

**Kent Public School Council**  
**Tuesday, December 3, 2024**

**Present:** Adrianna Douglas, Sarah Turner, Kimberley Shannick, Cara Owens, Alysia English, Rebecca Coggins, Paula Eckel

**Regrets:** Samantha Larmer, Melissa Jamieson

**Meeting Called to Order:** 6:05 PM

**Approval of Agenda:** Remove The Cheese Trap from agenda as that is not a Council initiative, Motion to approve the agenda was made by Alysia, seconded by Kimberley.

**Approval of Last Meeting Minutes:** Motion to approve the November minutes was made by Alysia, seconded by Cara.

**Principal's Report:**

Land Acknowledgement

Shade Shelter

- most recent tendered shade shelter was approximately \$70 000 for a 24" by 30" shelter (we are working with a bigger space)
- Council requested more details -does this cost include surface prep? We have a pea gravel surface already. What kind of roof? Are there canvas options? What are the size options? Are there other Outdoor Education space options?
- Adrianna will get more details and Council will decide from there
- Council members can look into local options as long as they meet requirements - a certificate of insurance with KPRDSB named as additional insured in the amount of at least 2M General Commercial Liability Insurance and a clearance certificate from WSIB

Lifetouch

- Was back in touch with LifeTouch - currently not doing business in any KPR schools - LifeTouch said that they have had mixed reception from schools in the Board - most thought it was a board decision on who we must use as our photographer – but the Board has said that it is a site-based decision for school and community
- LifeTouch stressed better value in pricing structure and Shutterfly coupon with each purchase – also class Group photo printed (not digital)
- Council has requested schools they do work with, references and samples of LifeTouch work
- Adrianna will reach out again

Volleyball

- Coach Cole took Girls to Competitive Tournament at Norwood - placed 5th
- Coach Jaynes took Boys to Competitive Tournament at CDHS - placed 6th
- Coach Burkholder took girls to Recreational Tournament at ENSS - placed 5th

Pasta Lunch

- Pasta Lunch Survey - 29 responses with 22 in favour and 7 not - Council will continue with this as a hot lunch option

#### Literacy Screener (JK-2)

- Teachers are not using it for their assessment
- Similar to EQAO
- Literacy coach working on Day 3's with small groups for those students who show in-risk
- SERT is checking in with groups on alternate days

#### Positive School Climate Team

- Will meet 4 times a year to examine School Climate data and set achievable goals
- Thank you to Sarah Turner for being parent on board
- Katie Hay will be the teacher
- Julie Beamish the EA
- 2 grade 8 girls
- Health Unit Nurse - Karen Baker
- Also about including Student Voice

#### Days of Sharing

- Families donate if they can to our fun days
- We are supporting 13 families (17 students) over holidays
- Remaining money goes towards poverty intervention and nutrition program
- Giant Tiger donated 300 candy canes for an activity
- Campbellford Farm Supply donated 300 cookies from Doohers for activity
- Every bit counts!

#### **CUPE/ ETFO Report:**

##### **Since last meeting:**

Nov 6 - Grade 8 at CDHS, Take Your Kids To Work Day (welcome Ella Marshall)

Nov 7 - Inuit Day, RCAF Speaker Grades 3-5 & 6-8 (bonus - also spoke to Grades 1-2)

Nov 8 - Nipissing Teacher Candidates finish in Morford & Mahoney, National Indigenous Veterans' Day

Nov 11 - Remembrance Day (Jaynes, Hay, Cole, Burkholder to Cenotaph - others had an assembly at school), Rock Your Mocs week

Nov 12 - Grade 8 Cooking, Worry Busters and Good Coping

Nov 13 - survey about pasta opened on Edsby, OTU Teacher Candidates in McRae & Jaynes until Dec 10, Colour Houses for World Kindness Day - made cards for Seniors

Nov 15 - Picture Retake Day, survey about pasta closed, LLS, Rutherford & McRae to Inclusion Northumberland Toy Drive kick-off

Nov 18 - Trent Teacher Candidates started in Cole, Burkholder & Mahoney, Cornerstone (Burkholder, Cole, Jaynes, Hay), School Cash for December opened, orders for winter photos closed, week of sharing donations started, Bullying Awareness & Prevention Week (Theme: Choose Respect)

Nov 19 - Grade 8 Cooking, Worry Busters & Good Coping, Odd Socks Day to celebrate what makes us unique

Nov 20 - Progress Reports went home

Nov 22 - CDHS student completed environmental activities in Marshall, Pavilonis & McRae, Hopkins to public library for Bail's Book Club  
Nov 25 - Cornerstone (Burholder, Cole, Jaynes, Hay), winter photos week started  
Nov 26 - Worry Busters & Good Coping - last one  
Nov 29 - School Cash for December closed, Pavilonis & Marshall community walk  
Dec 2 - Cornerstone (Burkholder, Cole, Jaynes, Hay) - last one  
Dec 3 - EAAA Volleyball (Intermediates)

