

**Osgoode Public School  
Parent Council Meeting Minutes  
February 9, 2009**

---

|                    |   |  |                                 |
|--------------------|---|--|---------------------------------|
| <b>Attendance:</b> | Nicole McKerracher<br>Brent Currie<br>Penny Macdonald | Maureen Silva<br>Nicole Gilmore<br>Donna Brennan | Natalie Currie<br>Leann Petrie  |
| <b>Regrets:</b>    | Joanne Wells<br>Laurie Lefebvre                       | Deborah Kerr<br>Jamie Hodges                     | Doug Simmons<br>Marlene Cameron |

---

Welcome 7:45

Attendance circulated. Welcome to everyone. Review and acceptance of January minutes and action items.

**Update on Action Items from January Meeting**

| ACTION ITEM   | UPDATE   |
|---|--|
| Need to have hot lunch schedule back on website   | <b>Leann will send hard copy to scan.</b>  |
| Leann to look for a canopy at Walmart   | <b>No canopies yet at Walmart. Leann will keep looking.</b>  |
| Nicole to continue looking on-line for banners  | <b>Still looking for banner plus we need to put a logo</b>   |
| Nicole to ask Karen to clarify the type of speakers and for Karen to call Brent regarding speakers  | <b>Nicole will forward pictures</b>  |
| Nicole to look into utensils for classrooms   | DONE   |
| Jamie to speak to Kelly regarding helping with Lunch Program next year  | <b>Jamie to still speak to Kelly.</b>  |
| Penny to take on fridge proposal. Research fridges, space, power supply, and write a proposal. Then present to Lions Club and Legion  | <b>Working on proposal for fridge. Need Jamie's husband to check if electricity is sufficient for commercial fridge.</b> |
| Nicole to provide Brent with a paragraph for the front page of the website  | <b>Not yet done. Nicole to provide this to Brent</b>   |
| Nicole to call and see if we can book the gym for July 9 for the medieval festival movie night. There may be logistical issues with doing this in the summer. May be insurance coverage issues. | <b>Luc was going to check into this.</b>   |

Leann Petrie passed motion to accept meeting minutes from January meeting, Maureen Silva seconded the motion.

\*\*\*\*\*

## REPORTS

### Treasurer Report – Natalie Currie

- Amount in bank = \$12,910.84
- Money we can't use = \$7,683.38
- Money we can use = \$5,227.46
- Money set aside = \$1,835.00
- **TOTAL TO SPEND = \$3,392.46**

### Principal Report – Nicole Gilmore



#### **Important dates**

|  |  |
|--|--|
| Thurs. Feb. 4 <sup>th</sup> , 11 <sup>th</sup> , 18 <sup>th</sup> , 25 <sup>th</sup> | Skating – gr. 1to6                           |
| Wed. Feb. 10 <sup>th</sup>   | Launch of Read-a-thon                        |
| Thurs. Feb. 11 <sup>th</sup>   | Grad photos                                  |
| Fri. Feb. 12 <sup>th</sup>   | PD day                                       |
| Mon. Feb. 15 <sup>th</sup>   | Family Day                                   |
| Feb. 16 to 26 <sup>th</sup>  | Elementary Transfer Period                   |
| Fri. Feb. 19 <sup>th</sup> PM  | Olympic Play Day                             |
| Feb. 22 to 26 <sup>th</sup>  | MFI registration                             |
| Tues. Feb. 23 <sup>rd</sup>  | Toonie Tuesday (United Way)                  |
| Thurs. Feb. 25 <sup>th</sup>   | Cupcake Day                                  |
| Thurs. March 5 <sup>th</sup>   | SK classes – Skating – PM                    |
| Fri. March 6 <sup>th</sup>   | Grade 6 ski trip – leave at 9 return at 5:30 |

