



Queen of Heaven Elementary School

2018-2019 School Council

Meeting Minutes, November 21, 2018 Meeting, 7-9PM

REMINDER: Refreshments for Next Meeting (Jan 23 2019)

Coffee/Water: Not required this meeting

Snacks: Not required this meeting

Attendees: Sylvia D, Gia D, Debbie C, Felician S, Lorena F, Mrs. McCann, Lisa C, Joanne C, Monica C, Tara C, Tania F, Georgia K, Cathy C, Lenka J, Miss Evans, Marie J

Regrets: Shanel A, Ethan A

AGENDA ITEM & NOTES	ACTION ITEMS / PEOPLE RESPONSIBLE
<p>1. Prayers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Led by Mrs. McCann / Gia D 	<p>NA</p>
<p>2. Welcome & Introductions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Led by Mrs McCann, co-chairs Catherine V and Joanne C 	<p>NA</p>
<p>3. Approval of Last Minutes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dated: Oct 4, 2018 	<p>Motion to Approve the minutes: Joanne C Second: Lisa C</p>
<p>4. Principal's Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EQAO results – provincial standardized testing for grades 3, 6, 9 and 10 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Questions that posed greatest challenge at QofH were same questions that posed challenge across the Board ○ In grades 3& 6- does not impact school report card grades ○ Grade 3 math scores higher than board and provincial averages ○ Grade 6 reading and writing scores lower than board and provincial averages; higher for math; scores have improved significantly since the cohort was in grade 3 ○ Scores for girls higher than boys on average • Retirement reception being held for Board trustees that are retiring (Wed Nov 28) • New school secretary has started (Mrs. Sekely); secretary will send out weekly email blast to all parents • ERW, Miss Rosas, will be taking over the school's twitter account • Logo of school will be transitioning away from QofH Crusaders; new logo to be developed by student body • Updates being made to General Administrative Procedures policy related to dress code; offensive language/symbols 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gia D to collate ideas on how to help improve math skills from council members; discuss ideas at next meeting with goal of starting something in January; initial ideas discussed include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Consider "Snuggle up and do Math" program to help reduce math anxiety and increase skill levels ○ Equip parents with ideas on how to support kids with math ○ Consider enrolling in math competitions ○ Consider starting 'math games' group open to all students ○ Consider having a 'buddy' program for math where older students work with younger kids ○ Consider parent/child math club • Mrs. McCann to add math resources/ideas to weekly email blast



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<p>related to indigenous groups not permitted to be worn by children – information will be shared in January newsletter</p>	
<p>5. Co-Chairs' Report</p> <p><u>TeamSnap – Yearly Cost Approval</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$134.89/year • Enables group to track availability and post materials, etc. <p><u>Family Movie Night</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • December 14, 2018, 7pm movie start time • Video chosen: The Star • Popcorn (\$1/bag), water, coffee (to be consumed outside of gym), hand out candy canes on way out • RSVP required • Canned good donation as entrance fee • Approving \$40 (excluding popcorn) for costs <p><u>Advent Mass</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All families from QofH and St. Dom's schools invited to attend Dec 10, 7pm • Board trustee invited • Refreshments will be provided afterwards (costs approved) <p><u>Monthly 1 pager Parents' Council Newsletter</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The council demonstrated support to initiate Parents' Council Newsletter • Joanne C to initiate template/draft; aim to circulate first one in January • This will help to ensure parents are informed and know how to get in touch/involved • Plan to also update Facebook page with content <p><u>Craft Club</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Club is going well; 20-30 kids per session; mix of both boys and girls • Monster craft – October • Christmas wreaths – November • Club will continue to provide updates at future meetings <p><u>Athletic Club</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tara C leading the planning to initiate an athletic club • Objective is to help students develop some fundamental knowledge/skills of a wide variety of sports • Aiming to initiate the club in January, during lunch periods, weekly 	<p>Motion to approve TeamSnap cost: Debbie C Second: Felician S</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Debbie C to purchase popcorn • Joanne C to draft flyer <p>Motion to approve Movie Night costs: Gia D Second: Monica C</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gia D to liaise with Marie J and St. Dom's parish rep to organize refreshments after; juice, water, coffee, timbits, festive table cloths



