

May 14, 2019

IN ATTENDANCE	TLDSB STAFF	REGRETS
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sandi Martin • Katelyn Good • Luke LaRocque • Shrey Patel 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jennifer Richter • Paul Goldring • Mike DeRose 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sam Bigley

AGENDA ITEM	DISCUSSION	ACTION ITEM
Welcome and Introductions (Katelyn Good)		
Review of Agenda (Sandi Martin)		
Review March Meeting Minutes (Sandi Martin)		
Administration Update (Jenn Richter & Paul Goldring)	<p>Thank you for Swap & Play</p> <p>Need a plan for finishing off the Gaga Ball pit:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Braces to reinforce sides • Notched top board on one side to allow access for shorter kids • Shaving down the side pieces <p>Big thank you to Katelyn for baking at Robo-Fair</p> <p>Gravenhurst Against Poverty gardens: Coon brothers bringing the dirt this week, Grade 8s to shovel in.</p> <p>Each grade to share taking care of the boxes, GAP to dictate what will be planted</p> <p>May 15th will be a busy day at GPS - Mass Band during the day, Welcome to Kindergarten is 4:30-5:30, Science North at 5pm</p> <p>Track & Field on June 5th, Regional Track & Field is in June 11th</p> <p>EQAO in the next two weeks for grade 3</p>	<p>Larry Good can make the changes if the materials are provided</p> <p>Need email signup sheets for Mandy to collect contact information at the Healthy Lunch table - template is in the GPS School Council drive</p>

	<p>& 6</p> <p>Graduation happening on June 26th</p> <p>Lots of year end trips and Wednesday swimming (Grade 3 = swim to survive, Grade 1&2 = fun swimming)</p> <p>Paul is thinking of approaching Rotary to help facilitate year-round swimming lessons/swim to survive</p>	
<p>Teacher Rep Update (Mike DeRose)</p>		
<p>Swap & Play Results (Luke LaRocque)</p>	<p>There were lots of other community events on the same weekend - it would be great to be able to communicate with other councils/community events to spread them out.</p> <p>Rough estimate - \$775 profit. Will be calculated more precisely once all expenses are accounted for.</p> <p>Home Depot donated \$1,100 of materials and \$400 of tool rentals</p> <p>Home Building Centre donated the materials for the Gravenhurst Against Poverty community gardens.</p> <p>Would it be worth it to get a small plaque with:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gaga ball rules • Donation notice from Home Depot <p>Vendor comments were that it felt less busy than it was in the past. Jacki & Luke will amp up promotion for next year as well as helping vendors promote the event to their own networks as well.</p> <p>Play vendors were really happy with attendance.</p> <p>Luke sent out a survey to all participants and will aggregate responses.</p> <p>Parent Engagement Grant covered Scales Nature Park.</p>	<p>Plaque - YES</p> <p>Luke will talk to Sublime Graphics to adapt the Beacon Gaga ball sign for GPS.</p> <p>Luke will write thank you letters to donors for Paul to sign.</p> <p>Katelyn wants to make sure we reach out to Tom at Santa's Village to use his costumes next year.</p>

