

## **SAC Minutes: January 16<sup>th</sup>, 2017 @ 6:00PM**

**Present:** Laura Vermeer (chair), Tammy Meloche (principal), Bruno Pallotto (vice-principal), Shelley Smith (staff representative), Paula Munday (secretary), Heidi Spring (treasurer), Jody Wipp, Niki Fowler, Amanda Park, Kimberly Smith, Stephanie Philips, Karin Fedak, Rebecca Tonon, Marianne Lee

**Regrets:** Kelly Stack, Beth Ashby, Sonya Sartori, Nathan Hill

**Welcome:** Welcome back for the New Year.

### **Adoption of Minutes:**

**Motion to adopt minutes from November 2016 as distributed made by Karin Fedak, seconded by Amanda Park. Carried.**

### **Principal's Report:**

**Thank You:** Thank you to Laura Vermeer, Heidi Spring, and all the volunteers for the Christmas Bazaar and Turkey lunch. There was a lot of positive feedback from staff and students.

**Progress Reports:** Reports will go out on February 13<sup>th</sup> and parent teacher interviews will be on February 16<sup>th</sup>. Once again, parents can sign up online for their teacher appointments.

**EDSBY:** EDSBY release for Essex Public will be in September 2017 to ensure that teachers and parents have solid software training.

**IB Program:** The International Baccalaureate program will be offered out of Leamington and Riverside High School. There will be a presentation next week for grade eight students to see if there is any interest.

**Mental Health Seminars:** Electronics Addiction—January 25<sup>th</sup> at the Roma Club, January 26<sup>th</sup> Caboto Club. Building Resiliency—February 5<sup>th</sup> at the Roma Club, February 23<sup>rd</sup> at the Caboto Club. Stress in Children and Youth—March 23<sup>rd</sup> at the Caboto Club, March 29<sup>th</sup> at the Roma Club.

**Kindergarten Registration:** The annual registration evening will take place on February 22<sup>nd</sup> from 5:00–7:00. SAC members are welcome to attend.

**Storybook Early Learning:** The new site for this daycare will be at Sun Parlour. Donations will be accepted at Sun Parlour between 9:00–5:00 each day. Consumables and craft supplies are needed, and donations can be made at the Royal Bank.

### **Vice Principal's Report:**

**Teams:** Senior boys' and girls' basketball is up and running. Skipping has also started again.

**Guest Speaker:** The Ned Show is coming to do an assembly at Essex Public on February 24<sup>th</sup>. Grades K–3 will be in the morning, and grades 4–8 will be in the afternoon. The Ned Show's presentation ties in very well with our school messages and includes anti-bullying and being a friend. There is no cost for the show, and the school will sell The Ned Show's promotional yo-yos after the show.

**Mindforce:** There will be a Mindforce team running at EPS. This activity is based around problem solving and creative team building. More details are forthcoming

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*EDHS:* The grade eight open house is on January 18<sup>th</sup>, and registration will open at 6:00PM. The evening will run until 8:30PM.

### **Financial Report:**

Bank balances as of January 16<sup>th</sup>, 2017

Chequing Account: \$17,390.86

Playground Account: \$10,109.56

***Motion to purchase ten additional tables when they are on sale for \$79.99 made by Jody Wipp, seconded Heidi Spring. Carried.***

### **General Business:**

*Turkey Luncheon:* Thank you to Ms. Mallenfant-Bosse—the food was excellent and on time. Sandwiches and soup were also very good. There was extra food, the lines went quickly, and two serving stations worked well. Thank you also to Libro Credit Union for the turkey donations and the help. Thank you to other community members such as Foodland and No Frills for their donations. Feedback for the future—students would like the juice to be colder, and more volunteers for younger students would be good.

*Christmas Bazaar:* Selection of items was very good, and the baked goods were set out as groups came through. Vendors had a good selection of child appropriate items, and the re-gifting table also went well.

*Hot Lunches:* Online orders only is much easier on staff/volunteers. Pizza orders will still have cash payments available, and any challenges with ordering are being resolved. SAC will attempt to receive feedback from parents to determine which, or both, programs will be running next year.

*Teacher Request:* Ms. Armstrong is asking for a donation to support the school's drama program to cover upgrades to the sound equipment and other costs associated with this year's play.

***Motion to contribute \$1000 to the drama program made by Kim Smith, seconded Rebecca Tonon. Carried.***

*Mr. Harris:* Mr. Harris usually runs a Vesey's Bulb fundraiser for a band trip, and he has requested that either he run the fundraiser (if we are not planning to run it) or that profits from band members be applied to their band trip. SAC decided that band students going on the trip will have their profits put toward the trip.

### **New Business:**

*None*

### **Date for Next Meeting:**

Monday, February 13<sup>st</sup>, 2016 @ 6PM

### **Adjournment:**

***Motion to adjourn at 7:45PM made by Heidi Spring, seconded by Paula Munday. Carried.***