

DJS School Council Meeting

February 2, 2022, 6:00 p.m. (Virtual Via MS Teams)

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**1. Call to Order and Welcoming Remarks: Donna**

Attendees:

Donna Bartlett

Kristy Murray

Lisa Magee

Christine McCaw

Michelene Elias-Bates

Nancy Holman

Andrew Pratt

Elektra Plumley

Lucas Purdy

Kari Sloan

James Schoular

Regrets:

Kendra Runions

- Call to order: 6:04 p.m.
- Welcome Nancy Holman!
- Thank you to all in attendance

**2. Review of minutes from last meeting: Donna**

- Motion: Donna
- Second: Lisa

**3. Treasurer's Report: Nancy**

- Received financial report for our school budget.
- A few discrepancies
  - Purchases have not come out from previous spent
  - Full amount does not include expenses to come out
  - We will be mindful of the expense from now until end of year.
  - School will remove total at the end of the school year.
  - Review of a \$58 Independent from gift card. Nancy and Roxanne discussing offline.
  - New total will be coming from accountant for next meeting.
  - Will be ready for April.

**4. Student Report: Elektra & Lucas**

- Nothing new to report
- Not sure what they are allowed to do right now with COVID rules
- In-person activities or clubs outside of school

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- More clarity of what they can do
- Hoping there are ways that we can use atrium more or other areas to create activities for students
- Kudos to Lucas and Elektra for their hard work and leadership

### **5. Admin Report: Nancy & James**

- Ms. Holman shared some history her relatives have found (pictures from PPT)
- James Schoular Notes:
  - o Spoke about experience working at the school and now working with the school
  - o Very impressed by student council and the projects the students are doing
  - o High appreciation for all school staff and students to their resilience of the situation.
  - o Board has opened up community use of schools (coming soon)
  - o Looking for visiting a few times before end of school year.

### **6. Principal's Report: Nancy & Andrew**

- Public Health Protocols
  - o Letters sent home today re: vaccine at the school.
  - o Only students with signed formal consent can get at school
  - o Current precautions and procedures:
    - Completing active screening will need to be completed until further notice
    - Don't send the student to school if unwell
    - If unwell students show signs while at school, parents need to pick up as soon as possible. Emergency contacts will be contacted to ensure student gets picked up
    - Website gets updated daily with stats and updates from each school
    - Direct healthline provided who can speak to a nurse OR receive a call back in a timely fashion. \*School line GET 1-866-236-0123. 8:30-4:30pm.
- Potential bus cancellations, classroom and school closures:
  - o Messages will receive email notifications if signed up to The Family Room
  - o DJS Facebook page
  - o STEO website for bus cancellations

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- Hoping to get information the night before but may be the morning of if needed.
- Have not needed to close classroom or school from COVID related cases
- If we need to close, the move to remote learning will happen for that day or longer
- Reporting COVID absences:
  - On the school website will list number of students and which class
  - By 4pm daily the website gets updated.
  - School news:  
[https://djschoular.ucdsb.on.ca/school\\_news/d\\_j\\_schoular\\_covid-19\\_info\\_centre](https://djschoular.ucdsb.on.ca/school_news/d_j_schoular_covid-19_info_centre)
- All school staff and students received rapid test kits
  - If students go home with symptoms, a kit is optional to be sent home with student/staff
- Inclement Weather
  - Schools remain open. Students can access learning materials asynchronously through the classroom remote learning platforms
  - Students may share a learning space to ensure appropriate supervision. Masks are maintained at all times and social distancing
  - If walkers decided to stay home, the school needs to be notified
- Wellness Resources and Supports:
  - Mental Health Resources:
    - School have open doors to talk to students
    - Resources for all:
- Upcoming Events:
  - Little Caesars fundraiser – Feb 14 order forms
  - Pink Shirt Day – Feb 23
    - With Travis Price, co-founder of Pink Shirt Day
    - 40 minute show for all about reducing bullying & conflict
  - Black History Month – All month
  - Term reports – February 16
  - March Break – March 14-18
- IEPs - March 23

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### **7. Teacher's Report: Christine**

- Ms. Sloan's 7/8 and Mrs. Brunet's 4/5 class have been working collaboratively to come up with a video for "This is Me" from Britain's Got Talent. They have been analyzing the lyrics and understanding what makes each one unique and how to accept other's differences. They created a video for their own recording, created signs, posters and t-shirts. They examined the audition process, performance of the song, creation of video to document their learning. Students had a choice of actions and voice. Ms. Sloan's video is on Facebook and Mrs. Brunet will have their video soon.
- No other questions from faculty.
- Everyone is happy to be back in the school.

### **8. Fundraising: Donna**

- Little Caesars Fundraiser with funds going to the playground upgrades (pavement areas, new nets with two different heights for all students)
  - o Completely voluntary
  - o Online orders preferred
  - o Letter and information going to students February 3
  - o Pick up Wednesday, March 9 from 3:15pm to 5pm (will update all with pick up procedures) Curbside only.
  - o Nancy is the point of contact if they have any issues
  - o If you can not order online, staff will accept as long as the form is filled out and amount matches with cash in envelope
  - o Strict timeline (Feb 18 is the deadline)
  - o Profit of \$6 per item
  - o Goal is to sell 300 kits (\$1800 raised)

### **9. New Business: Donna**

- Thank You from Ms Staples for her retirement gift
- Thank you to Mr. Pratt to help collect the information for Ms. Staples gift
- School has run out of head lice shampoos. Have reached out to Lice Squad and get
  - o 14 applications per bottle
  - o \$52.95 per bottle
  - o Purchased 3 in the past
  - o Combs need to be purchased \$7.50 a comb (4-5 left in the school)
  - o School creates packages to send home with children confidentiality
  - o Need to purchase small containers and conditioner to create packages

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- Motion to cover complete full package (\$500) – 3 large bottles and 6 x combs
  - Motion: Lisa
  - Second: Kristy
- Donna to order \$233.40

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**10. Correspondence: Donna, Nancy, Andrew**

- Nothing new for this section

**11. Date of next meeting: Donna**

- Wednesday, April 6, 2022

Call to end meeting: 7:15 p.m.