Meeting Minutes – March 6, 2023		
Location	Time	
Virtual	6:00-7:00pm	
Meeting Chair	Meeting Scribe	
Jan Schaeffner	Janice Campbell	
Attendees		
Emily Praamsma	Catherine Merritt	
Jan Schaeffner	Lisa Leung	
Claudia Calla	Karen	
Absent		

#	Topic	Presenter
1	Introductions: Meeting official start at 6:01pm	
	Principal Praamsma gave land acknowledgement	
2	Approval of last meeting's minutes	J.
	- Minutes were approved by Catherine and Lisa	Schaeffner
3	Principals update	E.
	- Staffing-seniority verification process. After March break a staffing	Praamsma
	committee will begin looking at allocated staff we have and need. Phase out	
	staffing needs based on funding. Board is reducing due to ending pandemic	
	relief funding coming to an end and board deficits and declining enrolment	
	(families moved out of the 416 to the 905).	
	- Continue to build a caring and vibrant post pandemic school. Uptick in	
	sports and activities available to students. gym is in use at every lunch hour.	
	Jr./Sr. girls volley ball teams/basketball teams, dances, chess club, ball hockey	
	"friendly's", guest speaker for gr. ¾ with holocaust survivor, gr. 8's career	
	event at Microsoft office, continued field trips being booked (eg. symphony)	
	- Jan Q: possibility around losing staff? Emily A: staffing is based on projected	
	enrollment.	
	- No update on RCS name change	
	- Playground plans-need to come together after March Break to continue	
	efforts	
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	- Treasurers Update:	
	- have \$8800 in funds to use	
	- parent council breakfast on the table to host with the funds	
	- SAC newsletter to sent out with parent engagement funds	
	- Graduation hoodies will be approx \$1200 in funds for SAC to support	
	- STEAM event ideas being put together. possibly 3 events for 3 age groups.	
	To give Emily some possible dates to confirm work for the school	
	- Fundraising:	

- o waiting on Jays grant still
- hold off on Canada post grant until playground/schoolyard plans are more secure
- TDSB grant for garden in back
- Purdy's fundraiser started
- Mabel's Labels ongoing
- o Flip give ongoing
- o plan fundraiser looks like a logistical nightmare
- plan to carry out some STEM even "sponsored by Parent Council" before initiating new fundraising event
- Pizza update: update order form with updated class lists. March 3
 pizza day ran smoothly
- School Safety/ Anti-Bullying
 - Jan was approached by a parent about his child being bullied. Q:
 What can SAC do to help with the anti-bullying mandate?
 - o Emily will think on this but a few ideas are:
 - "Character introduction assembly's" to be proactive
 - Anti bullying shows (eg. basketball and positive peer relationships)
 - Child and Youth worker works with gr. ¾ around healthy relationships and hate bias and gender identity workshops
- New Business:
 - Claudia spoke on how to support using materials GB an offer
 - new Manager is Debbie and Clauding is tossing ideas at her for ideas of where to support
 - eg. Movie night, Lego club, support parent breakfast
 - Lisa mentioned GB fundraising money for picnic tables. Claudia mentioned the best timing is April for requests as it's a new budget. Claudia will need a concrete quote/budget for "items"
 - Claudia asked about the graduation and how it works. Emily mentioned sweatshirts made with a voted on "logo" and have them made. Vendor approved.
 - Spring Fling being put on the radar! Start planning in April

Next Meeting: April 3rd

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