### **Coming Up:**

Dec 5 - Grilled cheese lunch starts on Thursdays  
Dec 6 - Days of Sharing donations closes on School Cash  
Dec 9 - School Cash opens for January lunches & milk, KPR Accessibility Walk-Through  
Dec 10 - KPREAA Girls Volleyball, Grade 8 Cooking, OTU TC's last day (McRae/ Jaynes)  
Dec 11 - KPREAA Boys Volleyball, Regional Council  
Dec 12 - JK/SK - Cookies & Cocoa  
Dec 13 - Trent TC's last day (Burkholder/ Cole/ Mahoney), Days of Sharing (PJ, Movie, Candy Canes), Marshall & Rutherford making cards for OPP for Seniors, Positive School Climate meeting  
Dec 16 - Days of Sharing (Kent Colours/ Sports Jersey, Hockey Shootout)  
Dec 17 - Grade 8 Cooking, Days of Sharing (Parade - Creative Hat/Sweater, Bingo, Cookies, Hot Chocolate  
Dec 18 - Days of Sharing (Parade - Black Tie, Winter Dance)  
Dec 19 - Pancakes  
Dec 20 - School Cash for January closes, PRO Grant applications due, Last day of School  
Jan 6 - Back to school  
Jan 7 - Next Parent Council Meeting (Virtual)

### **Community Member's Report:**

N/A

### **Treasurer Report:**

Closing Balance: \$13 651.99

\$353.23 transferred for funds received from Council Ministry Account for Open House BBQ

Current Balance: \$14 005.22

No other outstanding transactions at this time

### **Other Accounts:**

1. Pasta Lunch (additional entries for November brings total to \$981.54 minus invoice amount which was \$773.55 – profit of \$207.99 for first month (November)
2. Chicken Fingers & Veggies - November – total generated was \$1673.16 – minus invoice amount which was \$1456.38 – profit of \$216.78 for November  
Total profit to date: \$349.33

## **Fundraising Goals for the School Year:**

Mabels Labels is ongoing - we have received one cheque - best to promote it at Welcome to Kindergarten

Florabunda and Macmillans - new year, they haven't sent new pricing, but Sarah will look into to get pricing for a January start

## **PRO Grant Ideas:**

Indigenous Education Department

- Adrianna spoke with Principal of Indigenous Education - "Nothing About Us Without Us" in one of the Principles of Indigenous Education
- Because it is a new goal to the school they want to work with staff first and then consider working with council
- They didn't want things to be misunderstood as entertainment, when we need it to be learning first
- Thank you but not yet, so maybe we can ask for ideas/support again next year

Fit2Learn Scholastics - Alysia

- They have 2 streams - Math focus or STEM focus
- Physically active while learning
- Provides activities for 30 days, not a single session
- Probably not something that fits with the PRO Grant criteria
- Need staff support

Kim Muskratt - Cara

- Talking Feather
- With response from Indigenous Education, might wait on this

Birds Of Prey - Cara

- Still waiting to hear back

Canada's Dinosaur Park - new idea - Sarah

- Do they travel?

Dan The Music Man - Adrianna

- Again? Maybe in a pinch

Zoo To You - Adrianna

- Again? Maybe in a pinch

Caring Concerts - Adrianna did reach out, but no response

- Focus on caring for each other and the environment
- Still waiting to hear back

Little Ray's Exhibitions – Sarah will look into

- Based out of Ottawa/ Hamilton
- They will travel
- Indoor and Outdoor

Drumfit – Alysia suggested

- Number limit of 60 students
- Schedule times
- May not be good for our purposes

Council set a deadline of December 16 to share information as we get it (through email). Council will decide on December 17, allowing the application to be completed by the 20<sup>th</sup>.

**Other Business:**

School Wide Pancake Breakfast

- Thursday Dec 19 (Volunteers Come at 8:45 a.m. Cook First Block, serve Pancakes Middle Block and Last Block cleanup)
- Paula will take the list to wholesale (call Curtis and then go from there) and see what we can get and also check Costco
- We need: 7 bags of Pancake Mix (Make 90 each), two 4L jugs of syrup, 275 plates
- Callout to volunteers on Edsby - Adrianna
- Council Available to volunteer - Rebecca all day, Sarah 10:15-1, Kimberley 1:30-3:15, Paula 8-10, Alysia flexible, family members if possible)

School Jerseys

- Casey Jaynes gave Adrianna a sample Jersey and is still looking into pricing - will have more information for next meeting

**Meeting Adjourned: 7:35 PM**