

St Joseph's – A. McKay Home & School Minutes

Date: Wednesday April 3rd, 2019
Time: 6:30pm
Location: SJAM Library

Attendees

Regrets

Name	Name	Name	Name	Name	Name	Name
Bethany Lander	Erin Galllott	Tina Hiscock	Chantelle Dooley	Heather Thornhill		
Natalie Hagerty	Jennifer Beamer	Heather Ternoway	Shannon DeCoste	Jessica Winton		
Yolanda Karton-Burns	Alan Farquhar					

Agenda

1. Motion to approve current Agenda
2. Motion to approve minutes from March 2019
3. Treasurer's Report March 2019
4. 2018/2019 Fundraising Calendar
5. Financial Requests
6. Principals Report
7. Round Table
8. Signage

1. Approval of Agenda:

Motion: Heather Ternoway

Second: Jennifer Beamer

2. Approval of Minutes from March 2019:

Motion: Erin Galllott

Second: Chantelle Dooley

3. Treasurer's Report March 2019:

-Home & School still currently has two bank accounts (identified by "RBC" and "CUA")

-No statement received yet for March

-Feb 2, 2019: \$19,636 RBC \$4980 CUA = \$24616 total

-Pending expenses and disbursements: Cooperatives Insurance for wine tasting and cheques for GFF (2 staff from GFF have declined being paid)

~15,000 currently at H&S disposal

4. Home & School Event Calendar

April 5th

9th Annual Wine & Beer tasting with Silent Auction

- 2 days away!
- Posters are up in businesses in our community and those who supported by donating to the event.
- Posters went home in backpacks Monday
- Tickets are available in advance, and also at the door (cash)
- Doors open at 7, volunteers please arrive early

May 25th

Spring Fair

- Volunteers for games will come from classrooms, sheets made for the staff to sign parents up during parent teacher, and data will be collected to be entered into our spreadsheet. Sheets will go in Heather T's box and collected by Barb.

- Based on debrief in the spring, Glow items have been ordered, grocery list will be created for donation items to be requested and then posted and shared immediately after the wine tasting.
- If you wish to be involved with Spring Fair for the planning part of it, please let us know. Not a lot to plan as we made all decisions in the spring on what we wanted to change of the event.
- Budget for event - a few suggestions to save money for the event:
 - Popcorn costs us \$200.00 and we make less than \$200. Some alternatives that were discussed included 1) borrowing a popcorn maker, popping the night before and sell by the bag. 2) Purchasing a popcorn maker for Home and School and 3) microwave popcorn purchased from Costco. All 3 scenarios would allow popcorn to be sold at the canteen so no extra volunteers needed. Decision will be made at Spring Fair committee.
 - Purchase the small bouncy castle to avoid the additional cost in the future. Tina found one on Amazon ~\$379. Discussion re importance of inclusion and having smaller bouncy castle for children who cannot use the bigger one outdoors.. Natalie offered to discuss with SAC re contributing to purchase of this
 - Reduce to 1 bouncer outside this year. The group agreed that 1 bouncy castle would be ordered. Tina will send photos of two potential bouncers to receive input on which one would be best

4. **Financial Request/Disbursements:**

None

5. **Principal's Report**

- Third term is starting.
- Report cards home Tues, PT Thurs afternoon
- Registration process complete for Primary/Pre-Primary classes. 16 English students, 33 French students, 5 pre-primary students currently registered. Projected student population of 320.
- Two SAC volunteers and 2 staff found local artist to have mural completed in Breezeway. Artists will return in Spring to paint outside wall on Russell St. Artist to come to SJAMBoree and help out with art station. Has become interactive for students (playing eye spy, writing about it)
- Discussion re notice in newsletter re change to lunch hour next year: Natalie shared that 220 students stay for lunch requiring supervision. Students currently eat in gym 3 days/week and classrooms 2 days/week. Feedback from students/lunch monitors is that eating in classrooms is preferred. Eating in the classrooms will allow gym to be used for intramurals/indoor lunch use in bad weather. Trying to balance supervision available and keeping lunch/less supervised time positive to allow for positive afternoon of instruction. Consideration has been made re ensuring that kids have enough time to eat and enough time to play over lunch time. The proposal to later start time is attempt to reduce disruption to morning routine as many kids currently come late to school. Natalie encouraged parents to provide feedback and share any concerns with later start to school day.
- June 21st SJAMBoree 10-1:30pm. Natalie is looking for helpers . Heather pointed out it's National Aboriginal Day and consideration for including appropriate recognition of this day

6. **Round Table:**

- Garden Committee: HRCE grant \$1000 allowance for garden supplies (must be used in Spring and for edible plants)
- Cold Frames made it through winter: chives and dill
- GFF starts tomorrow (9 students). 4 volunteers (1 teacher) for first night. 7 weeks.
- Mobile Food Market - suggestions to put dates on school calendar. Can also put info on Facebook group.

7. **Signage:**

April - Ray

May - Alan & Yolanda

8. Banking

Account has been opened and everyone has signed. We can now offer E-transfer for the Wine Tasting. We will start advertising this and the info needed etc. At the event there will be 2 line ups, 1 for cash and other for E transfer.

Next Home and School Meeting – May 1st, 2019 630pm at SJAM