

GLEN WILLIAMS SCHOOL PARENT COUNCIL MEETING April 1, 2014

In attendance: Vince Cundari, Kara Jackson, Lisa Gombocz, Joanne Collier, Paul Bryan, Tracey Bastedo, Tasha Evans, Vanessa Legair

Acceptance of March 2014 minutes – Venessa Legair & Paul Bryan approved the minutes

Trustee report

Pic representative sent email indicating that board is looking for input on budget – available on line

Guest Speaker:

Alice Strachan Directors Annual Report Brochures supplied for review for anyone who is interested.

- Guidelines have been written for guidance on school ground greening
- Copies of board's strategic plan were provided
- Report being presented to the board on WIFI filtering at meeting on April 2nd - Alice was looking for immediate feedback on this issue
- Special education classes are to be added in North Halton...unsure of location yet...2 classes are to offer temporary support...one for communication and one for behaviour
- Updates: couple of things impacting 11 trustees – jurisdictions would change boundaries in Halton Hills. 4 years from now hoping to add an extra trustee so perhaps Georgetown/Acton can be separated from the whole Halton Hills boundaries.
- Communications classes – students needing extra help & behaviour classes programs in Halton Hills. Start in Sept of this year.
- Report Wi-Fi filtering in schools. Not filtered in our board. Coached in encouraged to use what is appropriate. Being voted tomorrow night. Get back to Alice if anyone has strong opinions on this issue.
- Does the board vote to implement safe Wi-Fi restricted usage of Wi-Fi Technology in the classroom needs to be restricted?
- Rules are developed with the students and teachers when technology is being used in the class/library.
- Rules on Snow: wondering about board process around schools individually making decisions on school closures.
- Director is responsible for making that decision
- Message to parents: if you're ever in doubt – keep your child at home. It is a tough call for the board.

Principal's Report

Based on survey data gathered in January and February of this year, there is a need for Before and After School Care. I am not sure where it will be housed or who the provider will be or when it will officially begin. All this is in the works.

- Day of Pink is April 9 – posters, announcements. Everyone is encouraged to wear pink and stand up against Anti-Bullying behaviours

- 200 Hamburgers will be donated by MacGregor's Meat and Seafood

- \$200.00 for Art Program will be needed this year as the Grant for the Mill did not come through.

- Before/After School day Care Program is a go. More information to come.

April 9 – Wear Pink day for ante bullying

Financial Report: \$2200.00 in account – everything allocated to date.

Teacher's report

April 3 – volleyball at msb
April 1 Choir
April 8 Choir
April 10th French play
April 11th spring dance and pita day
April 15 choir
April 18th good Friday
April 21 Easter Monday
April 22 earth day, 22 minute makeover, choir, and boys' volleyball tournament at silver creek
April 25 glen gathering
April 26 community cleanup
April 29 choir, girls' volleyball at silver creek
May 5 music Monday
May 19 Victoria day
May 21 grade 5's go to Centennial

Business arising from minutes

- Spring Dance – 7 – 9 Under the sea theme
- Flyers to go out April 2
- Decorations seaweed, fish, lights
- Need volunteers after school
- Rent a bubble machine
- Imax DVD of under the sea aquatic theme.
- Send Lisa Ideas for Spring Dance
- Something for kids to take home – 3.00 per person 12.00 per family
- Snack room for treats to sell
- Rubber dingy for drinks
- End of School BBQ: June 5th – Location: Glen Williams School Will decides closer to date if it's in the back or front or combination of both.
- Joanne to talk to Rick to see if he will BBQ and/or donate hotdogs/buns/everything else.
- Party Perfect Rentals: Smaller package Balloon & Face Painting and small bouncy castle and one of the larger obstacle course.
- Amy has 200 hamburgers donated to her for the BBQ and maybe some others.
- Get some high school kids to help in various events.
- Volunteer Sheets – need to add special events such as BBQ, Science in the Class,
- Lisa to still talk to the George and Dragon about Parent night and donating a portion to school.
- FDK update: Still on hold Credit Valley Conservation Authority has still not approved the plans.
- Still not updates. Stay tuned.
- Box for Stuffed Animals Drive is in front office.
- Adam Rental for tables. Check with Town Hall for extra Table?

Next meeting May 6th