

École John Wilson Elementary School Council Meeting
Meeting Minutes – May 18, 2021

Attendees: Melissa Dudley (Chair), Andrea Meding (Vice-Chair), Angela Warke (Principal), Georgie Perigny (Vice-Principal), Holly Bilton (Trustee), Tania Morrison (Secretary)

1. Call to Order

- 6:04 p.m. by Chair (Melissa)

2. Adoption of March Minutes

- *Amend Art account balance in March minutes to \$282. 63*
- Motion to approve as amended - Andrea, Second - Tania

3. Additions/Approval of Agenda

- Added discussion of Discovery Zoo opportunity as item 8.

4. Administrative Report/ Account Balances

Account	Balance	Account	Balance
Fall Fundraiser	\$12,285.03	Pre-K	\$150.00
Hot Lunch	\$11,165.15	Kindergarten	\$3.83
Toast	\$8,703.95	Grade 1	\$106.03
Art	\$282.63	Grade 2	\$150.00
Music	\$50.00	Grade 3	\$137.03
Read-A-Thon	\$4,562.03	Grade 4	\$150.00
Family-School Wellness (FSW)		(\$59.80)*	

* FSW- a transfer of \$129.48 remains to be transferred from Fall Fundraiser to equal the previous \$500.00 allocation to FSW

- Parent feedback to group re: current online learning approach
- **Playground** –
 - Grant Applications: Pembina has engaged to ask for further information. Should hear response from Co-Op by mid-June.
 - School has ordered an accessible swing for students with physical challenges. Previous swings have been vandalized.
- **Healthy Hunger** – Discussed at previous meeting. Was not approved.
- **Recycling** – Volunteer has looked after this all year.
Motion to purchase gift card for up to \$200 – Andrea, Second - Tania
- **Opportunity for in-class performance of Paper Bag Princess** – Has already been booked. School would first meet and then login to performance. Cost is \$50/classroom. School Council will pay for this activity.

Motion to provide up to \$1,000 out of Fall Fundraiser for Paper Bag Princess performance – Tania, Second – Andrea

5. Virtual Dance

- DJ can do this for us but details have yet to be worked out. Dance will be hosted remotely and attended by each classroom. Reasonable compensation for this? Previous live attendance was paid between \$200 – 300.

Motion to provide up to \$300 out of Fall Fundraiser for end-of-year Virtual Dance – Andrea, Second – Tania

6. Teacher Appreciation

- Melissa and Andrea have devised a series of days to treat teachers in acknowledgement of their hard work for our students. So far teachers have been treated to ice cream from Dairy Queen. Other treats include: Muffins from Tims, Bananas & Bubly from Co-Op, and treats from Coffee Cottage
- Supporting local business. Will continue with other 3 once school is back to in-person learning

Motion to pay for appreciation days up to \$800 out of Fall Fundraiser - Tania, Second - Andrea

7. Folders

- \$20 -25 for folders (\$50/box) depending on letter/legal size
- \$20 for plastic containers (nicer quality, more durable) which can accommodate both letter and legal
- Opportunity for cost reductions based on volume
- Melissa contact with a local person who is doing something similar via Facebook and is charging approximately \$35/box.
- Lorraine is not in attendance at this meeting so further discussion will be tabled until September 2021 meeting.

8. Discovery Wildlife Park

- Offer is \$8/ticket for children and adults. No minimum purchase but purchase must be made in one transaction. Valid for season (until October 2021). Purchase window from June 1 to 11.
- Families will be asked to submit online orders first then add Read-A-Thon allocation (10 family passes – enough for whole family, not individual tickets) and complete purchase.
- School Council will donate 10 family passes (quantity to be determined by family need – either tickets for entire family or 2 for child and one parent with opportunity to purchase additional tickets at reduced rate. Draw date is June 11. School will contact families to notify them that they have won, to arrange pick-up and to allow opportunity to purchase additional passes, if necessary.
- Andrea will create write-up for activity to be sent out to families.

Motion to spend up to \$500 for Read-A-Thon zoo passes out of Fall Fundraiser – Andrea, Seconded – Tania

9. Open Questions and Comments

- Conversation to abandon hot lunch discussion from earlier meetings. Will instead provide popsicles for all students to celebrate end of Read-A-Thon on June 11. 450 popsicles to be purchased from No Frills.
Motion to approve up to \$100 from Fall Fundraiser – Andrea, Seconded – Tania
- Conversation regarding school board's decision not to pilot new curriculum proposed by provincial government.

10. Adjournment

- 7:20 p.m.
- Next Meeting: September 21 @ 6:00 p.m.

Spending Motions:

- Motion to provide up to \$1,000 out of Fall Fundraiser for Paper Bag Princess performance – Tania, Second – Andrea
- Motion to provide up to \$300 out of Fall Fundraiser for end-of-year Virtual Dance – Andrea, Second – Tania
- Motion to pay for appreciation days up to \$800 out of Fall Fundraiser - Tania, Second – Andrea
- Motion to spend up to \$500 for Read-A-Thon zoo passes out of Fall Fundraiser – Andrea, Seconded – Tania