

Q.M. School Council Minutes
January 07, 2021
Via WebEx

In Attendance:

Charlie Martin - Chair
Greg Thomas- Vice Chair
Tinnika Demeester – Parent Rep.
Sonal Gohil- Principal
Nancy Zomer- Teacher Rep.
Peter Cain- Vice Principal
Amanda Fuller – Head Secretary
Patricia Donnelly- Secretary

1) Welcome and Attendance: Charlie Martin

2) November Minutes

No matters arriving from minutes.

Approved- Patricia, Seconded- Greg

Action: *Sonal to continue to try to track down March 2020 minutes through Tina Futers and Heather Ray for approval*

3) Treasurers Report: Charlie Martin

Approved- Patricia Seconded -Greg

4) Spirit Wear Fundraiser Presentation: Greg Thomas

Action: *Charlie and Greg to draft a summary to be distributed to parents for approval/input. Deadline Jan.15.*

Action: *Executive to vote via email*

5) School Council Constitution Presented by Charlie Martin and Sonal Gohil

Shared with executive and wider parent community

Pending Approval by Executive

Action: *Executive E-vote to approve constitution*

6) Teacher Report: Nancy Zomer

Nature Nancy is booked and moving forward. Waiting to hear whether the school closures will effect the scheduled visits for the end of January. Charlie wished to know the cost difference between Nature Nancy and Scientists in the School to determine whether there was an option to have additional Nature Nancy sessions.

Action: *Nancy Zomer to provide costs of both*

7) Principal's Report: Sonal Gohil

- Thank you to our parents/community for supporting us with day to day operations
- Students have been happy to come to school
- enrollment continues to go up in the physical building – we had 12 students return to us this week
- As a school we have placed an emphasis on Pivoting to remote learning if needed
- PD for all teachers in December to learn more about Edsby and Google Classroom
- Encouraging Edsby as the main communication platform with Google Classroom tied to it
- This week – synchronous and asynchronous learning
- Staff are engaging students either through the use of technology or phone calls when necessary
- We are still taking attendance on a daily basis
- As per updated provincial message, all elementary schools in Southern Ontario closed until January 25
- We will continue to update the community on School Talk

8) Other Business

Charlie Martin followed up with Basterfield and Associates regarding the school yard plans and is still awaiting a response

Greg Thomas and Charlie Martin reported on their experience at the Regional Parent Council WebEx

9) Motion to adjourn- Charlie Martin

10) Next Meeting: March 4, 2021 at 6:00 pm via WebEx