# Cairine Wilson S.S. Parent Council





# The Future Starts Now Cairine Wilson Secondary School

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#### Thursday, February 28, 2024

Chair: Les Robinson

**Secretary:** Janine Stewart

Attendance: Janine Stewart Derek Black Laurie Labelle

Les Robinson Andrew Murphy Guy MacDougall Julie Irvine (Parent) Melissa Britton Pam Hawley

**Regrets:** Anne-Marie Dugal

Crystal Manias

#### 1 Call to Order (L. Robinson):

• The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm.

#### 2 Land Acknowledgement (L. Robinson)

#### 3 Introductions/Regrets (L. Robinson)

• Regrets - Anne-Marie Dugal, Crystal Manias

# 4 Approval of the Agenda (L. Robinson)

Agenda was approved without any changes, M. Britton moved, Pam Hawley 2<sup>nd</sup> the move, all in favour

# 5 Approval of the Minutes of January 25, 2024 (L. Robinson)

• Minutes were approved without any changes, D. Black moved, M. Britton 2<sup>nd</sup> the move, all in favour

# 6 Business arising from the Minutes (January 25th)

- 6.1 C.W. Craft Fair signage (L. Robinson)
  - Went to Sure Sign to get estimate for signs 30 signs, approx. \$300-\$400
  - o Colour changes from red to orange in order to distinguish it from other craft fairs
  - $\circ$  No date so that we may use them from year to year, time at 9:30 3:30 pm
  - Need signage for parking
- **6.2** OCASC meeting January 18<sup>th</sup> update (L. Robinson)
  - o No chairs were present; therefore, no reports resulted in a good discussion between the members
  - o Secondary schools present Earl of March, Glebe, Lisgar, Colonel By
  - o 84% Pro Grant Success
  - o No connection with PIC unsure how PIC will report to school councils
  - o Informal discussion around cell phone policies cell phone hotels, responsibility then placed teachers
- **6.3** Council Funded Activities Items (A. Murphy)
  - Learnings commons Library request for a projector non learning spaces
  - o P. Hawley good to get one that moves move from one area to another
  - We don't have a quote for this yet
- 6.4 School Improvement Plan (A. Murphy)
  - Move to this item to next meeting

# 7 Reports of Executive Members:

- 7.1 Chair's Report (L. Robinson) none for this meeting
- 7.2 Student's Report (TBD) none for this meeting
- 7.3 Staff Report (G. MacDougall):

From	Topic/Good news/ Request	Request for Funds
Music Department Felicia Persaud	Arts Night – April 25 <sup>th</sup>	
Student Services	Course registration deadline – March 1 <sup>st</sup>	
Year Book Class	Year Book – not much interest, D. Black – there has not been much advertisement, only through Cash-Online	
Ideas Club Mr. Kelly	Purchase of chromebooks – more technology	No quote to date
Drama	Community living class – students go to Bruyere Senior's Home once/week – very successful program  Poetry and Voice – going to Canterbury High School  Production Class – will be putting on a show (early May)  Improve Team – competing on March 22 <sup>nd</sup>	
Key Club	Spring clean up – Earth Day in April – looking for parent volunteers and funds to purchase tongs to pick up the garbage	Bring forward to March meeting
ASD Classroom	Cooking program – One of the highlights of our program has been our regular visits to Metro, where our students purchase groceries for their cooking sessions. These outings have enabled our students to gain cooking and essential social skills as they plan, shop, cook, and eat together.	\$260
Athletics	Sr. Boys Basketball competed in the city finals and won 53-45 - a huge thank you to the	

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spectators that came out, well behaved, lots of positive feedback was received

Jr. Boys Volleyball – 3-1 victory

Wrestling – OSFA qualifying, going to Hamilton to compete

Sr. Girls Volleyball will be competing

#### 7.4 Community Member's Report (A. Dugal) - none for this meeting

# **7.5** V.P.'s Report – (L. Labelle):

- High School Dance last week, great evening
- Black History Assembly excellent local artist came and shared her story, dancing, plays Rosa Parks re-enactment which was very good
- Initial learning reports will be going out to parents and caregivers on March 19th beginning stages of learning
- March 27th Parent teacher interviews virtually and in-person meant for kids who are having difficulties
- Starting to put together the courses for next year based on the student's choices
- Student management on the whole has been good

