

École St. Germain Parent Advisory Council Meeting

Wednesday May 7, 2014, 7:00pm, ESG Library

Meeting Minutes

Attending: Mme. Amy Haworth, Cindy Baerr, Sharon Coughlan, Susanne Dandenault, Jodi Dick, Loralei Douglas, Dana Forsyth, Alison Huppe, Tracy Igonia, Audra Peters, Meaghen Shangreux, Suzanne Suzio.

Regrets: M. Alain Nault, Lisa Brown, Melonie Cleutinx, Inga Sif Kristjansdottir, Michelle Lagadi, Nicole Hohner, Kim McDonald, Nicole Medland, Marcia Neufeld, Bev Padeanu, Aimie Panteluk, Denise Pope, Mare Richardson, Heike Sobkow, Jan Thiessen.

Guests: Dave Richardson, Sandy Nemeth, Kristine Posthumus, Sherri Tufford.

1. **Call to Order:** 7:02 pm

2. **Approval of Agenda:** motioned by Alison Huppe, seconded by Sharon Coughlan.
PASSED

3. **Approval of Minutes for April 2014:** motioned by Meaghen Shangreux, seconded by Jodi Dick. **PASSED**

4. **Welcome all members and guests** – Welcome guests Dave Richardson and Sandy Nemeth, School Board Trustees. Welcome to guests Kristine Posthumus and Sherri Tufford. Motion made by Audra Peters for Kristine Posthumus and Sherri Tufford to become members of PAC, seconded by Jodi Dick. **PASSED.**

5. **Treasurer's Report** – 2013-2014 year-end financial review completed by Alison Huppe, Jodi Dick and Melanie Cleutinx. Recent fundraisers were very successful: \$4000 Sobeys & \$2080 Show-n-Save. See Appendix A for April 2014 financials.

6. **Committee Reports** –

- o Education Committee – Nothing to report.
- o Environment Committee – \$680 is available for flowers, etc for the front of school.
- o Fundraising Committee – Fundraising completed for the year, reporting will be provided at the June PAC meeting.

7. **New Business:**

- o Volunteers needed for planting flowers, topping up soil and mulch in front of school. Marcia Neufeld, Sharon Coughlan and Sherri Tufford volunteered.
- o Ecole George McDowell PAC funds - Alain Nault, Cindy Baerr and Alison Huppe met with 2 Julie Riel PAC members to discuss scenarios. LRSD will not be contributing to EGM PAC. Sharon Coughlin motioned to contribute up to \$2000 for EGM PAC start up, seconded by Kristine Posthumus. **PASSED.** A final decision on the dollar amount will be made at the June PAC meeting.

- Welcome to Dave Richardson & Sandy Nemeth, Trustees: Sandy is Chairing Community Connections Committee. Looking at ways to facilitate engagement and discussion with key stakeholders. Focus on importance of public education and the role of school boards and trustees. Three main roles:
 1. Set strategic direction of school board (eg use of technology, more opportunity to use French language skills).
 2. Develop priorities that allow the division to meet end goals (eg. engagement, literacy). Superintendent is then tasked with work the trustees set out.
 3. Budget

Sandy posed two questions:

- What are PACs fundraising for? ESG PAC: has funded technology, ipads, water filling station, greening projects, phys-ed, grade 8 farewell, clubs, patrols/lunch monitors, scholarships, staff appreciation)
- Do we use MAPC services? ESG PAC has not generally used MAPC services.

8. Unfinished Business: No unfinished business.

9. Administrator's Report : Mme. Haworth

Upcoming dates:

- May 5 Music Monday
- May 16 PD, No school
- May 14 Band concert, 7 pm at the Centennial Concert Hall
- May 29 Dance in the Park (rain date June 4)
- May 29 École George McDowell Rally Day
- June 6 PD, No school

Other notes: 280 Guests on Senior's day!

Congratulations to 4 of our staff members nominated for employee recognition awards:

- Jeanne Remillard
- Bridget Bourbonnais
- Rachel Lagacé
- Sam Matychuk

Class configurations for 2014-15:

Kindergarten	4 classes
Grade 1	4 classes
Grade 2	4 classes
Grade 3	3 classes
Grade 4	2 classes
Grade 4/5	1 class
Grade 5	2 classes

Requests:

- Concerts next year
- Terry Fox Run in September (parents to volunteer)
- Photos and composites
- June 20th Transition Day (BBQ and outside activities) - Looking for 3 volunteers to work with committee. Alison Huppe, Tracy Igonia, Cindy Baerr and Meaghen Shangreaux volunteered. Tracy Igonia motioned that PAC support up to \$1500 for Transition Day BBQ. Seconded by Alison Huppe. PASSED.

10. Next meeting – June 4, 2014 at 7:00, followed up by refreshments at a local establishment. Meeting adjournment 8:30 pm.

APPENDIX A

Ecole St. Germain Parent Advisory Council				
April 2014 Financial Statement				
Account Balance at April 1, 2014				\$6,416.99
Credits:				
		Interest	\$2.61	
		Sobeys/Show and Save Fundraiser	\$44,160.00	
		Total Credits		\$44,162.61
Debits:				
	#168	MB Chess Association	-\$100.00	
	#174	Staff Appreciation	-\$40.04	
	#175	Babysitting- March 2014	-\$20.00	
	#176	Patrols February & March 2014	-\$120.00	
	#177	Sobeys Fundraiser	-\$36,000.00	
		Total Debits		-\$36,280.04
Account Balance at April 30, 2014				\$14,299.56
Plus Future Income				
		Total Future Income		\$0.00
Less Future Commitments:				
		Greening Project	-\$431.65	
		Shrubs	-\$257.38	
		CJS Scholarship 2013/2014	-\$500.00	
		Student Leadership (patrols, etc.)	-\$650.00	
		Babysitting for PAC meetings	-\$10.00	
		Staff Appreciation Week	-\$143.01	
		Grade 8 Farewell Dinner (\$15/student)	-\$810.00	
		PAC costs	-\$240.94	
		Microwaves	-\$58.74	
		Book Club	-\$200.00	
		Total Debits		-\$3,301.72
Total Funds Available				\$10,997.84