

Manor Park School Council and Home and School Association Meeting Minutes

June 21st, 2012
MPPS Library

Present:

Shari Brodie	Celeste Gibson	Mike McMullen	Kathryn Pizana
Wendy Colthart	Nancy Grinberg	Tammy Moffatt	Leigh Anne Richardson
Jen Coulas	Amy Hannah	Sue Noble	Caroline Schamerhorn
Bruce Devenny	Daniela Humeniuk	Tami O'Dette	Susan Steele
Laura Frappier			Erin Yoshida

Meeting of the Manor Park School Council

Welcome:

Meeting called to order at 7:00pm by Leigh Anne.

May 2012 minutes amended by the addition of "Move to apply for a PRO grant for parent resource lending library materials. Approved." Approved as amended.

Principal's Report:

- Shari provided an update on new staff hired: a grade 5 FI teacher, Ms. Plamondon will be the grade 4/5 teacher, a grades 4-6 English teacher, and an English kindergarten teacher. Five ECEs hired for full day kindergarten.
- Amy appointed principal of Connaught PS.
- Workshops were held last week by the Board for kindergarten teachers and ECEs. Renovations to the kindergarten classrooms on track to occur over the summer. All kindergarten classrooms will be painted. JK registrations are still coming in, which may result in large initial class sizes.
- Portables are currently not scheduled for student use in September. They may be used by the MPCC for the afterschool program.
- New furniture for the kindergarten classrooms has arrived.
- All windows are scheduled for replacement. New blinds may be purchased for the new wing classrooms.
- Classrooms will be rearranged into a kindergarten/grade1 wing, primary wing and junior wing.
- Daun Lynch will teach core French to kindergarteners and DPA/phys ed. to the primary grades.
- Grade 6 field trip is a bowling excursion.
- Grade 6 students are staging plays this week.

2012-2013 Council Meeting Dates:

Leigh Anne proposed the schedule for next year's council meetings. Erin will arrange to move the MPCC Board meeting from September 26. Meeting schedule approved as presented.

Council positions:

Leigh Anne listed the 10 traditional positions and the new communications coordinator position. The elections committee will be arranged in the future.

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Aftercare Update:

Erin reported that the MPCC has signed a provisional agreement with the school board to act as the third party before- and after-school care provider. Registration materials are on the MPCC website, and registrations are now being accepted. Hours are 7:15am-8:30am and 3:00-6:00pm. The fees and registration options were outlined. The afterschool program will be run out of the school, with no students at the Community Centre. Neighborhood students from other school boards are welcome to attend.

New business:

Tammy reported that Fabien won a \$500 gift card from the Home Depot corporate office as a reward for the work done on the gym renovation. He subsequently gave this prize to the school. Shari has bought 8 fans and flowers for the school planters with this money. Fabien has offered to help again in the fall if a project can be identified.

Meeting adjourned at 7:45pm. Next meeting to be held September 26, 2012.

Meeting of the Home and School Association

Financial Reporting and Update:

Mike reported that \$10,000 remains, but much of this will be spent on year end activities.

Susan tested a full upright piano that is available for donation. The sound board seems to be in good condition, and there is just minor chipping of the keys. Susan received a quote of \$200 plus tax to move the piano to the school. Funding of up to \$300 approved for this purpose. The suggestion was made to move it onto the stage. Susan also suggested purchasing a cover to protect the piano.

Status Update on Fundraisers:

Erin reported that the plant and rain barrel sale raised \$2150. The plant sale ran smoothly, but there were problems with the delivery of the rain barrels. Everything has been taken care of, and the rain barrel invoice was discounted in compensation.

Tammy reported that Mayfair raised \$11,500. The Warks and Gael Italiano have agreed to be Mayfair organizers for next year. Most of the convenors will be returning.

Leigh Anne made special mention of the extraordinary work Tammy has done for the council and school this year.

Draft Budget for 2012-2013:

The budget committee prepared a budget of \$31,000 for next year. Changes from this year include no school group support, kindergarten toy replacement and library funding. Funding for

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teacher support, technological aids and sports equipment were added. Budget to be approved in September.

Susan mentioned that the Egg Farmers of Canada have withdrawn their sponsorship of the spelling bee and no regional competitions are planned for 2012-2013. She asks the council to consider sponsoring a school wide bee next year.

Leigh Anne reported that thank you gifts were bought for all outgoing teachers and acknowledgements were received.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:20pm.
