**QES HOME & SCHOOL ASSOCIATION**

**Meeting Minutes**

**Thursday, November 14, 2019 at 6:30pm**

**Present:** Kelly Barrieau Tara McGraw Kristi Young Jill Powell

Breanne Mather Amanda MacMullin Amanda McCarthy Lindsay Dow Candace Hatfield Natalie Doiron

Natalie Gaddess

**Regrets:** Hillary Williams Tara Thibault Melissa Blucher

Erin Pyne

**1.0 Call to order** at 1835

**2.0 Welcome**

Everyone introduced themselves and Tara welcomed everyone to the meeting.

**3.0 Additions to Agenda**

None

**Approval of agenda**

Moved by Kristi Young seconded by Amanda McCarthy

**CARRIED**

**4.0 Approval of Previous Minutes**

Moved by Lindsay Dow and seconded by Jill Powell to approve the minutes from the October 2019 meeting.

**CARRIED**

**5.0 New Business:**

**5.1** **Skating costs and discussion**

Skating costs for the fall came to $5226.12. This included ice rental at the QMA for 4 weeks, Tues-Thursdays from 9am-1215pm in October. This is quite a cost to the Home and School (even though some of it is paid for by school fees- 20% remain unpaid), but it is something we want to keep doing. Tara proposed cutting costs somehow, and it was decided to put more classes on the ice at once, keep the 4 weeks, but do only 2 days a week. This will be proposed to the teachers by Kelly Barrieau, and bussing issues will also be looked at, as there were times this year when the students were bussed due to inclement weather.

**5.2 Winter Fun Day**

Tara wanted to briefly bring up Winter Fun day that takes place the Friday before March break. This is a day where Mr. Boucher organizes outdoor fun and games for the students. Home and School has supplied volunteers and hot chocolate in the past, and intend to do this again this coming year. Kristi suggested paper cups for the Hot Chocolate to be more sustainable.

**6.0 Unfinished business**

**6.1 Pancake breakfast update**

The pancake breakfast will be held on December 16th at QES. In years past pancakes were made up at Kings Church that morning by volunteers, and then brought down to the school. The table/ supplies set up and serving was also done that morning by volunteers/ parents (mostly from Home and School). This has always been a rush and a bit chaotic the morning of. Kathryn Brittain (our community school liaison) proposed that pancakes be made prior to the day, as well as setup. Forms will be sent home with students, requesting involvement for either. The Liaison will coordinate the pancake making, and Tara to coordinate setup at the school.

**6.2 School Signage**

Tara has been in contact with John from Atlantic Signs in Saint John and he has done a mock up of a sign for the entrance to the school at the main doors. Tara was also in contact with another business suggested by the District, but is waiting to hear back from them. The PSCC will donate $500 towards the cost of the sign when the time comes. More info to come at next meeting.

**6.3 Outdoor basketball net install and pavement stencils**

Kelly reported that there is to be new install of a ramp out back of the K wing, and therefore we are waiting on this to ensure clearance for the basketball net installs. Brad McLaughlin will do the install when needed.

Some stencils have been put down, but had to be sent back. They are quite easy to install, and more to be done in future.

**7.0 Chair Reports:**

**7.1 Treasurer**

Hillary absent. Kristi had approximate report of money made from fall fundraising. At this time ~$722 from the Local Auction drive; $3400 from the Fun Run; $844 from the fall basket.

**7.2 Staff Appreciation**

To take place in Feb 2020**.** More info to come.

**7.3 Fundraising**

Kristi provided a printout of the Fundraising schedule for the rest of the year. Home and School will be doing an online Facebook auction in March 2020 (16-27?). This will be started to promote in January.

The First QES Spring Fling will take place on May 23rd. Melissa and Julie are taking the lead on this. Letters to go out to parents in April 14-24. There will also be 50/50 tickets in May (11-22).

Tickets for a Summer basket full of goodies will go on sale from June 1-10th.

Possibility of a movie night in April. Custodian availability must be looked at, as well as license to play a movie.

**7.4 Playground**

Nothing new to report

**8.0**

Meeting adjourned at 1940.

Next meeting January 23, 2020