# 7.6 Principal's Report (A. Murphy)

- Second semester is going well, many positive things are occurring in and around the school
- Unexpected visit from the Deputy Minister of Education went well, attended some classes
- Will be reviewing the final examination period/Student Success/Credit Recovery period
  - o These results will be implemented with the final exam period in June
  - o Communication to come out in March regarding the June final exam period
- We will be hosting some learning walks in April, student engagement
  - Opportunity for administrators to develop or hone their focus by walking into classes
- Events:
  - o G. MacDougall shared about the successful Athletic season we have had
  - o Black History Assembly went very well
  - Semester II started February 1, 2024
  - o MADD presentations to youth in March, focus on alcohol and cannabis use
  - Course selections

- Parent Teacher Interviews March 27<sup>th</sup>
- o C. Jepp OSSLT (Literacy exam for grade 10 students) in April, DELF French immersion testing April 15<sup>th</sup> 17<sup>th</sup>
- Pink Shirt Day antibullying awareness campaign well participated
- o Commencement June 27<sup>th</sup> in the morning at CWSS communication to follow
- Planning for next year has begun, we are submitting our projections for next year we are expected to grow 163 grade
   12 will be leaving, expecting 189 grade 9 students
- o April 8<sup>th</sup> Eclipse:
  - Overlaps with dismissal time
  - Unfortunately, the OCDSB does not have a PA Day that can be rescheduled
  - Schools will be closed, transportation will be cancelled and OCDSB Extended Day Programs will not operate

#### Staffing Updates:

- o New Office Administrator Maushumi Afroze updates to website, receipts, etc.
- Teaching Staff:
  - Mr. Jones (French)
  - Mr. Henry (French/Civics Careers)
  - Ms. Hunter (English)
  - Ms. Belanger (Science and Math)
  - Mr. Al Badie (Science and Geography)
  - Mrs. Smith (Art)
  - Mr. N. Kopanas (Math)
  - Ms. Thompson (ASD)

# Budget

- o \$95,000 total budget
- \$53,740.61 spent to date = 56%
- o 10% needs to be reconciled field trips, athletics, etc.
- We have received the following grants:
  - Outdoor Ed: \$34,300, of which \$32,000 is for the teacher release
  - Specialized classes: \$3,805 DDP, ASO ergonomic aids, etc.
  - French Culture grant: \$546
  - FSC: \$13,859 consumables, woodshop, food, auto
  - Fine arts: \$3,112 supplies
- School Improvement Plan
  - English inclusive classroom, oral/reading fluency
  - o Math multi-learning approach different stations, problem solving, group work

- O Wellness more work in required in this area
- Questions:
  - o J. Irvine do you keep Naloxone at the school
    - A. Murphy yes, 1<sup>st</sup> Aid kits/Room, 1<sup>st</sup> aid items in the office

#### 7.7 Financial Report (D. Black)

- See attached budget
- To date net income = \$14,913.85
- Only outstanding cheque which remains uncashed is the Craft Fair Pizza
- Change to budget "Oct. ASD Program" should read "Oct. DDP Program
- Question about the technology request from G. MacDougall's report doesn't the board supply the technology?
  - A. Murphy yes, school council cannot purchase technology for the school must come from the board, council cannot fund any technology as a learning resource
  - A. Murphy Greatest need for the school is seating for students in non structured learnings areas (i.e. picnic tables, benches)
- Move motion to fund the ASD cooking program for \$260, M. Britton 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion, all in favour for the purchasing of ingredients

Vote taken to extend the meeting (L. Robinson) – all in favour to extend another ½ hr

# 8.0 New Business: (L. Robinson)

8.1 CWSS Graduation Garden Party 2024 – request for funds and communication with parents (J. Irvine)

- See attached PowerPoint presentation
- Cumberland Museum on June 25th
- Total cost = ~\$1,500, requesting \$500 from School Council
- Communication to reach out to graduating class
- A. Murphy not a school sanctioned event; therefore, can't directly advertise the event
  - School also cannot provide student email addresses
  - o Can reach out to the graduating students with a google form and J. Irvine contact information to solicit email addresses
- L. Robinson asked about inclusivity and liability insurance
  - o J. Irvine confirmed all graduating students will be invited to the party and the liability insurance is there
- L. Robinson motion to grant the Garden Party \$500 (see attached motion), D. Black 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion, all in favour
- **8.2** Proposed information evening for parents Dr. Kim Hellemans (Carleton U.) "Building Academic Resilience to Support Student Mental Health" (A. Dugal) see attached PowerPoint presentation

• Fall – October timeframe, extended to feeder schools and other local high schools

- Cost is approximately \$560
- Facility Gloucester High School, bigger auditorium

8.3 CWSS Parking lot-permanent signage(?)

- Need new signage stop sign with the pedestrian path (A. Murphy)
- Yield sign coming out the cul-de-sac (D. Black)

# **Next Meeting:**

• The next council meeting will be Thursday, March 28/24 at 7:00 pm

# Adjournment:

• The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 pm