



Jack Chambers School Council

Elections Meeting

November 27, 2024

6:30 pm – Jack Chambers Library

Welcome and call meeting to order @

Motion:

Second:

Council attendance:

1. **Approval of previous minutes** (Andre LeFort)

Motion: Andre

Second: Jodie

-change made by Andre, \$877 revenue, not the profit

2. **Administration Report** (Susanne Young & Sally Chamberlain):

-bully prevention underway, educating students with weekly initiatives, it was effective due to parent/guardian feedback children talking about it at home, great awareness that fits in with safe school plan (Sally Chamberlain)

-no families have volunteered to share a cultural activity yet, trying to get a group of students to gather students in a committee, positive school climate initiatives, and to hear what students need to feel safe at school, adaptations or creation of new things that can help the school progress within the school safety plan. Student voices, Staff voices then once we review what those groups have come up with, then parent/parent council feedback. (Sally Chamberlain)

-December a busy month: angel tree, practices for Christmas concert, food collected will go to food bank and then gifts will go to Salvation Army. (Susanne Young)

-Susanne will be transferred to East Carling on Jan 6th due to TVDSB Admin Transfers. Frank Letsos will be coming. VP staying 6/10 days out of the cycle, due to cuts, school population has actually gone up. It will go out in the Charge Ahead to notify families.

-parent question: regarding class size overage, two grade 2 classes are at 24, cap is supposed to be 23. Admin to report class sizes in Jan., Primary classes cap is 22 +/-4 is the union regulations,

3. **Student Report** (Claire Roch):

- a. basketball team player, helping Ms. Inch, helps in the library, at JC since JK, to provide a student voice for School Council, play-off basketball update,

4. **Treasurer Report** (Amita Rawat):

- a. Update on current bank account balance after October and November's fundraisers. 5,133.34 is the balance of our account. Minus \$510 to pay Fresh for the Farm (\$877).

5. **Fundraising Report** (Sue Seara):

- a. Update on pizza lunch and support needs for remainder of school year.
- b. Pizza lunch around 200 orders, volunteers, everything running great, small flyers can be made up to promote things and teachers put them in student's planners, assembly in the fall to introduce, Facebook/Instagram posts, charge ahead,

6. **Fresh from The Farm** (Jonathan Somerville):

- a. Update on the orders and coordination of accepting delivery and distribution. Begin plans for what volunteer help will be needed to support this. Tuesday December 3rd during the day they will deliver (37 orders, half of the orders (root vegetables will need to be packed), we will need volunteers, and communication to parents who ordered, separate emails to parent families who ordered Fresh from the Farm), Wed. Dec 4th 3:30-5:30pm pick up. Photo up when people pick up.

7. **PRO Grant Application** (Andre LeFort)

- a. Applications for the PRO Grant funding are being accepted between mid-Nov. and mid Dec (posting not yet available), with eligibility to receive up to \$2,000. Work on deciding on potential

uses for this money and submit an application to request the funding. Last year's use was to purchase board games, cards, math, and literacy games. What other options are of interest to the group? See attached PDF for suggestions and more information. ***Eg. Lego robotics STEM night, Spring BBQ, movie night in the gym, workshop on student and family mental health, etc..

8. Holiday Concert 50/50 Raffle (Sue Seara, Jonathan Somerville):

- bank draft is ready to city license, to get license tmrw
- poster/flyers
- \$5 per ticket, or \$10 for 3
- volunteers for selling
- afternoon lottery, evening lottery,
- before the show selling 11:30am –12pm,
- before the show selling 6pm-6:30pm
- set table near sign in table, and also circulate in the gym
- letter to home to explain to families about what the fundraising is for, how to help, 50/50, picture of the playground, posters around the school, on the fence, collecting donation scan code to ask for money, something visual in the school, bulletin board, or flyers on the fence,

Discussion points:

- Lottery license application status
- Communication of raffle to school (e-mail to parents, posters in hallways, post on social media, post it note home, video announcement plug, MC introduce, sign outside too could remind parents to bring cash,
- Decision of where the fundraised money goes towards: School yard Play Equipment.
- Purchase of supplies needed to run the raffle. What do we need?
- Options to maximize ticket sales. May we sell tickets before the event date at a table in the front foyer? YES

On the event date, how many volunteers do we need to sell tickets and run things smoothly? Avoid congestion at gym doors, as well as any disturbance to the performances. Tables set-up at front foyer. 1-2 people walking around the gym?

- Pricing of tickets. How much should we charge?
- Ticket draw and announcement of winners.
- Gather names of who is interested in helping –Andre

Volunteers:

- picture of sample designs for Simone Poster Mon Dec 2nd, Thurs Dec 5th, Grade 8 sort/count/teacher mailbox next day
- calendar of fundraisers
- Kernals: Popcorn Tuesday
- VIP seats at Christmas
- Poinsettias/Pot arrangements
- Grad Fundraisers: April, May

9. New ideas and things to discuss (everyone)

Open discussion. What ideas do you have that you'd be interested in exploring to support your time on school council?

Adjournment @7:54pm

Motion: Andre

Second: Melanie

Next meeting January 29th @6:30 pm



