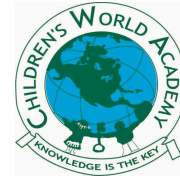


# Minutes of Home and School Meeting



Children's World Academy

2241 Ménard, LaSalle, H8N 1J4



Date: January 17, 2024

Start time: 6:45pm

End time

7:55pm

## *2024.01.01*      ATTENDANCE

Diana Trochei, Genevieve Emond, Gianna Caucci, Josee Beauchemin, Josie Montesano, Kim Jones, Lina Marino, Lisa Baylis, Lisa Cuscuna, Lisa Perfetto, Maria Trochei, Mariana Vetro, Melissa De Marco, Melissa Nudo, Michelle Colavincenzo, Milika Lee-Nurse, Nathalie Tremblay, Rina Rainone, Stephanie Rizzo, Tamara DellOlio, Tania D'Alessandro, Tania Tabet, Teresa Verelli

## *2024.01.02*      APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Agenda proposed by Tamara  
Agenda seconded by Mariana

## *2024.01.03*      APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

Previous minutes approved by Mariana  
Previous minutes seconded by Tamara

## *2024.01..04*      H&S NEWS

- The December meeting was cancelled in solidarity with the teacher's strike. We had originally planned to move forward, however we got a few emails to suggest we should cancel and stand in solidarity with teachers. We thank you for that.

- Reminder to please CC us at [cwahands@lbpearson.ca](mailto:cwahands@lbpearson.ca) for any H&S related emails.
- Reminder for chairs to please send recap after subcommittee meetings. Also few members , Kim , Nat and Gianna to be on all committees to know what is going on at all times. Just to be on top of everything.
- Article submitted for QFHSA "Focus on the Locals"newsletter was sent out recently . We will send out that newsletter .

2024.01.05

## **Principles Report**

- Sent out the acceptance letters for K students for 2024-2025 before Christmas break in the event the strike would have taken place in January. Worked really well, we will change this going forward as long as the results are ready.
- Thank you H&S all the Christmas activities . Everyone loved the Gingerbread cafe and Breakfast with Santa .
- Parents' inquiry for Pello form will be sent out shortly , we are just waiting to make sure everything with the teachers contracts to be signed and finalized . ( Italian after school activities ) form to see if interest in our community
- Reregistration period to begin next week, all Grade 6 students need to go online even if they are going to private school to make sure anyone on a wait list will get their place in our school. K-5 to start January 29, 2024 sending lots of reminders this week. All staffing is based on registration
- Tell them for me Survey will be held this February grades 4-6 report on school , we are making a little subcommittee with our grade 5. We look at the results and look at how to improve their school life .
- An Association école de la rue , screens all the K's eyes , which is free, they will send a note if they see a problem with the children's eyes. Helps with reading
- Grade 2 intensive literacy group for reading. Grade 2 teachers screened all students to place them in reading groups. Grade 2 and resources teams will have 3 half hour blocks once a week for about 6 weeks . We are going to give the kids targeted literacy. Children who struggle will be placed in smaller groups , they will be playing games. This started in the pandemic in some schools as a pilot project and it is really spreading throughout the school board. Every school that has done it is showing amazing results .
- Free dress down day (for January) has been rescheduled for February. It was moved because it was supposed to be in conjunction with carnival but we're going to move our carnival day a little later.
- French book Fair will be February 12-15

2024.01.06

## **TEACHER'S REPORT**

- The activities which were carried out in December were greatly appreciated especially with the strike days it was reassuring then we were able to see the students the teachers in more pleasant contexts
- Last year the teachers also surveyed the first cycle students , asking very easy questions at their level to know their level of anxiety and their level of respect.
- The mentoring program also starts soon for the 6th grade students who are preparing for the exhibition project.
- Received the IB visit report and we were happy with the results of the comments we got.
- We received second robotics kit that H&S kindly contributed
- Starting back in January, the children were happy to get back into their routine as well as the teachers.
- Voting for the new contract with the union should be next week , we shall see .

2024.01.07

## **GOVERNING BOARD'S REPORT**

- GB meeting in person January 16, 2024
- Adopted ABAV plan , all changes were made last year, template was changes this year . We will see changes soon
- Adopted school budget we are in a deficit of 39000\$, plan to get out in the next 2 years. She will apply grant of 10000\$
- MrWalker gave an update on the IB visit , he presented the board with the recommendations that were done . Few comments were related to the library , explaining everything to the board. Evaluation went really well, and there was positive feedback.
- Uniform sub committee did not have a meeting . Communication to parents to inform them the change between Moni and Goldtex will be done for February or March Draft is ready for parents . Moni is still under contract till the end of the school year , she has lots of clothing with logos on it . Platform is ready and we will inform parents in time.
- The safety subcommittee didn't have any meetings last month, they sent out the letter to the borough concerning the snow removal around the school. Discussion about Menard street is really dangerous at drop off/pick up , encouraging parents to use Dufrensne, where the buses normally are, any parents can use it .
- Adopted one field trip Grade 6 -Camp Juvance May 1-3
- Open forum discussion was about Ped Day for November 1, unfortunately too late for the 2024-2025 school year , however we would like them to take it into consideration for the following year .
- Next Meeting February 13

