



GLEN CAIRN SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING
Tuesday, February 13, 2024 - 6:30pm - Virtual

Minutes

In attendance:

Julia Zuliani (Co-Chair), Patricia Fitzgerald (Treasurer), Jaime Routliffe (Secretary), Angela Chaplin (Principal), John Saschenbrecker (Vice Principal), Tracy Spear (Teacher Rep), Andrea Wills, Chris Pouliot, Rizwana Sharifi, Raziat Fatima

Absent:

Crystal Boutilier (Co-Chair)

1. Welcome and Call to Order - Julia
2. Approval of Agenda - Julia
 - a. Approved.
3. Approval of Minutes - January 9, 2024 - Crystal and Julia
 - a. Approved.
4. Chair's Report - Crystal and Julia
 - a. The PRO Grant was approved and we've received \$750. The OCDSB Mental Health Awareness presentation was the first choice when the options were sent out to families. Julia will look into that further and get that booked. More information to come!
 - b. Cake Raffle is going ahead on February 15, 2024. Many of the local bakeries will be donating items (Voila Bakery, The Syrian Bakery, COBS Bread, Superstore, Metro and Chocolat Favoris). There are 15 families that responded that they would be making items. There are also 3 from the Student Council and 4 or 5 staff. In past years, there were more donations that weren't on the form! Donations can be dropped off starting at 7:45am.
5. Financial Report - Patricia
 - a. The Treasurer role was transferred to Chris Pouliot.
 - b. The \$500 Parent Involvement funding arrived from the OCDSB.

- c. The \$750 PRO Grant funds were approved.
 - d. There were 174 COBS Bread cards sold with a Gross Profit of \$2175.
6. Principal's Report - Angela
- a. School Wellness Plan and Learning Plan are the focus right now. Staff looked at that in their groups today at the staff meeting and are discussing how that will be rolled out at the school.
 - b. The participation from parents/guardians for Career Day was fantastic! There were 36 different careers represented. The engagement from families was incredible. There were so many different careers with so many different levels of schooling/experience. The students really enjoyed it. It was great to see something that came out of the parent survey come to life and go well.
 - c. Looking at Term 2 engagement activity. They are looking at an evening activity, possibly a showcase of some sort such as art.
 - d. The second part of the school budget as well as the carry forward have arrived at the school. The History and Geography team has ordered some new pull down maps that are current!
 - e. We are heading into March Break and then we really start looking at 2024-2025. Enrollment numbers are being looked at now and then it will be staffing and class placements.
 - f. Grade 8 students have done their course selections for Grade 9.
 - g. All families that are slated to go to the new high school in Stittsville have been contacted and all information has been shared. There are approximately 40 Grade 8 students and 40 Grade 7 students who will be going to the new school instead of AY and staying for Grade 8 respectively. The new high school is at a zero transfer cap meaning students who are not slated to go there will not be granted a transfer. The OCDSB is not allowing students to stay at GCPS or go to AY if that is their preference. Students are expected to attend the school in their catchment. A Cross Boundary Transfer Request can be completed but there is an unlikely chance it will be accepted.
 - h. There will be a student dance later in the month. The Student Council chose not to do a dance for Valentine's Day. Tomorrow there will be a school wide Bingo.
7. Staff Report - Tracy
- a. Basketball is now running. GCPS is hosting Goulbourn next week for some fun games. Badminton will start after that.
 - b. Student Council was involved with Career Day which was great to see.

- c. Maker Space is filling up quickly with the weather. There were 4 boxes of arts and crafts donated from Lion Hearts which are being used by Maker Space, the Pride Club and BIP class.
 - d. Mr. Fraser is starting a Grade 7 Hand Bell Choir.
 - e. Report Cards go home tomorrow. Term 2 IEPs are being written now to go home early March.
 - f. Clubs and activities are in full swing!
8. Round Table
- a. Julia brought up a concern that was raised by her daughter and lunchtime behaviour. Julia asked if there was anything families could do to help with that. Angela and John will take a look at that and see what they can do on their end. It was noted that that class is now eating lunch inside the school and no longer in their portable.
 - b. Julia asked about class placement for next year and if Grade 7's stay with their cohort. Angela said there would be an option in the Spring to email with information regarding student placements and classes are redone. The cohorts do change from Grade 7. We get to know all the Grade 7's and it allows for some insight for the Grade 8 class lists.
9. Adjournment - 7:27 pm

Next Meeting - Tuesday, April 9, 2024 at 6:30pm