.

Free (re)Cycle café. The first café will be on March 30<sup>th</sup>. Completed on a monthly basis. Providing items, such as clothing and hygiene products. Sponsored by the Peterborough Health Unit.

### Church:

Currently covering the cost of Pizza Fridays.

### Teacher Report:

#### Sports:

Volleyball was a success; the junior team went to Kenner and showed off all their new skills. Ms. Henzie took the seniors to Trent for some instructional coaching from Trent's volleyball team. An invaluable experience.

Basketball was a success. Thank you to the coaches.

#### Assemblies:

Kids on the Block came.

Constable Nusinck presented being safe to the grade k/1/2 classes.

Holiday assemblies went well, including class presentations. Many songs were sung and Ms. Henzie's classes taught the school a new song in French.

#### Events:

Kawartha Food Drive – was a great success. We surpassed our goal of 100 items.

Term 1 report Cards went home on Feb. 21<sup>st</sup>. Please sign the bottom of the second page if you wish to schedule an interview.

Persuasive Writing event for cross walk has finished. Mrs. Wood and Ms. Rumble will hand deliver the letters to the City.

Clothing Recycling Event was a huge success. Thank you to Mrs. Obbard.

Ms. Ross and Mrs. Wood will be participating in a Spark's photo display with their classes, paid for by The Peterborough Green-Up.

The school snowshoes have been put out and are actively being used.

Classes continue to use the kitchen for class cooking opportunities.

The grade 8's were provided the opportunity to visit Adam Scott. The children have sent in their registration forms for grade 9.

Menactra Vaccine for Grade 7 Boys and Girls was completed.

Several classes have signed up for a new reading program called Raz-Kids. Look for notices coming home. (Primary)

The school has been provided training time for the use of See Saw. Many classes and teachers will be developing their skill in using this school to home communication device.