

**SCHOOL COUNCIL MINUTES  
FEBRUARY 4 2020**

**Present: Nick Shea, Suzanne Fallis, Jenn Murphy, Kate Aucoin, Jackie Robinson, Kristine Phillips, Desiree Newman**

**Contact List:**

1. Approval of Agenda – motion Jen Pym Murphy, seconded Kate Aucoin
2. Approval of September Minutes – motion Val Mitchell – seconded Jenn Murphy
3. Principal’s Report
  - a. EQAO – Nick brought forth Vincent Massey results from the 2018-2019 EQAO testing. Discussion and information on strengths, areas requiring growth, how student performance is being assessed, what plans are in place to promote success and growth for students.  
Specific discussion around Math Goal, Literacy Goal, and Well-Being Focus.
  - b. Copies of the Learning Plan Provided.
  - c. Introduction of Tara Bond as our school representative. Tara will bring information from the staff to the council.
  - d. Nick provided a brief summary of grandfather teaching
  - e. Book Fair is running from Tuesday November 5<sup>th</sup> to Tuesday November 12<sup>th</sup>. It will be open the evening of Thursday November 7<sup>th</sup> from 2:50-6:00 p.m.. **Action – Suzanne to send out school message.**
  - f. In an effort to promote attendance Nick has been recognizing student who have been present for the week and for the month. There is a draw for a pizza party for those who have been present for the month.
  - g. **CLUBS Robotics Club** – Mr. Woodman will be starting a robotics club for students interested in grades 3 and 4. Ms. Ruckstuhl and will be starting a **“Makers” club** that will run second break from Monday to Thursday. Students will bring in projects that they would like to work on, for example knitting, art projects, crafts. Mr. Shea will be starting a **Carpentry Club** on Fridays. Their first project will be racks for scooters, then fences for a wild garden out back.
  - h. Drum Fit – this is a workout that involves music, yoga balls placed on a large bucket and drum sticks. Something new and exciting for our students.
  - i. Staff Shirts – Nick ordered Vincent Massey shirts for all of the staff. They have our logo on the front and our motto “I am because we are” on the back. Staff are encouraged to wear these on Thursdays.
  - j. Reading Program. We have two reading programs starting. We have parent volunteers starting a program during the day for grade 2 students. Each student will receive an

extra 100 minutes of reading time each week. This is aimed at increasing the reading levels and to promote reading as a fun activity.

- k. The second program will run Tuesdays and Thursdays from 2:50-3:30. We have Ms. Ruckstuhl, Ms. Carlson, Mr. Shea, Ms. deVries, and high school students helping. This is also geared towards our grade 2 students.
- l. Embedded Math Coach – to help our student increase their math skills Vincent Massey has been allocated a part time Embedded Math Coach. Mr. Kolar has been hired for this position. He will be working closely with the students and teachers of grades 5 and 6.
- m. Jungle Sport – Jungle Sport will be happening in the gym February 24<sup>th</sup>- February 28<sup>th</sup>.

**Action Suzanne – Book the Gym**

- n. Sports Programs – So far in sports we have had Cross Country, Jr. and Int. Soccer, Jr. and Int. Rugby. Upcoming is Int. Volleyball
  - o. Eat Together – We are hoping to have an “Eat Together” (an event where we have the entire school sit down in 3 sessions to enjoy a meal) We place older students with younger student to form a family unit and this also promotes the older students helping the younger students.
4. Financial Report was provided by Jackie.
- 5.
- a. Fundraising Plan – This year we will be doing Pizza Lunch, Hotdog Lunch, Recipes in a Jar, Poinsettia Sales, Holiday Market, and Spring Fling (Wednesday June 3<sup>rd</sup> 5:00-8:00)

**Action Suzanne – book gym and yard for Spring Fling**

**Do School Connects for Holiday Market (new flyer)**

- b. Request for \$205 for each homeroom for Scientist in the school. Motion carried
- Action Suzanne – do transfer for the 4 intermediate classes.**

**Meeting Adjourned 5:45**

**Next Meeting Tuesday February 4 2020**