

Genesis Home & School Meeting Held on February 20, 2018 MINUTES

ASQUINO, Carolina	IACONETTI, Sandra	PIVETTA, Sonia
BEAULIEU, Julie	LANZON, Tina	
BRESCIA, Josie	MARAK, Tracy	
CAMMISANO, Josie	MARINELLI, Patty (Vice-President)	
CATALANI, Anita (Treasurer)	MORI, Gina	
FERRARO, Anne-Marie	NEVEU, Lynn (Principal)	
FILLIPIN, Robert	PISEGNA, Sandra (Secretary)	

Adoption of the Agenda:

Motion to adopt the agenda of February 20th, 2018 with the following additions and changes:

- Date change to the Additions, corrections, and adoption of minutes from January 21st to January 30th
- Date change of next Home and School meeting from March 21st to March 20th
- Add Buck-A-Book under Fundraising Committee
- Add St Patrick's Day Activity under New Business

***Motioned By: Sonia Pivetta
Adopted***

Seconded by: Anne-Marie Ferraro

Adoption of the Minutes:

Motion to adopt the minutes of the meeting held on January 30th, 2017.

*Motioned by: Sonia Pivetta
Adopted*

Seconded by: Sandra Iaconetti

Business Arising from Previous meeting

- **Speaker Update** – The cost of purchasing a speaker for Home and School events is \$250.00 +tax.

*Sandra Pisegna motions to allocate \$300 to purchase a speaker for Home and School. Julie Beaulieu seconds.
Adopted.*

- **Garage Sale Update** –Anne Marie Ferraro asked to be put in touch with the St Vincent Home and School president. The executive team will contact SVES HandS to see if they plan on holding a garage sale this year and if there is the possibility of collaborating with them.
- **Valentine's Day Feedback** – Both the children and staff were very pleased with the pizza lunch, cookies, and little Valentine's Day card. Thank you to all the Volunteers who helped make this a success.

Question Period (Guests) – none

Reports

a) Chairperson:

- Unfortunately, Tina Rosato could not be present so Patty Marinelli spoke on her behalf. The QFHSA AGM is coming up on April 28th. In the past, members have attended both the daytime conferences and the evening dinner. HandS typically allocates funds for members to attend. Tina would like interested members to see her as soon as possible. It is important that Genesis be represented at the AGM, especially for those who receive awards for being outstanding volunteers. If anybody would like to nominate a volunteer to be a recipient of one of these awards, please email HandS as soon as possible.

*Patty Marinelli motions to allocate \$300.00 to pay for the members who would like to attend the AGM. Sandra Iaconetti seconds.
Adopted.*

b) Treasurer:

- Funds Available are \$22 501.31

c) Principal:

- Ms. Neveu thanked all members of HandS who organized and volunteered for Teacher Appreciation Week. It was a very successful week and the teachers expressed their gratitude with a lovely card.
- Valentine's Day was also successful and appreciated by all.
- Grade 5 participated in a Ball Hockey Tournament on the last PED Day. There will be more tournaments for the Cycle 3 students in the future.
- Students are asked to work on the new school Logo in their Art classes. By the end of March, there should be a new one chosen.
- Carnival Day is cancelled due to the weather. In the meantime, there will be activities on the Friday afternoon organized by the teachers. Children will be allowed to go to different classrooms every half hour.
- The week before Spring Break is a regular school week. The staff has spiced it up with some dress down activities.
- Miss Nadia in Grade 6 has won the Laval Families award for being an outstanding teacher. We are all very proud!

d) Governing Board Liaison – please refer to the Genesis website

e) Committees

➤ Fundraising Committee

- **TCBY (Sandy Di Fruscia and Pina Di Luca)** – Everything is running smoothly.
- **Buck-A-Book** – Patty Marinelli would like to have a Buck-Book-Sale at the next Teacher/Parent Night in March. We have many books to sell and many children enjoy coming to school to buy books. Some members suggested we have a Book Drop off Box for the students in the yard where they can take books and leave books freely.
- **École en Santé/Healthy School Approach** – Theresa Andrusko is looking into booking Curling since it is a very popular activity. Ms. Neveu is also looking into getting the Curling activity back in the school for the kids.
- **Holiday Decorating (Sabrina Livornetti)** – The committee will be decorating for I Love to Read week in March.
- **Graduation Committee (Tracy Marak)** – The committee will be having one last Bake Sale at the end of March for the students during school hours. It will be Easter themed.
- **Fun Day Committee** – Patty Marinelli and Anita Catalani volunteered to chair this committee. More information to follow.

- **Staff Appreciation Week** - Staff Appreciation week went very well. All the help from the volunteers was greatly appreciated and made this week a huge success. The feedback was all positive and the committee stayed under budget.
- **Garden Club Committee (Gina Mori and Tracy Marak)** – Monday was the last day of Garden Club before the March Break. The club will start again in March when there is more to do. The chairpersons asked Hands if they could defray the cost of transportation for a field trip they are organizing for the club members on a PED Day.

Josie Brescia motions to allocate 50% of the cost of transportation for the Garden Club field trip. Julie Beaulieu seconds.

13 Yes

1 Abstain

Adopted.

New Business:

- **Classroom and School Yard Toys** – At the last meeting, Hands asked if there was a need to purchase and update toys and games used for indoor recess as well as outdoor. Miss Pina looked into it and did find that she would need about \$400.00 to replenish the toys.

Sandra Pisegna motions to allocate \$400.00 towards the purchase of indoor and outdoor toys and games for recess. Gina Mori seconds.

Adopted.

- **St. Patrick's Day Activity** – Tina Rosato would like to organize a St. Patrick's Day lunchtime activity on March 16th. The activity can be anything from a craft to science based. If anybody has any ideas or suggestions, please email Hands.

Patty Marinelli motions to allocate \$150.00 to a lunchtime St. Patrick's Day Activity. Sandra Pisegna seconds.

Adopted.

Varia - none

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn the meeting by Carolina Asquino. Sandra Pisegna seconds.

Adopted

Next Meeting: March 20th, 2018



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