



GORDON SCHOOL COUNCIL

January 24, 2019

6:30 p.m.

Minutes

In attendance: Darcie Lewis, Judy Cowell, Jessica Smith, Liz Grebe, Lara Strebul, Diana Dusome, Barbara Durley, Chris Seabrook, Alison Cousineau, Lisa Mooney, Alison Steele, Leah Guitard, Lori McClay, Kim Moore

Regrets: n/a

6:30 p.m. - Chair calls to order

Adoption of last minutes

Moved by Lisa & Darcie – passed

Chair Report

PRO Grant has now been approved. \$1000 approved for Gordon to host a First Nations/Indigenous culture event – learning for parents and youth. Another \$500 PRO funding has also been allocated to support school council more broadly.

Administrators Report

- Staff are completing term 1 report cards. Coming out in two weeks.
- IEPs will follow that.
- French immersion open house had 22 families in attendance. Applications are open now.
- Next Thursday is full day kindergarten open house
- One-List – Encourage families that would be interested in before & after care in the building to share interest on the Niagara Region one list.
<https://niagara.onehsn.com/>
- Ice Dogs event next Thursday January 31. Choir to sing O Canada. 310 tickets sold for the game.
- Silver Birch (14 students involved) and Red Maple book clubs (20 participants). Ten books to choose from. They read through the term and at the end of term there is a celebration event with book related activities.

- Third week of November the kitchen renovation started. Things are starting to wrap up now and should have snack program totally upgraded in about 2 weeks.
- Looking to move to a 5-day full day food program with the Niagara Nutrition Partners in future. Was suggested by administration that council could consider offering a long term commitment to the program with something like a 10% operating cost contribution.
- PRO grant evening is in development. Staff are working on speaker options.

Financial Report

- Poinsettia's net profit was about \$1000

Parent Involvement

- nothing to report

Old or New Business

- Grade 8 grad committees bake sale at Christmas concert was very successful – will likely not need another fundraiser to fund the grad party this year. Congrats!
- Diana proposing pasta dinner for Vivian – February 23 at Casa Dante

Alison & Barbara moved to buy an ad in the yearbook for \$100. "Thank you to the teachers" Carried.

Alison & Alison moved to commit 10% annual funding to the Niagara Nutrition Partners up to \$1000
Carried.

Discussion around Spring fundraiser options. In the interest of not running too many we looked at either "Big Box Cards" or the Fun Fair.

Michelle & Barb moved to run a Fun Fair.
Carried

Lisa will chair Fun Fair event this year. Jessica will co-chair and be mentored to take over for 2020.

Alison & Michelle motioned to adjourn. Carried.

Next Meeting – March 28, 2019