

**JOYCEVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOL ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING**  
**NOVEMBER 2, 2022**  
**DRAFT**

**Present:** A. Currie, D. Maillet, E. Brothers, J. Paquin, A. Domingo, K. Beach, K. Greenlees, K. McPherson, C. Stevenson, S. Kauenhofen, K. Kaupp, J. Salmon, V. Donaldson

**Welcome:** A. Currie and J. Paquin welcomed everyone to our meeting.

**Approval of Previous Minutes:** E. Brothers made the motion to accept the minutes from the previous meeting held on 22 September 2022. The motion was seconded by K. McPherson. A vote was taken and the minutes were passed.

**Agenda:** K. McPherson made the motion to accept the agenda. This was seconded by K. Greenlees. A vote was taken and the agenda was accepted.

**Review of Previous Action Items:**

**Parent Involvement Committee** – A. Currie will be participating for our school.  
The meeting is being held next Wednesday 9 November and will be virtual.

**Treasurer Report** – E. Brothers will advise on the grant money account during the presentation of the financial situation.

**Expenditures from SAC Account** – The grade 8 graduation donation has been completed. The insurance for the school council has also been paid.

**Expenditures from Bingo Account** – Following is the status on the approved expenditures:

- \$10.00 per student – not yet paid out
- \$300.00 to French Class Mr. Fleet – not yet paid out
- \$150.00 to Planning Teacher – not yet paid out
- \$1600.00 to cover bus costs for trips – not yet paid out

**The status of these items will be discussed at the next meeting.**

- \$750.00 Consumables – this is being worked on. We may move some old sports equipment from the gym to the outside items.
- Outdoor Shed – This item will be completed in the spring.
- Wagon – This item will be purchased in the spring.

**Fundraiser Ideas** – The Christmas Room will be managed by K. Beach and S. McKane. A notice will be sent home to parents in November. The dates for the room will be December 13, 14 and 15. If anyone is

able to help out please let one of these ladies know. If any other assistance is required, we will be advised. **Action: K. Beach/  
S. McKane**

The tree seedlings were discussed. There is concern about the seedlings not surviving the winter prior to planting. There are a few other options to be looked into. A. Currie will contact S. McKane about this fundraiser. A notice will need to be sent out soon to parents. **Action: A. Currie**

The members discussed the possibility of selling the poinsettias if we are not able to sell the seedlings. D. Maillet will contact the company to see if we are within the time frame needed to sell. **Action: D. Maillet**

The idea of holding a spring dance was presented. This would involve the entire family with other activities as well. A suggestion of a disc jockey being there was also presented. This item will be further discussed at our next meeting in January.

Cookbook Cook Off – It was suggested that perhaps this could be held at the country fair. This will be discussed at the country fair meeting.

**Country Fair** – A. Currie had previously sent out an email to all council members asking interest in holding the country fair. The majority vote was to hold the Country Fair. After a brief discussion, it was agreed the date will be June 3, 2023. The country fair meeting will be held on January 11, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. All are invited to attend.

**Milk Orders** – The milk orders have started. The question was raised about what happens to the milk and pizza orders if a child is absent. The pizza is given to another student as it can't be kept until the next day. It was suggested that a tick box be placed on the order form for both milk and pizza that can be checked by parents if they wish to have these given to another student. J. Paquin will talk to the appropriate individuals.

**Action: J. Paquin**

**Pittsburgh Benefit Fund** – D. Maillet explained what was discussed at the benefit meeting. It was felt that we should proceed with asking

for a donation for playground equipment. K. Beach will contact Holy Name School to find out about their proposal last year.

**Action: K. Beach**

**Principals/ Vice Principals Report:** The Principals/Vice Principals report notes are attached for easy reference.

**Voting at the School:** J. Paquin advised that concern had been raised about holding voting at our school for the community. A letter has been forwarded to the Superintendent and J. Paquin will contact the city.

**Action: J. Paquin**

**Treasurer's Report:** We currently have \$4077.59 in our school advisory account. There is \$3500.00 in the grant account. This money did not show in the print out this month. E. Brothers will continue to work with B. Scott about our accounts. We also have \$18000.00 in our bingo account. We will have to use the general school advisory account to cover costs for the country fair.

**Action: E. Brothers**

**Wish List Items:** J. Paquin and A. Domingo requested that the following items be purchased for the school from the bingo account:

- School Pinnies – it was agreed that we would like to have school pinnies for students to wear at upcoming sporting events. This will benefit all students. Our school will be easily identified by the pinnies. It was agreed that they would be maroon and gold and the logo screened on. An email will be sent to the bingo committee to ask for approval. **Action: K. Greenlees**
- Technology - Individual Devices – A. Domingo requested that we purchase additional Chrome books or IPADS for the students. Again, these will be used by all students. A. Domingo will investigate the cost of these items and advise K. Greenlees who will send out an email to the bingo committee for approval. **Action: K. Greenlees**
- Colour House T-Shirts – A question was raised if the colour shirts for the colour houses has been received. J. Paquin will discuss this item with M. Robertson.  
**Action: J. Paquin**

**School Advisory Council Room:** K. Beach advised that this room desperately needs cleaning. After discussion, it was agreed that K. Beach, D. Maillet and K. Greenlees would arrange to come into the school to clean out this room. We will be at the school on November 25<sup>th</sup> to sort through the room if anyone wants to help out.