<p>Fundraising & Financial Update (Katelyn Good)</p>	<p>Macmillan's: \$1,258 profit, went very smoothly</p> <p>Upcoming: Mass Band (May 15th)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Katelyn is ordering pizza and buying cupcakes <p>All School Track & Field (June 11th)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BBQ & bake sale 	<p>Need volunteers</p> <p>There are two propane tanks missing</p> <p>Would like to store the BBQ inside (Jenn & Paul will find a space for it)</p>
<p>2019/2020 Fundraising Proposals (Katelyn Good)</p>	<p>Katelyn messaged Louise Clodd to see if we can sell chocolates and is waiting to hear back. Big profit margin, easy to sell.</p> <p>Not Recipes in a Jar (low quality), not Little Caesar's (saturated around time)</p> <p>Kernel's has sent an email as well</p> <p>Christmas Tree sale - would also like to have a vendor event and a drive test event with the dealership at the same time. If we could combine it with the Christmas concert and move it to the beginning of December.</p> <p>Paul suggests a scrap metal bin or waste electronics in the Spring tied to Swap & Play - would need someone to donate the bins and a visible place to put it so people don't dump garbage</p> <p>AAA Events - Character Parties</p> <p>Movies in the gym</p> <p>Ongoing Boston Pizza - 10% of receipt with GPS written on it is donated back to the school - have asked that we promote that in the Newsletter</p> <p>Macmillan's is a good one - Spring because the meat products are also sold at the same time.</p> <p>Domino's gift card sale \$25 for book of coupons and school gets \$17 from each one.</p> <p>Paul would love for our fundraisers to be targeted at non-parents - like the lottery tickets at Winewood Variety. There's a broker that facilitates - and we would</p>	<p>Paul will look into the lottery ticket idea with the broker + the board</p> <p>Luke will aggregate the information and send out an email so we can evaluate and decide</p> <p>Types of events:</p> <p>Ongoing passive:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Boston Pizza • Lotteries & Tickets <p>High Touch Events:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Swap & Play • Spaghetti Dinner with Boston Pizza & Character Parties • ChristmasTree Event <p>Low Touch Annual Events:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Online Auction • Products (like MacMillan's, etc.) <p>School Food & Bake Sale Events:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Track & Field • Robo-Fair • Tournaments

	<p>need to get somewhere like Jug City to host it. Beechgrove makes \$20K from the tickets and then bring in ~\$4K from other fundraisers</p> <p>Account balance = \$8,375 balance and expectation of \$1,500 from Track & Field</p>	
<p>Parents Reaching Out Grant (Katelyn Good & Luke LaRocque)</p>	<p>Science North \$350 - Tim Horton's donating food, have increased pizza order. Only 10% (\$100) of PRO Grant can be used for food, so Council will pay for the rest of the food.</p> <p>Mandy staffing the healthy lunch table</p> <p>Sandi, Luke, & Katelyn will be around to facilitate Science North stuff</p> <p>\$550 available for Board game night. Val at Synapse Games is going to bring games from a STEM/Art perspective. She's recommended a list of games. Families will attend for free, we will buy the games to play that day, following that it the games will be part of our lending library at GPS. She's also going to bring her tester games to supplement. She's going to create a 1-pager for each of the games that families can take home.</p> <p>Will pull down the tables for game play, and also play a giant group Codename Pictures game on the screen. Could also run a giant Jeopardy or Family Feud.</p> <p>Katelyn will arrange hot dogs on the BBQ</p> <p>Tuesday June 4th in the evening</p>	<p>Luke will coordinate with Val and create a piece for the newsletter</p>
<p>Next Year's Council Roles (Sandi Martin)</p>	<p>Need to let parents know that there will be roles available next year for School Council</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sandi will not be in a role next year 	<p>Jenn will put it out in the newsletter. Paul suggests that word of mouth is a good way to get more people interested.</p>
<p>Other Business (Sandi Martin)</p>	<p>What is the policy for parents who choose to hold their children out of EQAO?</p> <p>The letter we received at home this afternoon says "students will be required</p>	<p>There is no such thing as a publicly available, written school policy about EQAO - principles were directed by the TLDSB board on Friday May 10th that children not writing EQAO were</p>

	<p>to write EQAO” but says nothing about them having to stay home for two weeks.</p> <p>This is a bad policy.</p> <p>Further, families that may not understand the requirements are not receiving clear communication that allows them to make the best decision for their family. It’s not fair to families who may not have the time or ability to advocate for themselves and their children for the school and the board to be unclear about this or to change the policy with only a week’s notice.</p> <p>It’s a Martin family personal decision that Oscar will not miss school because of EQAO, we were told last week that he could come to school, and we intend to proceed with that plan.</p>	<p>to stay at home all day for the entire two week period. Letter went home on May 14th.</p> <p>It used to be that parents who held their kids out of EQAO testing would be asked to keep their kids out until the test-taking period was over but could stay on non-test days and after testing.</p> <p>In Paul’s opinion, writing a standardized test in grade 3 & 6 is good for kids who will eventually have to write a graded standardized test in grade 10.</p>
<p>Next Council Meeting Dates:</p>	<p>Tuesdays at 6PM - sandwiches provided June 18</p>	<p>Bring a new person to council + receive a chocolate treat</p>