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**Glen Ogilvie School Council Meeting
Wednesday, September 10, 2014**

1. Approval of agenda and Chair's remarks

- Friday Open house in library 8-10am for new parents; information about school council and information for parents and families new to the school
- Volunteer list circulated for various jobs available to council members for Open House event
- Meet the teacher Sept 16 5:30pm to 7:30pm: pizza dinner, drinks, baked goods
- Volunteer list circulated for jobs available at Meet the teacher Night
- Both events advertised on GOSC website and blue info sheet going home with students
- Constitution: ratifying at AGM; draft copy available
- New constitution is easier to read; the old constitution was 10 years old, and needed to clarify election processes
- Will be approved at AGM

Approved: Lara

Seconded: Tanya M.

2. Approval of June minutes

- No concerns or changes to make

Approved: Michelle M

Seconded: Rob Cosh

3. Treasurer's report

- Not a lot of activity in July
- \$2500 for curling equipment and \$500 for library fund paid out over summer
- \$9000 in pending items
- Current working balance of \$6800
- Spent the money we raised last year, last year
- Thank you to Rob and Heather for looking over books from last year

Approved: Heather M

Seconded: Troy

4. Principal/Vice-Principal Report

- Glen O is currently at 450 children and will find out Sept 16 if new classes will be collapsed; waiting to see what board decides
- Wonderful start up to the school year; smoothest start-up yet
- \$1000 for equipment to use on yard; surveyed home room teachers and all were happy with idea
- Steve Lamotagne will help them sort out what supplies to get for each class
- Ms. Bain would like to involve student population; she wants to hear from kids what they would like and take under advisement when allocating supplies
- School logo: was narrowed down to 4 options; the students chose a dragon logo; tweaking at design department at school board; hope to unveil in October
- School clothing: Pam (office administrator) would like to know if school council will be involved in the planning of that initiative; Jessica F will touch base with Lesley Ireton as she was interested in the past
- YMCA advertisement inspired idea: Ms. Bain would like student photos from Glen O to be posted on a poster to encourage strong community ties within school and connectedness of teachers and children
- L399 bus arrival and departure unacceptable; Pamela has already made the call to fix this issue

EXTRA NOTE: Sandra Schwartz: running for School Trustee;

- *School council chair in the past for her children's school*
- *Flyers will be distributed*
- *Campaigning on her own, lives in Beacon Hill*
- *Website explaining platform*
- *Better communication between board and community; both school and broader community*

5. Teacher's Report (Charlotte McRae)

- Steve Lamotagne has started running club Tuesday and Thursday for grade 1 and 2; Monday, Wednesday and Friday for grades 3, 4, 5
- Terry Fox Run: will be Sept 24, kick off assembly the week before; students will stay on school property, using the perimeter of school
- Letters will go home on Sept 15 after kick off assembly
- Staff appreciates annual contribution and support by school council
- Choir will be starting soon; dates TBA

6. Committee Reports

- a. Fundraising** – need a fundraising goal for this year; teacher/staff not able to pinpoint a goal at this point

- Possibly use "greening of the school" as a goal for now until next meeting
- QSP: worked in the fall in the past 6 years; deadline usually first week of October; do not sign a contract with them
- 2nd fundraiser: usually Norcard; this fundraiser has been replaced with gift cards; more information will be available and a vote on this initiative will be taken at AGM; Nora would like to start this fundraiser in November to prepare for holiday season and she would like to reintroduce it in January and continue with monthly sales if possible
- Can have input back from teachers in 2 weeks for AGM on what a good fundraising goal for 2014/2015 would be
- Council approves Nora to go ahead with ordering QSP folders

b. Communications – Rob Cosh

- The GOSC website has been re-organized and is easier to read
- Anti-spam legislation requires that people re-subscribe to GOSC
- Need to send out emails to current subscribers and spend this year rebuilding the list
- Rob hopes to return to issuing a bi-weekly newsletter

7. Old Business

- Lice Update: in order to be distributed to families, needs to be either a Glen O resource (which it is not), or endorsed by school council
- Discussion about adding logo to lice fact sheet for parents
Motion to Approve this addition to fact sheet: unanimous vote in favour

8. New Business

a. Meeting/Event dates 2014/15:

- Regular council meetings 7pm wed in library at Glen Ogilvie PS
- Dates for council meetings are as follows:
 - o Oct 8
 - o Nov 19
 - o Jan 21
 - o Feb 18
 - o March 11
 - o April 15
 - o May 20
- Year end meeting in June, usually have it outside the school
- Halloween dance planned for Thursday Oct 30
- Spring dance planned for Thursday April 23
- Story night during reading week planned for May 6 from 6-8pm in the gym at GOPS
- Suggestion of ad hoc events such as bowling or bingo nights would need coordinators for these events

- Food program days: milk starts Sept 29, hot dog days are the first Wednesday of every month, and the other Wednesdays in the month are pizza days
 - Yola has offered to run popcorn days; this is considered an extra food by the Ministry health guidelines
 - Meetings for tabulating food orders; Thurs, Friday and Tuesday morning of this and next week; evening times can be made available if people are interested
- b. ***Nominations for 2014/15 school council*** (elections held at upcoming AGM)
- Interested in being a parent member, soft nomination form
 - Positions available: fundraising co-chair; curriculum and student achievement, Nutrition, OCASC rep, secretary, chair, treasurer, communications
 - If becoming parent member, commitment for quorum
 - Nominations must be in by September 16th
- c. ***Hallowe'en Dance Planning***
- Event planned for October 30, planning at Oct 8th meeting

9. Approval of Monies to be Spent

- Cannot approve amounts greater than \$1000
- \$625 needed for Jk/Sk to support 10 teachers/ECE's for classroom supplies etc
- \$525 for 7 classrooms grades 1-5 English program
- \$750 for 10 classrooms grades 1-5 French immersion
- \$775 for 12 non-homeroom/support
- Total: \$2675
- Principal's fund: \$300 to start-up

Approved: by all members present

10. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn: Lisa Seconded by; Rob Cosh

**Next Meeting – Oct 8, 2014 – School Library
AGM – Wed Oct 1, 2014 – School Library**