



Trillium Elementary School Council (TESC)
Minutes
January 17, 2024 @ 7pm
Trillium Elementary School Activity Room and Virtual

Attendance:

In person:

Victoria Carriere
Sophie Clodge
MP Baird
Kate Woods
Jamie St. Onge
Kevin Fowlow
Brenda MacLean
Stephen Higgins
Trent Clarke
Paula McGuirk
Jessica Martin
Elisabeth Crausen
Ana-Livia Rodriguez
Kelly Dewolfe
Sabine Doebel-Atchison

Online:

Jen Roberts

- Introductions
- The meeting was called to order at 7:02pm

1) **Approval** of Dec 6 meeting minutes, and of Jan 17 agenda (KW)

Motion: To approve the minutes from October 18 as presented.
Kelly Dewolfe/ Brenda MacLean
CARRIED

Motion: To approve the agenda as presented.
Kelly Dewolfe / Brenda MacLean
CARRIED

2) Principal and VP Report (PM-L and TC)

- Merry MakerSpace was a huge success
- New blinds have started to come in
- Feb 14 term one report cards will be available
- Jan 26 PD day
- Snow removal
 - custodian instructed the contractor regarding snow removal
 - parking concerns will be addressed in a communication to parents/caregivers
- Question regarding when the kids can use library again
 - next week
- Question regarding toilet paper dispensers
 - custodian will look at them
- KG info night next Wednesday at 6pm
- Question regarding KG intake interviews
 - gone do to financial reasons (school board decision)
 - suggestion to write letter to the trustee
- middle french immersion info night in 2 weeks
 - Feb 5 and 9 registration
- 26 to 39 KG spaces for daycare (as of July 2024)

3) Teacher Report (SH)

School activities:

- The Trillium winter concert was a success with lots of positive feedback from staff and parents.
- Jan 25th is Trillium PJ Spirit Day.
- On the 28th, the grade 8s will be visiting Cairine Wilson High School.
- Hydro One will be running Electrical Safety Presentations on the 19th Jan
- Ms. George has advised that for the popcorn fundraiser, the bags will be increasing to 70g bags at a cost of \$3. The feedback was the 22g bags were too small and this option presents better value for money. The choices will remain the same.
- Ms. George continues to run the recycling program at Trillium, which consists of recycling paper/cardboard, plastic and paper towels.

Trillium Sports and Clubs

- Intermediate band practice continues with Mr. Dangerfield.

- Mme. Leah and Mme. Lajoie has just started up a junior/intermediate choir. They had a great turnout for the first rehearsal from students from grades 4-8.
- In mid to late February, they will also start up the primary choir again, for students in grades 1-3. Both choirs will perform at the Spring Concert on Wednesday, April 17th.
- Mr. Dangerfield and the intermediate girls' volleyball team had the OCDSB board finals tournament on Tuesday 16th Jan at Confederation Education Centre in the West End. They did a great job and made it all the way to the semi-finals.
- Mr. Dangerfield is running practices and holding tryouts for the intermediate boy's basketball team. Ms.Thaker is organizing the girls' team
- Mme. Armstrong is running practices and holding tryouts for the junior girl's basketball team and Mr. Romeo is organizing the junior boys.
- The basketball tournaments are to be held during the last week of February.
- Ms. Breitman continues her chess club and Dungeons and Dragons club.

4) Financial Report (MB)

- distributed
- TESC doing well financially
- \$1,700 left towards the goal for MakerSpace

Motion: To use pizza profits from this round for the grade 8 leaving ceremony.
Ana-Livia Rodriguez / Brenda MacLean
CARRIED

5) Parent Concerns via facebook (BM)

- covered in the principal's report

6) Fundraiser and Outreach Updates (2023-2024 Fundraising Calendar)

A) Merry Makerspace Tree

- success
- suggestion to use the board in the lobby when more supplies are needed
 - possibly put a wishing tree on the boards
- note: only 6 teachers have applied for start-up funding so far

B) Winter Dance Friday Feb 23

- 5 to 7:45pm
- Volunteer needed
 - i) Pizza area (5) - handing out, cash
 - Brenda's family 2 people

- ii) Raffle sales (2)
 - Ana-Livia and Alva
 - iii) Photo booth (1+)
 - MP will do a photo booth
- DJ confirmed at \$275+HST = \$310.75 (same as last year)
 - Spy Pen Idea - \$0.87 each on amazon (packs of 30) sell for...\$3-5???
 - Blacklights \$120+HST extra

Motion: To rent the blacklights for \$120+HST.
 Kate Woods / Ana-Livia Rodriguez
 CARRIED

- Decision to order 120 spy pens and to sell them for \$3/each
- Decorations
 - snowflakes, maybe dragon leaders
- Photo booth (MPB): Cost = 1-2? raffle tickets
- discussion

C) Raffle

- Need Volunteer do do GC board
 - Sabine
- Need volunteer to wrap 20 shoe boxes
 - Courtney, Jessica
- Current Donation count for GC board = 11.
 - More Canvassing is needed by Feb 9
- Donations for GC board due by Feb 9

Motion: To purchase laundry baskets from Home Hardware (quote for \$5.50/each) for approximately \$100.
 Kate Woods / Victoria Carriere
 CARRIED

- wrapping baskets Feb 15
 - Kate, MP, Sophie, Sabine
- Baskets Timeline:
 - Jan 22-26 - teachers choose themes, final list set on Jan 26
 - Jan 29-Feb 2 - Communications to go home about basket donations
 - Feb 5-16 - Donation period
 - Feb 16 - Volunteers needed for basket wrapping after school.
 - Feb 19-23 - Baskets on display, raffle tix for sale.
 - daycare to sell tickets
- Jessica to make a flyer
- question regarding events on school website - to be added under TESC

- FB group posters during the event

Motion: To adjourn the meeting.
Victoria Carriere / Jamie St. Onge
CARRIED

- The meeting was adjourned at 7:50pm.

Appendix A: Items Discussed Electronically

1. Dec 18: Can we allocate the earnings from our passive fundraisers (mabel's labels, tru earth, Home Hardware) to general operating costs?

APPROVED

Appendix B: TESC meeting dates for 2023/2024 school year

- Feb 21, 2024, Mar 20, 2024, Apr 24, 2024, May 22, 2024, Jun 19, 2024

Appendix C: Approved 2023-2024 TESC Funding 2023/2024