

**Queen Elizabeth Public School  
School Council 2020-2021**

**Minutes of the Meeting of February 8, 2021**

**1.0 Welcome and Introductions:**

**Present:** Michelle, Candace, Mike, Chris, Rachele, Jason, Lindsey, Wendy, Lynn and Cherry

**2.0 Approval of Agenda:** 1<sup>st</sup> by Lindsey and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Chris

**3.0 Approval of Minutes:** 1<sup>st</sup> by Wendy and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Chris

**4.0 Chair's Report:** Nothing to report. Barb is away today.

**5.0 Treasurer's Report:** See report emailed to council. Under One Sun money came in. Council approved to transfer the funds into the school council account.  
**Action:** Rachele to look into amending the name of the Under One Sun account, as the funds came into account named "Under the Sun".

**6.0 Principal's Report:** See report emailed to council.

- Rachele uploaded construction drawings for council to see.
- We currently have 11 JK's registered for next year.
- **Action:** Rachele to put JK registration on the school sign again.
- The new sign has a new logo. Should we consider changing all of the logos (i.e. Clothing, Sportswear, etc.)? There is a lot of history associated with the previous logos.
- **Action:** PRO Grant – should be added to council agenda as a standing item for November or December meeting every year so that we do not miss out on the application deadline and so that we have time to discuss proposal.
- Council should create a way to share documents with the community. Create and maintain a school council link on the school website and/or Twitter for access to Treasurer's Report, Minutes, etc. Could put together a pretty comprehensive council site with historic documents.
- **Action:** Mike to follow-up with Barb regarding the binders containing previous council documents and we can look at events, etc. that we can plan for each year at every meeting.

**7.0 New Items:**

**7.1 Valentines Day Student Recognition:**

- Lindsey, Wendy & Candace picked up juice boxes and fruit snacks for the students. Chris printed out jokes and they put them together in little packages for the students.
- Will be handed out to students on Friday, February 12.
- Total cost was approximately \$78.00.
- Candace will deliver the packages to the school prior to Friday.

**7.2 School Retrofit**

- See document uploaded by Rachele in Teams.
- Towers for Chromebooks in Grades 4 – 8 classrooms with space for 20 Chromebooks.
- Installing a breakfast bar with power along windows.
- Whiteboards will be installed in the middle of the long wall in classrooms along the main hall.
- Primary rooms will have cubbies and closed cupboards above.
- Making more floor space, but there will be a loss of storage.
- All room are getting teaching towers.
- Rachele is trying to get an oven and a small fridge in the LLS classroom.

- The old breakfast club room will get full shelving and will be used as a storage room.
- Possibly installing a whiteboard in a meeting room.
- The stage is being removed from the library to become 3 teaching spaces. There will be a laptop bar – no computer tables. There will be 2 TVs on carts to move around the library. The book space will be in the middle section of the library.
- Every classroom is getting new blinds and dimmable lighting.
- Any input and/or questions need to be sent to Rachelle by Wednesday/Thursday.

### 7.3 Garden Tower

- A garden tower where you can grow greens inside all year round.
- Lynn emailed the representative and will share the link in the Teams chat.
- The representative said that there is a grant available.
- **Action:** Lynn to find out more information from the representative

## 8.0 Standing Items:

### 8.1 Covid-19: Safety & Organization:

- Masks are now mandatory for grades 1 – 12.
- Teachers now need to wear a face shield/goggles with masks when they are close to students.

### 8.2 Playground Replacement & Fundraising:

- Possibly begin fundraising without all the specifics and details around the playground.
- We do know what type of playground pieces we would like to see – more natural based, open-ended, promote healthy risk-taking, whole body active play.
- Fundraise without a gimmick (like ornaments, bake sale, etc.) – just ask for a monetary donation.
- Create a visual for how much money we have raised and keep updating.
- Recognition for donations (i.e. A plaque with names, paint a river rock to be placed at the playground).
- **Action:** Playground committee to put together something to go into the March school newsletter letting parents know that we are planning to fundraise, and families can begin to give cash donations.
- **Action:** Rachelle to check if we can accept donations through School Cash Online
- **Action:** Mike to look into available grants for playground.
- Utilize Rachelle's messages, Edsby, Website, etc.

9.0 Next Meeting: March 8, 2021 – Via video conference.

10.0 Adjourn: Meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.