

Barrhaven Public School Council Minutes

Date: Monday, November 3rd, 2014 – 7:30pm

Council Attendees: Tom Hazle, Gabe Rother, Sarah Wise, Stephanie Borrens, Michelle Ferguson, Jen Roberts, Tiffany Chant, Lisa Galley, Ellen Cotter, Denise Gagnon-Lebrun

Parent Attendees: Patricia Rollins, Wendy Wong-Lin

<u>Agenda Item</u>	<u>Discussion/Decision</u>	<u>Action Taken/Assigned</u>
1. Welcome		
2. Regular Items <i>Principal Report (Denise)</i>	<p>Walk-a-thon</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thank you for a great walk-a-thon • Students enjoyed walking around the grounds on such a beautiful day • Larger track was a success • Will try to keep in October to separate from Toonies for Terry <p>Remembrance Day</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assembly from 10:30-11:05 in the gym; parents welcome <p>Literacy Room</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Our Literacy Room is finally prepared to receive books • We are in the process of moving all of our books to a central location • Cost for the shelving was approximately 2200\$ • Kerry Randall, our Librarian is also putting all books in the Alexandria system for quick retrieval and returns. • Multi-purpose room for other uses by teachers <p>Progress Reports</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grade 1-4 going home November 13 • Indication of how well children are doing so far • Interviews Nov 20 (4:30-7:30), Nov 21 (9:15-12:25) • Parents will receive a letter to book their interviews with the progress reports (phone or in-person interviews available) 	

	<p>Hockey Day</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grades 1-4 going to see 67's on Nov 24 at Canadian Tire Centre, as a school spirit activity day • 425 of us will be attending • Buses leaving at 9:30 • Mme Denise will be singing anthem <p>Wish List</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In the past, council has supported cultural events, bussing, electronics purchases • General consensus among staff – need to get organized electronically with need to mount equipment • Cables have to be set up and put away in accordance with safety requirements • Teachers are trained on tech, but aren't optimized to use the tech • Portables to have portable tech, in-school would like to have mounted 	<p>Denise is asking council to please consider the following wish list areas: Cultural activities, Transportation for field trips, Electronics (set up for projectors and chromebooks)</p> <p>Denise is in the process of getting quotes and costs for the various areas and will introduce it at the next council meeting.</p>
<p><i>Teacher Report (Tiffany)</i></p>	<p>Walk-a-thon</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Walk-a-thon was a big success Thank you! Maybe no treats next year ... <p>Book Fair</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Scholastic English and French book fair Week of November 17-21st <p>Halloween</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lots of fun Halloween Activities planned - School Wide Parade in the morning, Witch school wide Bingo in the afternoon <p>Special Activities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monday November 24th whole school going to 67s game, JK/SKs staying here, will have a special activities day • Mme Chant's class to take place in Global Read Aloud Program and Great Holiday Card Exchange 	

	<p>Remembrance Day</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Remembrance Day ceremony on Tuesday November 11th <p>Clubs</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Choir started today (Monday first recess) • Dance Club (Grade 2s,3s,4s) started today (Monday 2nd recess) • Train Club continues (Tuesday 2nd recess) • Pet Club starts Tuesday (1st recess) • Mystery Club Thursdays (2nd recess) <p>Parent/Teacher Interviews</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thursday November 20th p.m. Parent Teacher Interviews • November 21st Parent Teacher Interviews P.A Day No School <p>School Learning Plan</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • P.A. Day went very well • School Learning Plan was developed using If ____ Then ___ statements • Teachers will begin actively sharing strategies and observations at staff meeting this week • 3 main areas: Communication, Anxiety, Varied Learning Opportunities • Literacy and numeracy will be addressed by focusing on these 3 areas (Administration is finding tools to support these strategies) <p>Tech Advisory Committee</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Schools sharing experiences • Talks about equipment (computer, projector, screen, wireless mouse and keyboard) • Next step is having everything mounted 	<p>Denise will be including list of questions and answers regarding Google system on BPS website</p>
<p><i>OCASC Report (Amy)</i></p>	<p>No update</p>	<p>(Outstanding from last meeting) Amy to look into Jockvale's online payment system experience and report at next meeting</p>

<p><i>Treasurer Report (Ellen)</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Walk-a-thon ~\$2900 less expenses • Dance ~\$340 • Deposits ~\$17400 (pizza), after expenses net ~\$4000 • Current balance ~\$24300 • Will think about fundraising depending on needs 	
<p><i>School Grounds Committee (Julie)</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No update 	
<p><i>Movie Nights (Jen)</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Friday, November 28: Doors open 6:00pm/Movie at 6:30pm • Movie will be How to Train Your Dragon 2 	<p>Jen will pop popcorn on the 28th (will arrange with Denise). Jen will pop small and large bags.</p> <p>Denise will get small popcorn bags for Council</p> <p>Jen and Lisa will each make 50 allergy-friendly treat bags</p> <p>Lisa will make flyer</p> <p>Jen will photocopy and distribute flyer to teachers on Nov. 19</p>
<p><i>Communications (Lisa)</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Found a new font • Website is working well, Lisa removed old content 	
<p>3. Items for Discussion</p> <p><i>Tummy Thyme</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Workshop is Nov.4 @ 7:00pm • 43 adults registered (30 paper RSVP; 13 email RSVP) • 18-20 children • 4 teenaged volunteers from John McRae coming to help with childcare; supervised by Amy • Workshop will take place in the library • Children will be in Mme Salajka's room (to be confirmed by Denise) • \$175.00 cost 	<p>Jen will arrange for coffee and water, as well as hummus and veggies, Brandy will bring granola bars</p> <p>Jen will make up posters to direct attendees</p> <p>Jen will bring crafts for children</p> <p>Amy and Shannon will bring games</p> <p>Denise will set up projector and chairs</p>

		Denise will look into how to acquire PRO funding (sent to Board?)
<i>Halloween Dance Post-Mortem</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Successful • Games were missed from last year 	Gabe will book Crash
<i>Walk-A-Thon Post-Mortem</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Already covered in Principal, Teacher and Treasurer's Report 	
<i>Purchasing T-Shirts</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Suggestion to have t-shirts available for each student to foster spirit and belonging • Good for spirit day, school events <p>Motion Approved: School Council will cover incremental costs associated with a \$5 tshirt offering to students on a cost recovery basis</p>	Gabe will look into pricing and least expensive design options
<i>Fundraising Possibilities</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Without a clear goal set, will hold off on decisions regarding fundraising • Ellen approximates that we have ~\$7000 to support school 	
4. Adjournment		The next meeting is Monday, December 1, 2014 in the school library at 7:30pm

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