### Events update:

- 100<sup>th</sup> day – all classes given the option to dress up for 100 day – like very old people or in a futuristic outfit. – Tuesday Feb. 9<sup>th</sup>
- United Way Toonie Tuesday is scheduled Feb. 23<sup>rd</sup>. Money collected will remain at school in a fund for special needs (eg. Glasses for family having financial challenges, field trip costs as needed, etc.)
- 4Imprint – library bags were ordered – royal blue with white printing of school name – total cost \$510 for 250 bags – bags will be distributed to JK to grade 4 students. Replacement bags will cost \$2.
- Kindergarten registration to date:
- 5<sup>th</sup> annual Read-a-thon to be launched on Wed. Feb. 10<sup>th</sup> – Kally Dakos presentation at 10:05 for one hour. Writing workshop at 12:30 for students in grades 3 and 4. Her books are available for purchase. Prizes have been purchased and can be seen in the display case. Classes can sign up to have Gracie come in to read with students every day through the readathon period. ‘PAW’some prizes purchased.
- **‘PAWS FOR READING’** theme - 109,240 minutes read last year. Goal is to top that amount. Culmination assembly planned for March 4<sup>th</sup>. Time to be determined. Arrangements being made with Constable Pierce, our SRO, to have a police dog come to the school to demonstrate his tracking abilities by finding principal in crowded gym.  
A second mammal has been added to the excitement of the culmination assembly. A big production will be made around the kissing and snuggling of a SKUNK!
- Osgoode readathon featured in the Director’s Report to the Community for 2009.  
Only two schools were featured and Osgoode was one.
  - Winter Play Day – Olympic Theme planned for Friday Feb. 19<sup>th</sup> in the afternoon
  - Newsletter format change for website – until decision is made to change format, hard copies will be sent home.
  - Grade 6 students went to an Adopt A Pond presentation at the local library on Tuesday Feb. 9<sup>th</sup> – Both Mrs. Meek and Mrs. Beanish attended with the students.
- March 6<sup>th</sup> is booked for family movie night
- Bill 157 – amendment to Safe Schools Act – see attached info
- Kindergarten registrations: 17 for JK 1 for SK Letters have gone home to JK parents asking for their choice of Reg. Engl. or EFI for SK



## Wish List

1. Time Timer 20 cm audible (Simple depiction of elapsed time makes it a valuable tool for teaching and managing time at all ages and ability levels. Move the red disc counterclockwise to the desired time interval. The disc diminishes as time elapses until no red is visible on the time face. 4 x \$41.95) \$200
  2. Bus for Earth Day movie in theatre for grades 4, 5 and 6 \$210
  3. Nerf and foam balls for winter recess play (Dollarama) \$50
  4. Contributions towards 'Paws for Reading' prizes  
(Positive Promotions – tshirts, dog tags, buttons, water bottles, trophies, etc.) \$300  
(Walmart – stuffed dogs, puzzle) \$ 50
  5. DVD/VCR combo - 3 x \$100 (library + 2 carts) \$300
  6. Earthcare –
    - prizes \$200including shipping + tax
- bookmarks 50 @ \$16.95  
buttons 50 @ \$33.95  
dog tags 10 @ \$16.95 x 3  
bracelets 10 @ \$11.90 x 3  
stickers 200 @ \$17.50
- end of term celebrations (2 x 12 students - 2 x \$20) \$40

## Discussion on Wish List Above

- **Action - Penny has a VCR and will check to see that it still works**
- **Action - Nicole to send a note for donations for VCR, DVD**
- We will provide funding for the above wish list items:
  - \$200 for timer
  - Bus - \$117
  - \$50 for nerf balls
  - \$175 for Paws For Reading
  - \$240 for Earthcare Items (includes prizes and end of year party)

Leann Petrie passed motion to accept above wish list items, Maureen Silva seconded the motion.

## Hot Lunch Program – Leann Petrie

- No update

## Milk Program – Natalie Currie

- No update

## Website- Brent Currie

- Redesign is under way
- **Action item – Nicole G to provide Brent with a paragraph for the front page of website.**

\*\*\*\*\*

## FUNDRAISING

### Movie Night

- March 6 – Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs
  - **Action – Donna to do Costco run as Leann is on vacation**
  - **Action – Nicole to buy more prizes for movie nights**
  - **Action – Leann to pick up Meatball movie**
- Next movie night is April 9 – Chipmunk Squeakquel
  - **Action – Nicole to book gym**

### Chocolate Fundraiser

- We will be sending out before March break and chocolates to be returned after Easter.
- 35 families said no
- Shipping free to send chocolates back.

### Spring Fling – May 14

- **Action - Leann to develop master list and keep track of who is doing what**
- **Action – Leann to ask for letter samples from Joanne**
- **Action – Jamie to send out letter regarding Cake/bake sale**
- **Action – Natalie to ask Andy for a \$ donation**
- **Action – Nicole to design flyer/poster**
- **Action – Ask Cyril Cook – Real Estate agent for a \$ donation**
- Members of committee offered to help with the following items:
  - Nicole – duck pond
  - Penny – plant sale/suckers
  - Maureen – cake walk

- Nat – treasure hunt
- Nicole – prizes
- Donna - plinko

\*\*\*\*\*

## **ADDITIONAL ITEMS**

### **Grant**

- Exciting news – we have been awarded the Parent Reaching Out Grant of \$1,000
- **Action – Nicole to look for a speaker**
- June 30 is the deadline to use the grant money
- Next year’s grant proposal is due before the end of the year and grant money is awarded in the early year.

\*\*\*\*\*

**No Meeting in March. Next meeting will be April 13, 2010 @ 7:30pm**

**Meeting adjourned 9:17pm**