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| **Bosanquet Central School**  **Council Meeting Jan. 17, 2019**  **6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.** |

Attendance: Andrea Walden, Emily Dixon, Stacy Leggate, Joanne Eastman, Annette Vusich, Tracy Dickey

Minutes from the meeting:

1. **Resolution to pass Minutes from September 2018 – Andrea**

Stacey motioned, Andrea seconded

1. **Masonic Lodge “Masoni Chip Program” - Andrea**

Ernest Moran from the Masonic Lodge approached Andrea after Open House. The Masons offer protection kits to protect our kids. They have set up a booth at the Forest Fair in the past and wondered if we would be interested in them coming in. If we want to run it as a school, Emily will run this by the Privacy Officer to see if we could get permission. **We will revisit this at the next meeting.**

**3. News from the Principal – Emily**

a) Update re: School Council current account balance – A handout was provided. We currently don’t have access to the K212 program so for the next meeting, we will have a more detailed printout.

b) Other:

Cindy Gorth has extended her leave of absence. Robin Skinner has been covering her but due to her pregnancy, her last day will be tomorrow, Fri., Jan. 18. Sarah Dumais will be covering the remainder of Cindy’s leave.

Tammy Marcinov has extended her leave of absence as well. Kelly Wright had been filling in, however the job had to be posted so she has been replaced by Jenny Abbott until Tammy’s return.

Grade 7/ 8 Meeting – There is an important meeting planned for parents on Tues., Jan. 29, 2019. At this meeting, we will discuss year end trips, graduation, options for grad meal, etc.

Local Artist – Moses Lunham from Kettle & Stony Point will be coming in on Jan. 28, 29 and 30.

10:20 Challenge – Emily wondered about having families email her a picture of them doing the Math challenge and maybe getting a point to go towards the students’ colour houses.

Grant - Emily applied for a grant to get trees and was successful. We will be getting 10 trees in May 2019.

Newsletters – They are going out each month by email and also going home in paper form.

New K-12 School – The committees will be asking for artifacts from each school to be placed in the new school. Emily wondered about wood murals and if there are any local people who can provide wood (something smooth to paint on).

Music Program – Emily may have a donation towards a Music Program and this would be for grades 4-8.

Sarnia Sting Game – 40 students have signed up to sing ‘O Canada’ at the game at the end of January 2019.

**4. Survey Results - Andrea**

a) Teacher Survey Results – see attached.

b) Parent Survey Results – see attached.

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**5. Classroom Supplies Allocation for Primary Grades - Andrea**

Teachers purchased items. Please see this month’s newsletter for details.

**6. Fundraising - Andrea**

a) Art Night (My Bundles Sign Painting) Fall 2018 – We didn’t meet the minimum required to do this fundraiser. We only had 13 people sign up and we needed 15. My Bundles still did the art night, however, we did not receive any funds from them. It was suggested that next year, we try a different place. There is a business out of Forest that offers signs already made for various prices.

b) Westland Greenhouse Christmas Flowers - We made $851 from this fundraiser. Of that, $575 went to the Grade 8’s and $276 went to Parent Council.

c) Chapters Indigo 2018 – We raised $250 for books for the school. At the end of January 2019, we will have access to these funds.

d) Mother’s Day Flower Fundraiser – Andrea will head this again and we will continue to order the flowers from Thuss Greenhouses.

e) Plantables – Roelands Greenhouse sells food packages. The boxes are delivered directly to your door. There’s no work for us and we receive 10% of the sales. Andrea will contact them to get more information and we will discuss this again at the Grade 7/8 meeting.

f) Pizza – Wednesdays are working out fine for the pizzas. We freeze extra slices and heat them up for students who come with nothing.

**7. Grant Application - Andrea**

a) Lake Smith Conservationists – They are winding up their organization so we will not be applying for further grants.

b) Grand Bend Foundation – We were successful in receiving a grant from them for $1,970 and this will happen in spring 2019. It will go towards hands on Science/Technology programs. We need to spend the money by the end of December 2019. It was suggested that we set a small monetary amount aside for this foundation at the next meeting. **\*At the September 12, 2018 meeting, Andrea had motioned to allocate $150 to the Grand Bend Foundation, Carla seconded. She also proposed that students pay $5 per workshop.\***

**8. Snack Program (Vegan Foods) – Andrea**

Morning snack is fruits and vegetables, afternoon snack is grains and eggs. Currently, the eggs are being donated. We are looking to buy local for this snack program. If vegan food is not being eaten, it will not be provided so that there is no waste.

**9. JK-Grade 12 School (Transition Committee Meeting) - Andrea**

The first meeting was Wed., Jan. 15, 2019. It’s a process, there is no land purchased yet. Once land is purchased and ready to go, it will take approximately two years to build the school. Mike Gilfoyle (former Superintendent and from this area) is running this. The next meeting will be Wed., Apr. 3 @ 6:00 at Aberarder School. They will brainstorm what sub-committees will be needed at the next meeting.

**10. Proposed Resolution: Allocation for funds for Grade 8 Graduation - Andrea**

**\*Joanne proposed to allocate $500 towards Grade 8 graduation, Andrea seconded.\***

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**11. Other**

Grades 6, 7 and 8 students will be combining with other area schools for a fun day of activities at the Lambton Centre United Church Camp. NLSS students will assist with the activities and this will happen in spring 2019.

Spirit Wear – Mindy Battram has a source in Strathroy. Joanne suggested using Pete Thuss from Talbot Marketing. She will provide Emily with his information. We’re looking to keep the spirit wear basic with short sleeve tees, long sleeve tees and sweatshirts.

Field Trips – **Emily will map out our spring wants for the next meeting. We will also discuss bussing allocation.** It costs $200 to go anywhere local. There is a Rural Fund in the budget that we could use towards bussing.

**10. Next Meeting Date – Andrea**

Wed., Mar. 6, 2019 @ 6:00 p.m.