2024.01.08

## Treasurer Report

- The first round lunch from October until December, we collected \$28,795.06 expenses \$19,307.10 profit \$9,487.96.
- The second-round lunches from January until March we didn't get the funds yet, but should be getting \$27,658.50. At this time we have paid \$2,109.26
- We received a cheque from Mabel Labels \$56.79.
- Supers Recycleurs we received the cheque \$205.75.
- Chocolate bar fundraiser we collected \$36,583.30
- Staff Strike we allocated \$600 and only spent \$403.36.
- Christmas-Activity we allocated \$1,000 and only spent \$681.13.
- Christmas-Breakfast we allocated \$2,000 we only spent \$933.30.
- Bank fees spent until date \$416.37.
- The allocation of \$700.00 for Grade 1 Bee Boot paid the school.
- Paid \$713.55 for the 250 cutlery some to sell and next year kindergarten class
- Opening Cash-September 1, 2023 \$13,785.66
- Petty Cash \$300.00
- Net cash \$32,664.40 Ending cash balance \$46,750.06
- Expenses-Approved and not yet incurred
- Staff Appreciation \$662.03, Green Committee \$204.51, Student Council \$122.19, Year-End Grad \$2,000.00, Pay it forward \$550.00 Total \$3,538.73  
Grade 2 microphone and Grade 4 books for reading club \$500.00.
- AVAILABLE FUNDS for future events/activities \$42,711.33
- We still must take in consideration the funds we need to pay for the chocolates.

2024.01.09

## FUNDRAISING

- Chocolate Fundraising went well , distribution was great , many volunteers to help. Tagged each box with child's name and the class room. Biggest issue was collecting funds. We are missing some unfortunately . Kevin picked up all the remaining chocolate.
- BoSapin totally 338\$ that we collected from the fundraiser.
- Meal update:First round of meals was fantastic. Second round of meals, we had to increase the price . However we didn't see much of a difference so far.
- Cutlery 250 were purchased, setting aside 80 for K's 2024-2025. Rest to sell .
- Upcoming Fundraiser for Big Box of cards , Also Pizza night . Would be 1 day selected for families from Cwa can access that promo code to give us 10% back.
- Jam fundraiser maybe for may. Fundraiser meeting to come shortly.

2024.01.10

## ACTIVITIES

- Staff Appreciation, brunch was held in November, great feedback. Strike days; Coffee and donuts and hot paws, so well received by teachers on strike. Short meeting after H&S meeting. Staff Appreciation week is Feb 11-17, 2024
- Yearbook committee, starting to receive pictures, Carla started sorting over the holidays. A Zoom meeting is coming up. Grade 6 picture taken this week also. Getting organized. Printed needs to be at the end of May.
- Christmas activity was amazing, the Gingerbread cafe and the ornaments were a success, Thank you to all volunteers.
- Breakfast with Santa overall was fantastic, great volunteers helping night before and day of the event. Mrs Claus and Santa were amazing.
- Pay It forward committee, Grace donated to Verdun elementary school. Winter clothing to Verdun elementary and Lasalle church. Also given to some families from our school as well. Everyone was so grateful. Juletta had lots of frozen food donated. Donation of extra Pasta to K4 and LCCHS also.
- Family Literacy day is January 27, 2024, we will start a google form to send out to Tiffany (Librarian) and then once approved send it out to families. We will ask families to donate 10\$-20\$ and then Tiffany will then purchase what is needed for the Library. To send out to parents by Jan 27.
- Carnival week / Day. February 8, 2024. All outdoor activities, H&S volunteers to help out outside and also Hot Chocolate. 4 Volunteers for hot chocolate. Grade 6 will be helping. This will take place in the school yard and park. Mr Walker will confirm more details shortly.
- Bouncy Day June 7, 2024 waiting for the staff council to approve.

2024.01.11

### **GREEN COMMITTEE**

- No Updates

2024.01.12

### **External Communications and Marketing**

- Everything is going great on facebook.
- Thank you Melissa Nudo for helping out.
- Mailing list opt-in form - Link to sign up
- Any new events for Jan/Feb let us know.
- Gianna to be added to all subcommittees to receive recap

2024.01.13

### **PROJECTS/WISH LIST**

- 2 e-votes previously went out - Writing books were bought for the Club de littérature créative Grade 4 & Microphones were bought for the grade 2s, everything was approved.

2024.01.14 **VARIA**

2024.01.15 **PUBLIC QUESTIONS**

2024.01.16 **ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting adjourned by Kim  
Next meeting on Zoom February 21, 2024 at 6:45pm