

Jackman School Council (JSC) – December Council Meeting
Meeting minutes for December 4, 2017



Committee Attendees: Liz West (Co-Chair), Theodora Rowlands (Strategic Planning), Angela Mandalas (Strategic Planning), Daryl Watson (Member at Large), Rory Sullivan (Principal), Rachel Silvey (Equity), Sara O'Neill (Volunteer/Social Co-chair), Paul Cressman (Teacher Rep), Lisa Farun (Secretary), Rolf Struthers (Outdoor Environment), Jennifer Proos (English Education), Lisa Milne (Outdoor Environment), Tiffany Johnson (Fundraising), Neil Faba (Communications), Melanie Azeff (French Ed), Nahuel Arruda-Starzenski (Treasurer Co-Chair), Karen Pace (Teacher Rep – French), Cissy Ho (Communications Co-chair), Cynthia Wong (Treasurer Co-Chair)

Jackman Student(s)/Student Council: Molly & Alice

Parents / Other Attendees: Kelly Gauthier

Absent: Sandra Cowen, Astrid Jacques, Cameron Kirkwood, Suzy Papadouloulos, Karen DeGroot, Paula Gomez

- 1) Welcome (Liz)
- 2) Approval of November 2017 meeting minutes (Liz)
- 3) Open up to comments/concerns from visiting parents that may then be added to Open Floor Items
 - a. Eco Team Presentation (Molly & Alice)
 - i. Waste Free Snack Challenge – for additional information, visit the new Jackman eco blog wastefreejackman.blogspot.ca
- 4) Principal's Update (Rory)
 - a. Early French Immersion deadline has passed
 - b. Letter coming home soon to grade 6 students regarding middle school open houses
 - c. Remembrance Day ceremony was very thoughtful & well received
 - d. Professional learning – student achievement resource to work with staff regarding assessments, how to teach explicit reading to kindergarten students
 - e. Learning coach – working on co-planning & co-teaching model
 - f. Learning coach – all teachers will be released for ½ day workshop about unpacking their biases to create a more inclusive classroom (Jan/Feb)
 - g. First Prologue for the Performing Arts, Live Your Legacy, was a great success
 - h. CBC Music Classroom Challenge – Jackman has submitted an entry
 - i. Reconciliation – a shoebox project to support aboriginal communities with resources
 - j. Student equity club to begin and to work on an equity & social justice lens in the school
 - k. Right to Play to engage students at lunch time
 - l. Girls basketball & boys volleyball team updates
 - m. 30 educators from China to visit Jackman on December 8th
- 5) Blue Pages (Liz)
 - a. Discussion about recent article in the Toronto Star and what follow up, if any, parent council wants to take.

- i. Ideas: Parent council to check Blue Pages (online) to see if newly arriving teachers have a public record of misconduct. Parent council to write a letter to the trustee regarding concerns raised by the Toronto Star article.
- 6) Budget Update (Nahuel)
 - a. Raffle tickets are currently on sale, printing costs were approximately \$700
 - i. Class that sells the most raffle tickets to get an ice cream party
 - b. Jackman's MVP (Most Valuable Parent) Event (Kelly Gauthier)
 - i. February 22nd at Jackman
 - ii. Being organized by 15 member committee
 - iii. Fundraiser with silent auction, community building event
 - iv. Funds raised to be allocated towards the Field of Dreams
 - v. Low risk event financially - sponsorships are being/have been arranged
 - vi. Seeking \$2,000 budget for this event (TDSB permit, special occasions alcohol permit, pay duty police officer/security guard, rentals, decorations, food, alcohol, entertainment, printing costs, wrapping costs)
 - vii. Donors to get a letter of acknowledgement (to verify marketing via sponsorship)
 - 1. Seeking donations in kind, alcohol, vendors, services
 - viii. Up to 300 tickets to be sold and tickets to be used for food or drink
 - ix. **MOTION:** To allocate \$2000 to creating a new field of dreams fundraising event under the supervision of the fundraising committee and lead by Kelly Gauthier
 - 1. Sara brought motion, Theodora seconded
 - 2. Vote – **MOTION CARRIED** with unanimous support
 - c. Board Insurance – Rory to research if parent council is required to have this
 - i. Jackman Gear sales are going very well, now available on Shopify
- 7) Committee Updates:
 - a. Volunteer Social (Sara)
 - i. Movie night on December 15th – How the Grinch Stole Christmas
 - ii. Pizza purchased for teachers during parent-teacher interviews
 - iii. All classes have parent reps
 - iv. Seeking lost & found volunteers
 - b. Communications (Neil)
 - i. Gord Downie Chanie Wenjack Fund representative to come to holiday concert to collect \$3,000 donation
 - ii. Winter Concert – December 14th - Tiffany has volunteered to bring food & drinks
 - iii. Website - all parent council minutes are online, agendas, bylaws
 - 1. Seeking volunteer to update bylaws
 - c. Equity (Rachel)
 - i. Field trips are being planned
 - ii. Lunch & learn – can equity be a topic at these?
 - iii. Guest speakers to be arranged for parent community
 - iv. Outreach & recruiting for Equity Committee is underway
 - v. Planning to have an equity booth at the spring fair

- vi. Rachel is working with Teacher Equity lead to harmonize equity goals and support the school equity goals
- vii. Me to We to be explored at Jackman
- viii. Equity committee to liaise with Eco committee to discuss joint opportunities
- d. Outdoor Environment (Lisa)
 - i. Planted 900 bulbs in the Peace Garden on Remembrance Day
 - ii. Poppies planted in the peace sign
 - iii. Shed has been built
- e. Strategic Planning (Theodora)
 - i. Steering committee meeting December 5th to discuss marketing plan and fundraising ideas
- f. Fundraising (Tiffany)
 - i. Cookie Dough is coming on December 7th , 163 tubs ordered
 - 1. Rory to follow up regarding which school will receive funds
 - ii. Dance-a-thon on February 7th
 - iii. Marlees game for Jackman Families on March 24th
- g. Education – English (Jennifer)
 - i. Synopsis of Jennifer Story’s EQAO Ward Forum on November 29th – impacts of EQAO testing
 - ii. New Education Committee recruiting
 - 1. Committee to review core budget allocations for next year and potentially for raffle funds this year
- 8) Open Floor Items
 - a. Hot lunch program (Karen Pace) – There are a couple of noted concerns – spills, leftover food and speed of service
 - i. Sara to provide contact information to Karen Pace, who will follow up
 - b. IXL access temporarily suspended – this issue has been resolved

Meeting Adjourned. Next Meeting is scheduled for January 15, 2018