

ECVS Home and School Association Meeting Minutes
February 7, 2023
6:30 p.m.
ECVS - Library

Present: Sarah, Cory, Tracy V, Michelle, Tracy, Sandy, Saima, Tannis, Donna

Regrets: Araceli

1. Welcome

- Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2. Chairperson's Report

- Sarah, Sandy, Saima and Tracy P attended the staff meeting Dec.13, 2022 to voice thoughts on teacher/staff communication and what we are looking for at the upcoming student led conferences. Appreciated the chance to speak and connect with teachers, a big thank you to staff for having us.
- Christmas concert raffle total profit - \$1697.61. Big thank you to all who volunteered: Sandy, Araceli, Tracy P and Mrs. Blythe for selling tickets and counting money. All prizes and money were claimed and the concerts were amazing!
- Terrier game for some of our immigrant families went off without a hitch and everyone had a wonderful time. Thank you to Mdme. Vanstone, Kendra McKenzie, Mr. Botteril, the Terriers and Saima for all your time and help with this event. It was a wonderful evening connecting with these families and building community.
- P.A.W.S update. I have been in contact with P.A.W.S with regards to a presentation for our students. Tracy will be discussing it with the staff this month how best to bring this to the school and we can make a plan from there. Presentations should happen this coming spring. Will update again at next meeting.
- Staff appreciation is this week. I will be bringing the staff coffee and fruit/pastries this Thursday, Feb 9th in the morning, and will be getting the bus drivers lottery tickets.
- The school division budget meeting was held January 25th for PACs to voice budget requests. I was unable to attend as I was out of town, but Saima and Sandy attended via zoom to submit our requests for funding. I will pass it on to All future donations to non-profit organizations will be looked at closely by Home and School Association to decide where to spend future funds.

3. Treasurer's Report

- Stride account balance as of February 7, 2023 is \$20,226.79

4. Principal's Report

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5. Teacher's Report - Michelle Hauser

- February 3rd - Hot dog day
- February 6-10th - Kindergarten registration
- February 17th - PD Day - No school
- February 20th - Louis Riel Day - No school
- February 21st - Voyager Day
- February 24th - Outdoor Skating Event 3-7 pm
- February 27 - March 3 - Book fair

- March 2nd - Donut Day
- March 6th - K-12 Admin Day, No school
- March 24th - End of term 2
- March 27-31st - Spring break - No school

6. Fundraising Plans

- Applying for Community Foundation grant for walking path
 - Think about partnering with the daycare to apply for other grants for the walking path
- Mordens Chocolate Bunnies
 - Saima has contacted Mordens chocolates and will make up the order form to go home with students
 - Sell for \$6/bunny
 - Bunnies will be packed Monday, April 3 at the school by Cory and volunteers
 - Bunnies will go home the 4th and 5th with pick-up option

7. Special Events

- **Donut Day**
 - Planned for March 3, 2023 from Tim Hortons
 - Sarah P. made a motion to pay for donuts for all students/staff from home and school funds
 - Tannis D. seconds the motion
 - All attending were in favour
- **Outdoor Evening**
 - February 24th is the date planned. Time - 3:00-7:00
 - Roasts & Toasts, skating (hopefully), snowshoes, snow painting, door prizes, photo backdrop, outdoor play
 - Charge would be \$250 for 100 people
 - Volunteer list has been made for clearing a rink and path, setting up benches or chairs, getting extra skates and helmets for kids to borrow
- **Spring Fling Dance**
 - Planned for April 28th
 - Have different types of dances and music
 - More plans to come
- **Sponge/Dunk a teacher**
 - Plans will be made at a later time

8. Round Table

- Discussed feedback from families about the Terrier event, positive and some concerns
- Concerns about parent volunteer needing criminal record checks. Would like to see this done yearly and child abuse checks as well.

9. Next Meeting

- Tuesday, March 7, 2023 at 6:30pm