

Kars on the Rideau Public School

December 9, 2014

Present: Rick Hagggar, Denise St. Jules, Robin Churchill, Sarah MacKeegan, Sonia Williams, Steve Montero, Meg Lamont, Michelle Farncombe and Jen Mercer-Haluke, Paula Panetta, Michelle Crogie

Regrets: Angelo Buffone, Kim Buffone, Bonnie Fiarchuk, Elizabeth Pasch, Kim Cable, Megan Dodge, Shauna Carty, Cindy Nutt, Karrie Moore, Rob Maxwell, Sara Kenney

1. Approval of the agenda

Discussion points were agreed upon by all those who attended. Quorum was not achieved.

2. Approval of minutes

Unable to approve the November minutes as quorum was not achieved.

3. Principal's Report

Rick Hagggar noted having spent approximately \$38k this month in order to upgrade various technologies at the school. Rick noted that Mr. MacLeod will be retiring Feb 2015 and Mrs. Dewer will retire in January 2015. Otherwise, there was nothing more to add for December.

4. Treasurers Report

Meg Lamont reported that the actual vs. budget reflects monies previously approved in April, 2014. She noted that the Loonie & Toonie sale was a success and generated approximately \$2,850.59 in revenues.

Meg commented that although Council approved a standing motion to pay for the total purchase price for Silver Birch and Red Maple, normal practice in previous years was to cover only a portion of the costs. The new standing motion will result an increase of \$1069.00 to the annual balance sheet.

It was confirmed that the Scientist in the School have been booked (10 in total) and now require payment. Meg will need to know from the teachers which classes are affected in order to appropriately allocate the funds.

Sonia provided a listing of educational activities 2014-2015.

5. Other Business

Members discussed how Council can cultivate a focus and vision for future fundraising goals. It was noted that Council prefers to carry an annual \$5k float. They also deliberated the need for more volunteers and how best to engage parents and develop a communications strategy going forward. Agreed to further discuss at the January 2015 meeting.

Next meeting: January 13, 2015, 7pm in the library

Bring forward: Rick to provide 2014 EQAO result as part of the next Principal's report.
Fundraising vision and goal
Parent engagement and communications strategy