



Eastview Horizon

# November Meeting Minutes

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Present: Fiona, Felicia, Cheryl, Leslea, Nicole, , Bonnie, Nick, Beth, Warda Azzam, and Samir Azzam

Student Representatives: Dunya, Autumn, and Kayleigh

Regrets: Chris & Stephanie

## AGENDA

**Land Acknowledgement** – Mr. Arundine

**Welcome** Everyone, especially to our student representatives.

**Fundraising Update** – Catalogue Fundraiser, already earned just over \$300. Online until November 18, 2022. Mr. Arundine & Ms. McMullen will send out a whole-school, Messenger message & Edsby reminders.

**School Sign Fundraising** – Looking at approaching the local businesses to fundraise for the school sign. Businesses would be recognized on a plaque or something similar. Looking at the cost of school sign – \$30,000 to \$40,000.

**Establishing Committees** – looking to table this until the next meeting.

**Fundraising** – Students asked why the school cannot accept cash. Students had a few other ideas to share but unfortunately there are many policies to follow with collecting school cash. Mr. Arundine indicated that the schools are trying to get away from accepting all of the money. Can we put the message

out to parents to try and use the eCheck option, as opposed to the Visa option, that will charge the school. Grade 8 students will look at the cost of their fundraising and if it will be shared among the School Council Fundraising Days.

Ms. Bissonnette asked if teachers could approach the Council for assistance with funding trips. Historically, teachers have come to the meeting to request funds. Requests will be taken and approved on a case-by-case basis. The teacher can also have the Teacher Rep present their request at the meeting.

**Student Reps** had some other fundraising ideas – Loonie for License, have more food days – pizza, yogurt, sell more special food items, have a movie night, do surveys on Edsby, more dances, like a winter and spring dance, Pasta Day.

**Music Express** – Mr. James has requested the bus for the choir (90 students), to go to the Dress Rehearsal on November 22, 2022 for 2 buses \$305. Performance will be on December 3, 2022 at L'Essor.

**Loonie for License – Thursday, November 17, 2022** – classes will choose their 5 options and submit to the office for approval by Monday, November 7, 2022. Student reps will come up with some announcements to share on the 14<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup>.

**MOTION** – all monies raised from the Loonie for License day on November 17, 2022 will go toward the Music Express. Moved by Fiona. Seconded by Cindy. All in favour. None opposed. Carried.

**Spirit of Christmas** – Mr. Casey, Ms. Diters, Ms. Adamo, Mr. Peterson, 4 classes going.

**MOTION** – Each class will be given \$100 to use toward field trips or classroom experiences of their choice. Note, this will be approximately \$2300 in funds. Moved by Fiona. Seconded by Felicia. All in favour. None opposed. Carried.

**MOVIE NIGHT – Pre-ordered food and treats with a movie ticket.**

Tentative Date: Movie Night for the whole school community. Friday, December 16, 2022. Movie can be decided at a later time.

**Book Fair - Ms. Wakeman shared with Ms. McMullen and she reported that:**

**Friday November 11 - set up; Preview Day will be Monday, November 14.**

Open for sales during the week of November 15 to 17, 2022 with the Family Event on the 17<sup>th</sup> from 3:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Fiona indicated that she would be available to help.

Felicia shared that she is very happy with the transition of the two schools and the two sets of students and staff. Opportunities are plentiful at the larger school.

### **PRINCIPAL'S REPORT**

**Update on construction** - opening perhaps in January but there are some complications with arrival of some items. Mr. Arundine indicated he would share updates as he receives them.

**Fundraising** - Food Days are on a 3-week rotation, and will continue until December.

**Cereal Drive** - Kim McInley has indicated that Eastview Horizon will be a recipient of this.

**OSNP** - All funds have been allocated to the schools that applied for the OSNP funding. Danielle Findley has reached out and indicated there are other options to request Grant Monies. Wal-Mart giving program up to \$1000, Metro Green Apple Grant up to \$2000, and "Toonies for Tummies" through Sobey's and Metro.

**SCHOOL UNIFORMS** - \$2700 for just a set of Volleyball Uniforms. Mr. Arundine was going to approach the Optimist Club of Forest Glade to provide some funding.

**PROGRESS REPORTS** - Sent home on November 14, 2022; Parent/Teacher Interview are being held on November 17, 2022

**DISMANTLING ANTI-BLACK RACISM** - GECDsB has a report that they have worked on with several community partners.

Highlight a few things: at this time, black staff, black students, black parents, continue to feel marginalized in some way (academics, participation,

there is still racism present). The Board has put together a strategy to dismantle this and there is an urgency to tackle this so that everyone feels safe and welcomed when they come into our schools (student, guest, occasional teachers, parents, etc.) Professional Development is being given to our staff, and it takes being brave and having courageous conversations. Understanding our own privileges and our own biases. It is a journey and we will continue to work hard and move forward quickly with this. Many of our PD days are devoted to this topic.

**LABOUR DISRUPTION** - Please refer to the school website or Edsby regarding what might be happening on Friday and further into the next week. Please be aware of GECDSB and not the co-terminous board. Be aware of accurate information that will be shared. Messaging from the Board will be sent out.

**Next Meeting : Wednesday, November 30, 2022 at 5:15 p.m.**

**Motion to Adjourn: Moved by Felicia. Seconded by Fiona.**

**Meeting Adjourned: 7:10 p.m.**