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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Target grades 3 and 4 to begin; this will help kids develop skills to be able to try out for junior teams • No costs involved <p><u>Parking Lot</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Issue: parents blocking in parked cars; parents leaving vehicles; safety issue • Principal using pylons to block cars from parking • Parent volunteers welcome to help direct traffic; increasing presence will help to deter unsafe behaviour • Consider distributing letter from Parents' Council <p><u>Sports Equipment Procurement Update</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • School has recently purchased new equipment • Council needs to discuss how to reallocate funds that were earmarked for equipment • Discuss ideas at January meeting <p><u>Family Skating Event</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 50-70 people event in November • Ideas for improvement: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Better way finding signage at arena ○ 2 volunteers for 'welcome table' at arena ○ Opportunity to collect canned good or donation • \$184.77 cost to rent rink • Change timing for January event: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 5pm mass ○ 6pm refreshments ○ 7pm skate • Potential January event dates: Jan 12, 19, 26, Feb 2, 9 (aim for 12 or 19 pending hall availability) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monica C to draft letter <p>Motion to approve January skate rental and refreshments: Catherine V Second: Debbie C</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gia D to confirm church hall availability
<p>6. Treasurer's Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Treasurer's Report reviewed • Balance at beginning of school year was \$13,512.18 • Profit for Open House BBQ was approx. \$100 (donor from Maple Leaf lined up to donate hotdogs for next year) • Approx. \$4600 profit from Dance-a-thon • Costs for iPad cart have been debited from the account • As of Nov 20, 2018 balance was \$13,538.74 • Reminder that any reimbursement requires completion of form (available in Council room or on TeamSnap) • As we approach Shrove Tuesday cost for last year \$844.49; costs shared between council and school 	



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<p>7. Fundraising Update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Halloween Dance-a-thon was a success overall; hotdog party dates to be determined for top fundraising classes • Next fundraiser idea: Flipgive • School gets a percentage of any purchase made online from select stores (eg. indigo, under armour, Walmart) • Fundraising team is proposing to set it up and see how it does by end of January; if it doesn't go well we can do another fundraiser in early spring • FlipGive communication strategy: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Start by sending out email ○ Include info in Christmas card ○ Label in agendas ○ Facebook posting ○ Bulletin board ○ Promote on Dec 5th – Xmas concert • Potential idea for spring fundraiser: spring garden bulbs • The council was supportive of this idea; more info to be provided at next meeting • School Tshirts – to be discussed at January meeting 	<p>Motion to support Flipgive fundraiser: Monica C Second: Joanne C</p>
<p>8. Parish Representative Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A survey was conducted to gain insight on how the parish could better engage families; distributed to all families at QofH and St. Dom's; results are being tabulated by Parish Council • Council discussed creating a book of prayers for Father Phil • All students will be invited to create a 'prayer page' • Student voice will help to put together the book • Aim to collect prayer pages by Dec 7 and give the prayer book to Father Phil at Dec 10 Advent Mass 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gia D to create template for 'prayer page' for Father Phil
<p>9. OAPCE Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There is an opportunity for parents to provide feedback on new potential policy to have seatbelts on school buses • There is currently a petition underway to support the reinstatement of PRO Grants; all council members encouraged to sign the petition 	
<p>10. Student Voice Update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Initial meeting held with kids from grade 6, 7, 8 • Nov and Dec events are being organized <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Nov 30 – Movember fundraiser; Face painting for \$1; Money donated to men's health issues; volunteers required ○ Dec 20 – Ugly sweater day; still determining plans for the event • Considering the organization of a school spring play; more info to be provided at subsequent meetings 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Joanne C to set up event on TeamSnap
<p>MEETING ADJOURNED: 9:45pm</p>	



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