| Record of Meeting |  |  |  |
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| Meeting: FVES Council - Forest Valley Elementary School |  |  |  |
| Location: FVES Library |  |  |  |
| Date: September 27, 2022 |  | Start time: 6:50pm $\quad$ End time: 8:4 | End time: 8:40pm |
| Item | Topic and discussion |  | Actions |
| 1 | Greeting (Victoria Deanes and Ruth Middlebrook) <br> - Victoria opened the meeting by welcoming participants. Everyone introduced themselves as there were new faces. <br> - The agenda was shared by email ahead of the meeting and passed by Erica and Amanda. <br> - The minutes were shared by email ahead of the meeting and passed by Erica and Amanda. |  | N/A |
| 2 | Principal's Update (Stephanie Borrens) <br> - Stephanie will report at the next Council meeting, as we have Budget to discuss. |  |  |
| 3 | Teacher's Update <br> - Our new teacher rep is Suzanna Brydon <br> o New Wishlist Items: <br> o White boards / dry erasers [*School Expense] <br> o Headphones [Council to consider - Technology Funding] <br> o Forest of Reading (Library) [*On the budget] <br> o De-coding French Books [*School Expense] <br> o Scientists in Schools [Council to Consider - Science Funding] <br> o Love to Groove [Council to Consider - Last year $\$ 900$ was given to support this program] <br> o Drama/Music programming [Council to consider - Arts Funding] <br> o Clay for painting [*School Expense] <br> o Field Trips [Council to Consider - Typically, \$300 per bus] <br> o Music Play Subscription [*Stephanie to Review] <br> o Musical instruments [Council to consider - Arts Funding] <br> o Clubs: Funding Social Entrepreneurship (Council to consider - Club Funding) ^ <br> - Grant Money may also be available |  | * Stephanie will review the school expenses with staff. Some of these items have already been purchased. <br> $\wedge$ Suzanna to forward information to Council for Grant review/ applications |


| 4 | Treasure's Update (Amy Goodfellow) <br> Budget discussion: <br> - Estimates for Fundraising: <br> - Pizza program (Amanda is lead) - Still getting cost quotes, order forms will be needed, volunteers needed to assist, questions of equity and timeline (every other week or more often) <br> - Milk program (Stephanie decided not to run milk program this year; expense and time considerations) <br> - Cheese fundraiser to be removed (no longer running) <br> - Fundscript to be removed (not running this year) <br> - Mabels Labels (not running this year) <br> - School Clothing (Andrea is lead contact) - to discuss with vendor about dropping off orders at schools <br> - Movie Nights (Juliana is lead contact) - we have 2 speakers, projector and screen (or sheet can be used) need computer with downloaded movie, concessions to be sold (popcorn, chips, juice boxes) - advertisements <br> - Card Project to be removed (not running this year) <br> - Parent Involvement Fund is a Grant (no action required) <br> - Snowflake Sale: (Lead Needed) - Works like a second hand holiday shop. In November, donations are collected from community. Volunteers separate goods by recipients (age or gender) and price goods. On December $14^{\text {th }}$, evening, shop is set up in the gymnasium. On December $15^{\text {th }}$, during school day, students buy gifts, Grade 5 students have a wrapping station, bake sale items. Whatever isn't purchased is donated. <br> - Valentines Dance: (Victoria to Lead) - DJ or music, sell pizza and snacks, bake sale, glow sticks, to discuss with librarian Christina [plan a book fair to coincide] <br> - Estimates for Spending: <br> - Classroom Budgets: Stephanie thanked Council for generosity, but noted that classroom budgets are a large expense. Last year Council allocated $\$ 2,350$ to teachers to be used by teachers to purchase extras for classrooms. Discussion about lower amount from \$100 per teacher to $\$ 75$ per teacher. | Movie Night: Need to test equipment, Juliana to send movie voting email, need volunteers and snacks <br> Need volunteer to organize Snowflake Sale. <br> - Amy to calculate and propose numbers with amended budget |
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- Love to Groove: Last year, Council committed \$900 to initiative. Very popular with students and teachers. \$900 committed again this year.
- Costs discussed for field trips (\$300 per bus per class (15) would be too expensive), plays (\$650 for morning plus $\$ 650$ for afternoon group, also expensive for one day)
- Per Student Fund: In place of paying for plays/field trips, Andrea suggested designating \$10 per student as part of a fund teachers can draw from to support such activities so that instead of parents having to pay a lot for field trip, the class already has some funding available, \$3000 (\$10 per 300 students) was committed.
- Sound system removed from spending this year as speakers are working
- Grade Five Fund: Council agreed to keep this expense Council committed to \$1000
- Agendas can be removed from budget, not being used this year
- Raz Kids: Stephanie will review whether licenses are needed as Alexia and Je Lis are now provided by School Board - remove from Council Budget
- Forest of Reading Program: For the library, Council committed \$500
- Staff Appreciation is being removed as this was put in place for Covid, in person appreciation will be able to return this year if parents want to do so
- Science/Arts/Clubs: Council committed \$1500 (\$500 each for science, arts and clubs funding at the school's discretion)
- Technology: Council committed \$500 to technology to consider purchasing headphones for classrooms [Stephanie cautioned that headphones are easily broken and that Council should consider subsidizing headphones for families who can't afford to send them]
- Christmas Hamper: Council committed \$150 to gift cards for groceries for needy families at winter break
- Equity Fund: Council committed $\$ \mathbf{5 0 0}$ for miscellaneous expenses to support students/families who might not otherwise participate without financial assistance

|  | - Total proposed: to be determined when calculations made for Classroom Budgets |  |  |
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| 5 | Roundtable Events: <br> - October 6, 2 <br> - Julian volun | her Evening t up tables and sign up iatives | Display board to be done and volunteer helpers needed |
| Next meeting: October 11, 2022 at 6:45 pm in the Library |  |  |  |
|  | Present | Absent |  |
| Victoria Deanes Ruth Middlebrook Amy Goodfellow Amanda Rushton Juliana Laboucane Stephanie Borrens Karin Humenuk Andrea Morissette Erica Harnett Natalie Brazeau Suzanna Brydon |  | Susan Neal <br> Nancy Barber Katherine Comber Gerrian MacKinnon Katie Morissette Queenie Clarke Shirin Shallwani Kelly MacLean Kyle Stanley Patricia Nguyen Gary Huhtanen |  |

