

## John Muir Parents Advisory Council

### Meeting Minutes

Oct 5, 2017

**Attendance:** Chantelle C., Danielle P.S., Trudy F., Gord J., Krista M., Shannon J., Wendy J.

**Meeting called to order:** 6:07pm

**Minutes from previous meeting:** *Krista M. motions to accept previous minutes as written, Danielle P.S. seconded, all parties in favor, motion carried.*

**Agenda for present meeting:** Agenda amended to add Smencils under Fundraising, and Christmas Gift shop, Coffee in the Morning, Art Friendship Project, Dance Sign up, and Calendar additions under President. *Wendy J. motions to accept Agenda as amended, Trudy F. seconded, all parties in favor, motion carried.*

**President / Vice President:** Chantelle C. / Open Position

Introductions

Art Friendship Project – Brought up on John Muir Parents Group Facebook Page. Includes reading the book 'Only One You' by Linda Kranz, and every student painting a rock. This project celebrates what makes each student unique. Worried the rocks would be moved and not be left in place if not fixed into place. Supplies would include 1 rock per child, acrylic paint, paint seal, brushes, and 'Only One You' book. **Action:** Gord J. will bring it up to staff and ask how they feel about the idea.

Coffee in the Morning – With colder weather upon us, a coffee in the morning program for parents including tea, and hot chocolate for sale. Volunteer base is where the program would possibly hit a bump in the road. Punch cards brought up for those who would forget money. **Action:** Chantelle C. will attempt this on Friday Oct 13th.

Christmas Gift Shop – We have done this for the last few years, donations are collected two to three weeks before the event. Then sold to students for a donation that will be sent to the food bank. Other items needed are wrap and ribbon. Each class gets a chance to come down on the first day then the second day everyone can come down again if they wish. All left over donations are donated to the thrift stores.

Calendar –     Oct 19<sup>th</sup> Fall Dance  
                  Dec 6<sup>th</sup> Family Craft Night and Purdy's & Poinsettia Pick Up  
                  Jan Winter Dance  
                  Feb Family Event (Pizza and a Movie?)  
                  Mar Spring Dance  
                  Apr Family Night, and Parents Night

Garage Sale - \$5 for a space, extra for inside, extra to rent a table. Donations accepted for money to go towards PAC. Food Vendors to be outside. Renting the school is extra money over the weekend. **Action:** Chantelle C. will plan this for June.

**Treasurer:** Danielle P.S.

As per Report. No Fundraising items have been deposited at this time. We do have some in the office, \$25 for Save Around, \$95 for Donations, \$569 from Village foods Milk Money Program, and \$65.75 from Mabel Labels.  
Gaming Grant was accepted, we will receive \$4080.00.

**Food Days:** Open Position

Chantelle C. and Rheanne R. to run first food day. Possibly in November on a Friday.

**Garden Liaison:** Krista M.

Oct 19<sup>th</sup> is a Thank You Night with Cake and Coffee, invitations will go out to all those businesses and individuals who have donated. This is so all our helpers can see what they helped build now that everything is up and running. Irrigation was blown out today.

**Fundraising:** PAC Executive

Smencils are an easy fundraiser where we are not sending items home for parents. \$55 per bucket, last year we got 6 buckets. *Motion made by Trudy F. to purchase 6 buckets, seconded by Krista M., all parties in favor, motion carried.* 2 Christmas, 2 Spring, 1 Princess, 1 TMNT.

Bottle Drive

Save Around Due Oct 24 – Prizes for Top seller of each Class, Top seller of School, and everyone else who sells one will be put into a draw for a prize. Movie passes again. Top seller of the school gets a Family Movie Pass, Top seller of each class gets Childs Movie Pass, final draw winner will receive 2 free large pizzas from Andys.

Purdy's and Poinsettias will run in November with a due date in November.

Bottle Drive in January after the Holidays.

Bottle Drive in March?

Parents Night in April

Walk-a-Thon in May

Bottle Drive in June?

**SPEAC:** Open Position

Nothing at this time, next meeting is in the next few weeks.

**Emergency Preparedness:** Wendy J.

CBV Radio is still at the fire hall, Wendy has left messages and hasn't heard back.

Safety vests were purchased, with 1 more needed.

**Principal / Vice-Principal:** Gord J. / Shannon M.

A colored printer for in the office on Mrs.Haverty's desk. *Motion made by Danielle P.S. to purchase a printer for Rasheeda with a max of \$200, seconded by Trudy F., all parties in favor, motion carried.*

Special Presentation on Nov 6, Bigger Than That, Country Singer, who passes on the message to build self-confidence.

Jim Shore our IS teacher, would like to purchase a child sized exercise bike, and a google

chrome book. *Motion made by Danielle P.S. to put \$500 towards a child's exercise bike leaving the \$500 in his budget to cover the rest of the exercise bike and chrome book, seconded by Shannon J., all parties in favor, motion carried.*

Student Learning Grant from the District was received this year, using it to purchase Wiggle Stools for the school.

**Old Business:**

Water Bottles – Earlier proposed vendor was 4imprint; prices can be found here:  
<https://www.4imprint.ca/tag/5522/Water-Bottles>  
Naomi is still working on the design.

**New Business:**

**Next Meeting:** November 2<sup>nd</sup> at 6pm in the Library.

**Meeting Adjourned:** 7:16pm

# Calendar of Family or parent involvement events

October 19<sup>th</sup> – Fall Dance

November ?? – Christmas Gift Shop

December 6<sup>th</sup> – Purdy's/Poinsettia pick up/family craft night

January – Winter Dance

February – Family pizza and movie night

March/April – Spring Dance

April/May – Family pizza and movie night

May/June – Summer Dance

June – Garage sale

Discussed to run a school wide garage sale/flea market but we ran out of time last year.

\$5 for an 8x8 or 10x10 space

+\$5 for inside rather than outside space (in good weather)

+\$5 to use one of our tables instead of bringing one's own

Also an option to donate items to be sold by PAC volunteers with proceeds going to PAC

## Art/Friendship project

A handful of parents on Facebook are asking about an art project they would like to be involved in putting together. The first is based off a project another school did after reading the book "Only One You" by Linda Kranz. Each student (all 792 of them) painted a rock, which were then laid out in a curving streambed design. This project was meant to celebrate what makes each student unique.

I wonder if we could integrate this design into one or both sides of the front garden without detracting from the tidal pool. Supplies would consist of one rock per child (can we take that many rocks from Ella beach without making a mess) plus a bunch of outdoor acrylic paint and brushes. The book itself is about \$15 dollars.

Alternatively, the discussion mentioned a Friendship bench. This is a place for a student to go when s/he is feeling lonely and wishes to have someone to talk to. It is a way for someone needing help to ask for it in a general way; hopefully another student or staff member recognizes the call for help and can take a few minutes to provide the companionship requested.

# Fundraisers

October – Save Around books

November – Purdy's and Poinsettias

December – none

January – Bottle drive

February -

March – Bottle Drive

April – Parent's night

May – Walk-a-thon

June – Bottle Drive