



Robert Hopkins School Council

Record of Discussion Thursday, November 12, 2020 6:30-8:00 p.m.

6:40 p.m.

- 1) Welcome and introductions (Maria Blahoianu, Co-Chair)
- 2) Fundraising
 - Virtual Book Fair November 23 to December 7, 2020 (Leslie King Gregory)
 - Two family nights – i.e., both Wednesdays – free shipping 6-8:00 p.m.
 - Smaller selection of books (150/450 are in French)
 - No “boutique” items
 - All orders shipped to homes (\$6 or free over \$35)
 - Classroom wishlists?
 - Anyone can buy (e.g., online learners; other community members)
 - Teacher Ask List (Andy Hall, Co-Chair)
 - Online reading resource (purchased already)
 - To be included in School Update
 - Invitation is open
 - Directives on Fundraising (Louise Hutchinson, Principal)
 - Not allowed other than Book Fair and donations
 - Tamara Taub: What if online only?
 - Louise: Equity piece; people push limits
- 3) Treasury Update (Margaret Rose, Treasurer)
 - \$2,296
 - No change
 - Andy: Expenditures on hold, including donation to Carson Grove
 - Christmas GCs?
 - Andy: Discuss at December meeting. Parent donations as a community, rather than fundraising.
 - Danielle Armengaud: How much do we typically make from Book Fair?
 - Leslie: Last couple of years, haven’t taken cash. Option to use rewards through Scholastic (better value); have \$2,851 in Scholastic credit
 - Danielle: Use for Christmas spending?

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- Margaret: Donate Scholastic credits?
 - Louise to reach out to Carson Grove Principal
- **Andy: Moves** to spend banked credits on teacher wishlists/asks and donate to Carson Grove; take this year's credits in cash
 - Donna Kind seconds
 - All in favour; none opposed
 - **Carried.**
- 4) External Meetings (Andy Hall)
 - OCASC meeting Fundraising and Outdoor Classrooms
 - Currently meeting
 - OCASC meeting - 7:00 p.m. November 19, 2020
 - Anyone interested in attending as rep?
- 5) School Update (Louise)
 - Stephanie Simonelli: Student Update
 - Students handling back to school procedures well
 - Group work looks very different; often outdoors
 - Relying on technology a lot more
 - Nicole Forget: Teacher Update
 - Jennifer Grimsey: Learning Support Update
 - Upcoming 6-week language focus
 - School Growth
 - English list at cap (waiting list)
 - Some space in French Immersion
 - No direction on people returning from virtual for New Year
 - New Library Tech hired
 - Progress Reports November 20 on Portal
 - Interview Night November 26
 - Strategic Plan for December-February (academic goals)
 - Upcoming dates:
 - November 19 – welcome to Library Tech and favourite book quote
 - November 23 – initial Book Fair Day (each class to represent a book)
 - November 15-21 – bullying awareness and prevention week
 - November 20 – National Child Day
 - New Winter Walk Route for Grade 1

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- 6) Roundtable
 - Kristin Bowden: Christmas snow gear needs?
- 7) Meeting adjourned 7:35 p.m.

Next Meeting: Thursday, December 10, 2020