

W H Morden, Home and School Association

Mar 5th, 2018

7:00 p.m. at 180 Morden Rd, Oakville

MINUTES

1.0 Administrators Update/School Council

- a) School Council – Mar 20 super council meeting (mental wellness). Apr 19 6:30-9 pro-grant night. Any ideas for next year let us know. Staff have started inquiry groups (staff) to 6 areas of interest – math, literacy, well being, equity, friends, the arts. Gifted night is tomorrow (student leaders, speakers, tours, presenter) expecting 240 people signed up. Mar 27th is equity night at the school 5:30-7:30 (multicultural night – performances, info booth). Y drop off/pick up will soon have key pads (maybe in May). School budget was shared with the group.
- b) Trustee Tracey update – added to agenda motioned by Tricia, seconded by Derek. It is budget season again, and they are working on the provincial level to obtain extra funds. HDSB is - \$1200 per student on average in the Province. HDSB is one of the fastest growing board. Special education was redone 4 years ago, resulted in -\$8MM less over 4 years. Seems like a performance penalty. The proposed school year calendar is on the website for 2019 planning. A recent report shows a new ward in North Oakville and which trustees support.

2.0 President Updates

- a) The OFHSA Annual conference is coming up at the end of April 27th & 28th, 2018 in London. If you are interested in attending, please contact Karen. Any photos of past events and fund raising, please email Tricia or print 4 x 6. Mar 23rd deadline for advising if members or non-members are attending. Tricia to draft email for Karen for members, and Christene to send to non-members.
- b) WH Morden AGM Apr 9th, elected officers for next year are chosen. President, Treasurer, VP, Secretary are the elected members. Mar 23 all persons wishes to run for a position must be received by Karen. If no multiple requests for a position, it's an automatic appointment. Elected, and holds position for 1 term, and can be re-elected – maximum 3 consecutive years. If a position is not filled, automatically acclaimed if willing to remain. Karen is stepping down as president. Executive Committee consists of past-president, elected officer of HSA rep on school council. Can invite chairs to be executive officers.

3.0 Treasurer's Report

- a) Financial Update - Total cash in YTD is \$63,954 with expenses of \$28,616, for a total bank balance \$35,467 (pay pal balance \$4164) for a total funds available \$39,631. Need a better line of sight for milk HST as the school receives this amount back, and it's not credited to HSA. Maria to look into the HST amounts, and request to know the monthly amount. Christene to send spreadsheet to Maria and confirm the annual HST amount for our budget purposes.

4.0 Fundraising

- a) Update:

Internal

- Bowling Night - 19 walk ins, and approximately 80+ people attend. Although not a fund raiser, raised \$244 profit. Sold 44 raffle tickets at the event for lunch with Conan. Suggestion to book the night again in the fall, and save the date blast along the way. Suggested doing a monthly blast and links to the site. Be sure to state that it's open to friends, Family, neighbors, parent supervision not necessary.
- QSP – online orders, Bloom 40% profits, magazines \$10-\$11 per subscription. To be delivered by May long weekend. To commence Mar 21-Apr 19. Last year's profit \$1256. Boxes of packages arrived today at the school. Need to collate the brochures and organize to send home. Being sent home Wed Mar 21st.
- Apr 20 – Dance a thon (snack sales) – DJ (Karen has confirmed Colin) and photo booth (Arsheen has already talked to Heather at Mardi Gras). Typically sold chips, cookies, popcorn, and sparkling juice. Sour Keys are a must. Grade splits are generally younger kids in morning, and older kids in the afternoon. Need to understand if staff are requesting any food sales restrictions to younger kids. Perhaps Colin could do a dance contest by grade. Administration is open to the sale of glow bracelets.

5.0 New Business

- Grad update – good response for volunteers (6-7 parents came forward). No date set yet for first meeting. Need grade 8 teachers to advise on a theme from the students (meeting next week). Meeting has occurred, and Arsheen has gotten the ball rolling with tasks, and has spoken to the other school. More updates to follow.

6.0 Open Forum –

- a) 2 pizza moms are resigning at the end of the year. Need new volunteers.
- b) Arsheen has stepped down effective immediately.
- c) Need to get more volunteers to help and not burn out the regular group.
- d) HSA members – need A's and O's and Tricia to send to Karen for the April AGM.
- e) Would like to have volunteer groups within HSA, and tap into more knowledge and information.
- f) Request from music teacher – drum line band of 25 students, doing 4 workshops/performance. He's looking for donation to offset costs \$2500, of which some the school will offset (\$800)....need to send email for a vote on amount of expense and check the budget line. Will need to verify if uniforms will remain with the school for future years.

7.0 2018 Upcoming Meeting Dates 7:00pm

Apr 9 AGM
May 7th
June 11th

8.0 Closing / Adjournment – Karen – time 8:30pm