

## **OLPH School Council Meeting**

**Wednesday, September 21, 2022 @ 7:30 pm – OLPH School & Google Meet**

**In Attendance:** Vice-Chair - Charles Ward, Treasurer - Heather Bonokoski, Secretary - Krystal Gaudet, Monique Gagnon, Renee Melanson, Nicole Seigel, Rendi Lamontagne, Jania Balog, Andrea Medvescek, Angela Marple, Keith Smits

**Staff:** Alyre Morin, Amie Gartner (teacher rep)

**Trustee:** Le-Ann Ewaskiw (Absent)

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### **CALL TO ORDER**

- Charles Ward called the meeting to order at 7:30pm.
- Prayer led by Amie Gartner.
- Acknowledgement read by Charles Ward.

### **a) APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM April 26, 2022**

- Motion to approve the minutes from April 26, 2022
- Moved by Andrea, seconded by Heather.

### **b) APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

- Motion to approve the agenda.
- Moved by Angela, seconded by Andrea.

## **I. REPORTS FROM COUNCIL**

### **a) ADMIN REPORT (A. MORIN)**

- 365 students (22 new) – school population is shrinking
- a new portable being attached to the school
- Announcements are on YouTube channel (OLPH News) daily
- Grade 8 mass took place already, other grades to follow
- Volleyball season underway
- We raised about \$1600 for Terry Fox Run
- Over 90 students applied to be a part of Linking Generations between 2 senior lodges (2 programs will run – Clover Bar Lodge on Thursdays, Silver Birch Lodge on Tuesdays) – students leave the school at 12:25 (Lists/groups will be distributed shortly)
- Quebec Trip Meeting took place – NACEL Canada is travel agent
  - Trips are Scheduled around May long
  - French has 32 participants, and English has 13. Ideally each group has 40-25 to meet the \$2000-\$2200 cost per student. Does not want to combine the English/French trip, as French would then not be immersed in French. Wants to revisit numbers and look at ways to promote the trip more (deadline was Sept 19)

- From Teachers – request for more crew-neck sweaters for new staff (5 total XL, 2L, 2M) when we do the Clothing Apparel fundraiser

## **b) EXECUTIVE REPORT (C. Ward)**

### **• INTRODUCTIONS TO SCHOOL COUNCIL**

- We want to improve kids experience; help the school and administration and we fundraise to support events we put on. School Council itself doesn't do the fundraising, the FA does, which is connected to Council
- Strongly encourage as much participation as possible, whether class rep, fundraising, volunteering for events, or roles on Council
- Charles Ward – Vice-Chair, Heather Bonokoski - Treasurer, Krystal Gaudet - Secretary, Monique Gagnon – Volunteer Coordinator, Lam Le – Special Events Coordinator. We are still missing a Chair
- One of our current execs is willing to take on the role as Chair, if no one else is interested.
  - Motion to nominate Krystal Gaudet to be Chair moved by Charles, seconded by Monique – All in favour. Motion passed
- This means our Secretary position is now vacant.
  - Motion to nominate Nicole Siegel for Secretary moved by Monique, seconded by Charles - All in favour. Motion passed.

### **• MUNCHALUNCH UPDATE**

- Munchalunch – Our new Hot Lunch Coordinator is Amanda Gaudet. She sourced all vendors and got our program up and running for the year!
- Looking for regular volunteer to commit to weekly Munchalunch sorting (kids organized by Mme. Gagnon)

### **• GRADE 8 QUEBEC TRIP UPDATE**

- interest in doing some fundraising, Andrea has stepped up as Chair (if the English trip goes ahead), and a few people put their names in for Treasurer. Proposing to do a Zoom meeting ASAP. Parents want to get going on fundraising/planning

### **• OTHER NOTES**

- Class Reps still needed – a list will go out to teachers shortly
- School Clothing Apparel is being organized right now, and ordering will hopefully take place sometime in October.
- EICS Family Wellness Workers are proposing a Cyberworld (Internet Safety) Presentation for parents to attend from Saffron Center – wanting to do a big presentation at St. T's - cost would be about \$40 total, as well as proposal that School Council help cover costs of babysitters to help get parents with young kids out. They are asking that all School Councils wanting to participate to offer this presentation help cover all costs – Date to be determined

- Motion to assist in the cost for this event moved by Charles, seconded by Krystal – All in favour. Motion passed.

## **II. NEW BUSINESS**

- N/A

## **III. UPCOMING EVENTS (C. WARD)**

- Sep 21 – Terry Fox Run
- Sep 23 – PD Day (No school)
- Sep 29 – Hot Lunch
- Sep 29 – Orange Shirt Day
- Sep 30 – National Truth & Reconciliation Day (No school)
- Oct 3 – School Pictures
- Oct 5 – Early Dismissal
- Oct 7 – PD Day (No school)
- Oct 10 – Thanksgiving (No school)
- Oct 19 - Next School Council meeting

## **IV. ADJOURNMENT**

- Motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:10 pm made by Charles, seconded by Heather

Minutes taken and prepared by Krystal Gaudet.