

**Parent Council Meeting Dec 14 2016**  
**7:00pm**

**In Attendance**

Joan Stephenson  
Nicole Maida ( Corvinelli)  
Cathy Halovanic  
Anne Bontje  
Erin Zabukovec

**Regrets**

Susan Iacoucci  
Lena Nolasco  
Dana Stocco  
Lori Holingshead

Opening prayer

**Principal's report**

Enrollment is up to 359, with new families coming January

Father Jim performed the Mass today

Craft sale is set for Dec 20, proceeds to Tottenham food bank and Me to We

There will be a mental health workshop (grade 7 and 8)

“ Can you Feel it”

Jan 9 & 23 2017

Parent council applied and received pro grant for the 2016/2017 school year it is \$1000  
To be spent on Mental health and conflict resolution.

Fundraising money was spent on PM books to be prepared for the new influx of kindergarten population, an electric score board, lego and technology such as projectors, speakers, a white board for a classroom that didn't have one, also outdoor activities that will happen in the spring  
A question was asked of what kind of activities; a climber for the little kids, tarmac painting.

**Treasurer's report**

Council opened with \$17,464.95

Most of the money went to hot lunch there are 4 cheques to SMCD SB they are for the items bought such as the PM books, electronic scoreboard and electronics (projectors, speakers, whiteboard) . They are bought through the board to get a discount. There are receipts for all cheques.

Big kid Entertainment was for a presentation there are two separate cheques as the tax was missed the total is \$558.30

Closed with \$9137.91

### **EWTE**

All food was purchased at foodland, this money needs to all be spent every year or we will not be able to get the grant again if we are not using all the money allotted to us.

### **Chair report**

No Chair present

### **Healthy Schools**

We are registered with healthy schools letters have been sent off for info

Grades 5-8 have an exercise aspect it is on a points based system points are awarded and will be working towards a Bronze, Silver or Gold.

We need class reps for the older grades.

In order to get points for this we have to formally show that we have contacted public health about the healthy schools exercise component.

We need to have a doctor that comes in to see the kids to talk about exercise and how important it is there is a program called OPHEA that has a list of doctors it is important to show the link between healthy eating and exercise.

This is a kid run club and we need it to be free or inexpensive the kids shouldn't have to pay to be fit.

There are also programs like Canadian tire hero to play that can provide equipment possibly we could contact parks and rec to donate prizes

Parish rep? How best to show the info of what is happening at the parish.

Mrs Stephenson stated to send her the info and she will post it on the website.

How can we get the number of people registered for eblast up, we currently have 259 people registered. Perhaps that is the amount of families we have?

Poinsettias were not sold this year, questioned as to why perhaps because Mrs Martell left and she was over seeing this, we could look into it for next year.

Question was also asked about the school run fundraiser ( not parent council spring fling) A lot of people were not impressed with this years, Mrs Bontje has stated that anyone who has info on fundraisers is more than welcome to drop off info to her and they can have a look at it.

The fundraising companies seem to all be owned by the same company now so it limits what choices we have.

Macmillans may be a good one.

Question is there a (early) spring fundraiser? No just Spring fling in May/June as it is a huge fundraiser, we don't want to do too many and gouge families.

Closing Prayer

Meeting end

7:30pm

Have a Merry Christmas