

Home and School Agenda

January 11, 2023

ATTENDANCE

Kelly Arfin-Gurevitch, Melissa Hoffman, Mark Kashetsky, Erica Grand, Chantal Latour, France Poirier, Melissa Loyer, Courtney Shapiro, Jinal Patel

ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA

A motion was raised by Kelly to accept the January agenda. The motion was seconded by Mark; all in favor; approved

ACCEPTANCE OF NOVEMBER MINUTES

A motion was made to accept the November minutes by Mark. The motion was seconded by Erica; all in favor; approved

TREASURER'S REPORT

Status quo, no changes

ADMINISTRATION REPORT

Thank you for all the effort with the lost and found. It is looking good and admin is happy that the kids are getting their stuff back. Hopefully there will be a lot of less items. Idea from Kelly is that we have a more organized system for new items that were added since it was last organized.

Thank you for the popcorn. We are happy that much of the distribution was done on Thursday as there was a snow day on Friday. Well liked by students.

In some classrooms the blinds are not working properly. They are either not closing or opening and because of this, the light from the window interferes with the Smart Boards. There are 26 blinds that are not functioning. Diana has a contact that she has used in the past. She reached out to her contact, but we are not sure of the exact price. Some teachers were asking if we can replace them with a simpler black out blind. Asking if Home and School will help contribute to the cost of the blinds.

First step would be to get a price and then we can vote to allocate funds. Can be discussed at the following meeting.

Last meeting, we discussed to have cookies and hot chocolates for winter carnival.

Money was already allocated last meeting.

TEACHER'S REPORT

No requests at this time

Thank you for all the allocations.

Mme Chantal gave in all the receipts and teachers were happy that they already received their refunds.

MEMBERSHIP

No change

UPDATES

Fundscrip: status quo, and will be ordering more Pizza Pizza gift cards.

Pizza Lunch: all working well

School Kits: Cheque to be received soon, will confirm exact amount.

Chocolates: 9 outstanding boxes, that we do not think we will recover. \$16000 profit

Book Fairs: we are good to do a spring bookfair, will have to look into dates. No rush to do it, will wait more for the spring so gym class can be done comfortably outside. Will take place one evening for parents to come and then classes to come during the day.

Allocations: most gave in their receipts. There are a few teachers who were granted extensions

APPROVED FUNDRAISERS

Raffle Baskets: Approved by governing board. Will take place in the spring

NEW BUSINESS

QFHSA News: none

Fundraisers 2022/2023: nothing new

Appreciation Week 2023: need to discuss what home and school will be allocating. We will then go to governing board for approval to request donations in any amount from the community.

Mme Poirier will ask if there are any specific big items that the teachers would want. Possibility of the dishwasher being broken; does it need to be changed/repaired? Idea also to buy more reusable dishes, cups, cutlery. If there are no big requests then we will do our usually daily activities.

Idea as a gift that we can buy a cutlery set for each teacher.

There is someone that Kelly knows for a coffee / hot chocolate bar, you pay by the hour – there is also someone that does a waffle bar. These are some new ideas to change it up. Would also like to maintain it as individually wrapped foods.

Once we see how much money we get from the community, then we can look into ideas of what we can buy for our teachers. Prices have been increasing a lot.

Will do the week of Feb 13-17 and Monday Feb 13 is a Ped Day

Allocate up to \$1500

Door Decoration – Valentine’s Day: Doesn’t have to be a door decoration contest. But it would be nice to do something fun for the students. This is a busy time of year, so we have a new idea. At the end of February can do a candy count (have a jar ready, and teachers can fill in a form to reserve their time with the candy jar) - Can leave the jar on display for a week for students to come look and see. Then the class can decide on a number to vote. The classes can also have the jar for a few hours to assess.

Allocate up to \$200 for the candy jar and the prizes

\$50 to make the candy jar

Class will receive the prize if they are closest to the number of candies in the jar.

1 winner per cycle (4 prizes) - \$150 for the prizes

VOTING

1. A motion was raised by Kelly to allocate up to \$1500 for teacher appreciation week. The motion was seconded by Mark; all in favor; approved
2. A motion was raised by Mark to allocate up to \$200 for the candy jar contest. The motion was seconded by Erica; all in favor; approved

NEXT MEETING

Tuesday February 21, 2023 – Online at 7:30