**Action: K. Beach/D. Maillet/K. Greenlees**

**Correction of Thank You to Bingo Committee:** A. Currie requested that we ensure that the appropriate committee is thanked for items that are purchased for the school in the future.

**Movie Night:** This will be held on 24 November 2022. As per other years, the doors will open at 6:00 p.m. and the movie will start at 6:30 p.m. A list of the tasks that need to be completed will be sent out by D. Maillet to all members to sign up. All parents/guardians are encouraged to attend. The movie agreed upon will be Minions the Rise of Gru. If the proposed strike is still occurring, the movie night will not be able to be held.

**Action: D. Maillet**

**Book Fair Shopping:** K. Beach advised that a notice will be sent home with parents to advise about the book fair and the particulars on it. This will also be open during the movie night for parents to purchase books. Parent volunteers are required. If you can help, please let K. Beach know.

**Christmas Dinner:** The annual Christmas Dinner sponsored by the School Advisory Committee will be held on December 14, 2022. Julie Cameron from Bayridge High School has graciously agreed to cook our dinner and will deliver it to the school. She is not able to stay to serve it so volunteers will be needed. A list of tasks will be sent out by A. Currie and D. Maillet to everyone for sign up.

**Action: A. Currie/D. Maillet**

**Holiday Concert:** Discussion took place about the possibility of holding a holiday concert for the community. After discussion, it was agreed that a video from all classes would be done instead. This is due to COVID concerns regarding the number of people in the gym at one time. A. Domingo will be in charge of making the video.

**Action: A. Domingo**

**Next Meeting:** The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 1 February 2023 at 6:00 p.m. in the library.

**Adjournment of Meeting:** K. McPherson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by D. Maillet. A vote was taken and the meeting was adjourned.

## Principal's Update

### Joyceville Public School

November 2, 2022 - SAC Meeting @ 6pm

#### Here is a look at what is happening at Joyceville!

- ❖ Choir – Choir is up and running with Mrs. Lavergne, students practice during the week at recess for upcoming Remembrance Day video
- ❖ Volleyball – Mrs. Norman and Mr. Guild have started volleyball practice for Intermediate Boys and Girls, practicing at recess – a lot of interest and turnout! Great to see!
- ❖ Chess Club - M. Fleet has the chess club meeting weekly at recess. There is an upcoming tournament opportunity in December hosted by Molly Brant PS, M. Fleet is working out the details and costs associated.
- ❖ Quebec City – We hosted an information night for parents, a Q&A opportunity. Trip is scheduled for May 30, 31, June 1st. Weekly pizza profits will off-set costs for families.
- ❖ Remembrance Day - M. Fleet is organizing our Remembrance Day activities. Classes are contributing pictures, videos, etc., and he will compile the video to be shared in the classrooms on Nov 11<sup>th</sup>. A school-wide moment of silence will be observed at 11am that morning.
- ❖ Swim to Survive – The Grade 3's had a successful session at Swim to Survive. The last of 3 sessions was on Oct 31<sup>st</sup>.
- ❖ Fall Fun Halloween – A lot of fun was had at our Fall Fun Halloween Event! The students had a parade through the halls, took part in many themed crafts, and danced their hearts out at our afternoon dance! Thanks to Bingo for covering the cost of our Live DJ! The students loved it!
- ❖ Musical Instruments – Our musical instruments received a tune up from Long & McQuaide and have been returned to the school. Our teachers Mr. Spiers (Glenburnie) and Mrs. Lavergne have taken the lead on getting music programs going at the schools. Instrumental music/band will be offered at school.
- ❖ Public Health, Uptick in student absences – Public Health issued a letter that was shared with our community on Oct. 26<sup>th</sup>, noting the rise in student absences at Joyceville; 35-40% of our school population was absent, most due to symptoms of illness. Since then, attendance has been improving with many students returning.
- ❖ Public Health Resources – Our school-based public health nurse, Peter Bearse, shared that KFL&A Public Health has resources for parents that can be shared and programs/presentations

can be brought into the school for students in classroom. He is asking for feedback on what the community feels are important topics to address and is offering his assistance in bringing information to our community. (e.g., healthy eating, substance use/abuse, sedentary behaviour, physical activity, growth & development, mental health and wellness)

- ❖ Progress Report Cards - Progress reports will be sent home on November 18<sup>th</sup>. The reports are an initial snapshot of how students are doing at school so-far.
  
- ❖ PA (Professional Activity) Day – Monday, October 24<sup>th</sup> - Professional development continued for our staff using our guiding questions of: For whom is the current education system not working and why? How do I/we know? What can I/we try? What are we, or what am I, going to do differently moving forward? Staff had time to collaborate with grade partners, review data and assessment tools, and to review and reflect on current classroom practices.
  
- ❖ Pending CUPE Job Action update – See letter attached (as shared to families on Nov 2)