

J.W. Walker School Council Committee Minutes
Tuesday, January 12, 2021
6:30 P.M.
Via Google Meets

In attendance: Bill Daley, Sonja Bodnarchuk, Megan Pistilli, LeDawn Schmidt, Helena Guertin, Nicole Renberg, Tanya Wilson, Kendra Bodnar

1. Welcome and Introductions

Call to order at 6:33 pm

2. Review and approval of agenda from November 10, 2020

Approved by : Tanya Wilson Seconded by: LeDawn Schmidt

3. Review and approval of previous minutes

Approved by: Kendra Bodnar Seconded by: Megan Pistilli

4. Declaration of conflict of interest (if applicable)

None

5. Business arising from the minutes

None

6. Old Business/Updates

a) Poinsettia Fundraiser with Lowey's Update:

Helena talked to Lowey's. 36 vouchers were purchased for a profit of \$180.

Lowey's will mail a cheque to the school.

b) Mitts and Sleds purchased:

Sonja purchased sleds on sale at Tompkins. Mitts and shovels were also purchased, for a total of \$440.92. The office will let School Council know if more items need to be purchased at a later date.

7. News and Correspondence

None

8. Financial Report

As of January 12, 2021, we have a balance of \$2,693.34.

The DSF fundraiser was a success with a profit of \$2,130.44. It was agreed that this is a fundraiser that should be repeated again next year.

More DQ gift cards will be purchased soon.

9. Teacher/Non-Teacher Report

Teachers are using a variety of platforms (Google Classroom and SeeSaw) to engage students during online learning. Some technology issues, but overall, the shift to online learning has gone well.

10. Principal's Report

a) Christmas Hampers

-Spearheaded by Tracy Lewis-Tucker

- enough food was gathered to make 4 hampers for families and 1 hamper for the warming shelter

b) Online Learning

- thank you to teachers for their hard work with online learning
- the decision to close schools for two more weeks was made by the Northwestern Health Unit
- these are difficult times and parents have been very supportive

c) COVID-19 Update

- moving forward, any student who is directed by the NWHU to stay home for Covid-19 related reasons for more than three days in a week will be provided with synchronous learning opportunities
- it will now be mandatory for students in Grades 1-3 to also wear masks

d) 2021-2022 School Year Calendar

- a survey is available on the RRDSB website to vote for the upcoming school year calendar. Please vote!

e) School Newsletters

- School Council appreciates the school newsletters and feels they are important to continue

f) Code of Conduct

- Bill shared additions to the Code of Conduct applicable to J. W. Walker (behaviour and dress code)

11. New Business

None

12. Questions and Answers

13. Next Meeting Date: Tuesday, April 20, 2021

14. Adjournment at 7:24 pm

Approved by: Helena Guertin

Seconded by: Megan Pistilli