

Katimavik Elementary School Council Minutes  
Wednesday, April 25<sup>th</sup>, 2018

Attendance:

Teri MacDonald, Leah Laframboise, Carla Backmeier, Laurie Giroux, Glen Ashworth, Jennifer Guerra, Stephanie Nasmith, Deirdre Mander, Laura Quirk, Chantal Kaye, Ian Urbach, Jeff Gervais

1. Welcome: 7:00 p.m.
2. Agenda – No changes required
3. Minutes from March 28<sup>th</sup>, 2018 approved : Carla and Stephanie
  
4. Chair's Report

Leah registered on the School Cash Online and mentioned that the registration process was easy to do.

Ian Urbach mentioned to Leah that Swiss Chalet does a fund raiser where the school receives 10% of the sales. It applies only to dine-in and take out. School Council will think about doing this fund raiser during next school year.

Castlefrank is have a presentation called "Keeping Kids Safe in the Online and Offline Worlds on May 17<sup>th</sup>, 2018 from 7 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.. Registration is required before May 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2018. This presentation is only for parents.

The Sign-up Genius for the Staff Appreciation Luncheon is almost ready. The luncheon will take place May 10<sup>th</sup>, 2018.

PRO Night Grant: Leah thanked Laura Quirk and Heather Massie for their work in organizing the Family Game Night – The Math Edition that will take place on May 8<sup>th</sup>, 2018. An information sheet has been sent home with the students. The form on the back is to be returned back to the school so that there is an idea of the numbers expected to attend this evening.

If anyone has ideas or suggestions for next year's PRO Night grant please bring them forward. The deadline to apply is June 5<sup>th</sup>, 2018.

Next Hot Dog Day will take place on May 30<sup>th</sup>, 2018. A volunteer is required to do it.

5. Principal's Report: Jeff Gervais

**Staffing Updates** – KES will have a Vice-Principal next year it will be Diane Farrell. Staffing next year is basically status quo.

<b>Tentative Class Organization for 2018/2019 School Year</b>	
<b>English Program</b>	<b>French Program</b>
Grade 4/5	Grade 4
Grade 5/6	Grade 4/5
Grade 6	Grade 5
Grade 7	Grade 6
Grade 8	Grade 6
	Grade 7
	Grade 7/8
	Grade 8

**Teachers' Meeting** - The Teachers' Meeting will be May 10<sup>th</sup> where the class lists for next school year will be composed.

**School Parent Climate Survey** – An email was sent out Monday, April 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2018 informing parents of the survey which will take place from April 23<sup>rd</sup> to May 11, 2018.

Jeff added two questions:

- Please list 5 words that describe your experience at the school.
- Are you satisfied with how the school deals with student behavior/incidents? If not how would you like the school to deal with them?

Jeff is looking for honest, straightforward feedback. Information gathered from the survey will be used for the Wellbeing Plan for next year's school year.

6. Teacher's Report: Laura Quirk

**Thank You** - Mr. Gray would like to thank council for all their support for their support for the Entrepreneurial Adventure supporting the Ottawa Mission. The various fundraisers raised over \$1500 – surpassing the targeted goal of \$1000.

**Talent Show** – Auditions for the talent show have started. The talent show will take place May 30<sup>th</sup>, 2018.

**Math Leads Test** – Some of the Grades 4 and 5 did the test about 30 students from each grade. So far the highest mark is 22/30.

**Junior Classes** – the Juniors will be starting outdoor tennis lessons. Scientists in the School will be held for each class.

The Grade 5 classes visited Parliament Hill and City Hall.

The Grade 5/6A class had their Beading Workshop.

**Intermediate Classes** – The Intermediates walked to Earl of March to see the theatrical production of “In the Woods”.

20 Intermediate students making up 5 teams participated in the Math Olympics. One team came in 3rd place!

**Chris D’souza** – All students had a presentation by Chris D’souza to learn about student leadership, equity, inclusion, human rights and respect.

**Clubs** - Mr. Wong has started a Magic the Gathering Club and Mr. Thouabi is doing the Coding Club.

**Intermediate Soccer** – There will not be an Intermediate Soccer team this year as it can’t field the team as it conflicts with the Grade 7 Arrowhead Camping trip. So the Intermediates will go from badminton to track and field.

**Learning Commons** – The transformation of the library to the Learning Commons is coming along. Megan Venner and Rebecca LeClair came in and did another section. Furniture has been ordered.

**The Family Game Night – The Math Edition** – There will be 15 board games that will be demonstrated during the evening. Posters have been made that explain the rules of the game. Swag bags are getting done. Help will be required to do the photocopying.

6. Treasurer’s Report: Claudette Nyenhuis

No treasure’s report this month.

8. OCASC: Ian Urbach

The Board gave a presentation called “Mental Health Initiative and Mental Illness.

Carol Mothersill on behalf of Scientists in the School gave a presentation on the new Family Science Nights that are being offered by Scientists in the School. This activity if school council applies and are approved can be leverage through the PRO Grant.

**School Council Banking** – OCASC is looking for people to participate in a group to be involved in the School Council Banking initiative.

There is a website (fixourschool.com) that are lobbying MPP to put pressure to have schools repaired. While it is a separate group OCASC does support them.

The last meeting for this school year will be in May when the OCASC elections will take place.

9. New Business:

**Community Festival** – The Community Festival and BBQ is well under way. One more meeting will be required to finalize some remaining items. They do have a Plan A: Sunshine and a Plan B: Rain.

It was suggested that we should invite our new V-P Diane Farrell to the festival.

**Book Fair** – Next school year will be Castlefrank's turn to hold the Book Fair in the fall. Megan Venner will not be able to be the lead. If anyone is interested please let Megan know.

Teri will reach out to Sarah to let her know that a volunteer is need to lead the Book Fair. Both school councils will put it on their blog post.

**Staff Appreciation Luncheon** - Leah put a motion forward to allocate \$100 to Mme Leclerc retirement gift. Teri second it. No one was opposed. Chantal Kaye will take care of getting the gift from School Council.

The teachers would also like the Barista to have decaf coffee for the staff appreciation lunch. Leah will contact the Barista.

**Leaving Ceremony** – There are still kids wanting to attend the evening Leaving Ceremony.

Discussion took place if school council would consider increase the amount to \$15 per student for next school year. It was agreed to put it on the agenda for next school council meeting.

Chantal is multi-purposing the decorations from the luncheon as they will also be used for the Leaving Ceremony.

Some discussions took place on having a photo booth at the hotel for the evening portion.

**Outdoor Classroom Money** – As plans for the Outdoor Classroom is on the back burner, Leah put a motion forward to take the money that is currently allocated (about \$3000) for the Outdoor Classroom and put it towards the Learning Commons. School Council asked Laura to provide more details at the next school council meeting in May. There was a general agreement that this reallocation of the money was a good idea. It will be added to next month's agenda.

**Freshi** – The Freshi Company approached KES to provide hot lunches. It wasn't clear if the company was on the Board's approved lunch providers. Jeff will find the list and provide it to Leah.

**Vessey Seeds Fund Raiser** – The Vessey Seeds fund raiser for the Grade 7 Arrowhead trip was a success. \$3800 in sales came in and KES will receive \$1900. A volunteer will be needed to do this fund raiser again next year.

10. Adjournment: 8:32 p.m.

Next Meeting: May 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2018 in the library