

# John Darling Public School School Council Meeting Thursday November 14, 2024

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**In Attendance:** Cassandra Muhlbock, Holly Fuhr, Laurie Davison, Jodi Cloutier, Danielle O'Connor, Shannon McDaid, Hailey Baldwin, Danielle Vines, James Bond

## **Getting Started (6:30pm)**

Motion to approve the Agenda for November Jodi, second Laurie

Motion to approve the Minutes from October Hailey, second Danielle

It was mentioned to James Bond that the Google Group may not be working for everyone, or some people did not get the link. Please send your Gmail to James.

## **Principal/ Teacher Report**

### **Admin Report**

School Council Emails - Do you have Gmail?

School Events

Halloween & Diwali Feedback

Winter Concert Date - December 12 @ 2:00 PM

Remebrance Day

Visitors welcome next year

Playground Improvements

Need to have the Area Manager review our site first

[JD School Grounds Revitalizations Needs](#)

[PARCS](#) Inspected our playgrounds in November and I am waiting for the report to ask for any deficiencies to be repaired

Drake Newsletter Feedback

Steps for Setting Up Fundraising Items on School Day

Please provide the office staff with the following information:

Description of item (blurb explaining about the fundraiser)

Colour, size, pricing of items

Opening and closing dates product is available to purchase (please note products are available to purchase until midnight of the closing date)

This information needs to be provided to the office at least two school days before you would like it to be posted to School-Day. Also, allow at least two school days after the product closes for office staff to produce the final item list to the School Council.

Note: School-Day charges a 2.9% fee on every product posted (this is shown on the School Budget spreadsheet)

Budget Requests

Home Reading - \$170

\$150 set-up cost \$0.4 per unit. Have purchased 200x50 nights.  
Would like to purchase 100x200 nights.Total with tax of \$270  
(requesting \$170 additional funds)

#### Parent Involvement Funding Grant

For the 2024-25 school year, the Ministry of Education will be providing funds to schools to support communication with parents and to ensure greater involvement of parents in education.

Each school will receive \$500 for projects that demonstrate inclusion/outreach to school communities. Examples of expenditures that demonstrate parent engagement, inclusion, equity and/or outreach to school communities may include:

- support of the School Improvement Plan;
- costs related to parent engagement activities in your school;
- translation of posters/literature;
- purchase of parenting books or videos to loan to parents;
- engagement initiatives that support optimizing student learning and achievement;
- meeting costs including honoraria for guest presenters;
- costs related to parent information/orientation sessions;
- costs incurred for workshops supporting student learning and achievement;
- costs related to the development and maintenance of the school websites;
- initiatives that assist special community populations facing access/involvement barriers.

#### Funds Transfer:

The \$500 allocation has been transferred into each school's School Council GL account by the Finance Department:

#### School Retention of Receipts for Audit Purposes:

Schools are required to keep their Parent Involvement Fund receipts in a separate file, similar to the Petty Cash process. The budget code that expenses will be charged to should be recorded on each receipt and have the proper budget sign off, i.e., Principal or Budget VP.

#### Action

##### Artshine

##### Costs

8-week program on Tuesday-Thursday: \$150+HST  
6-week program on Monday or Friday: \$112.50+HST

#### Initiatives

- ArtShine – We will offer this in the new year, no a council event.
- Dominos – we will be offering this in the new year as a fundraiser.
- Rheo Thompson - vote to order 3 boxes of milk chocolate (600 chocolates) and one box of dark chocolate (200 chocolates) Welcome will be charging \$3.00 for each one. Pick up will be

Wednesday November 11th from. 310 to 6pm. Or sent home with students. Cassandra and Shannon will sort the chocolate orders ahead of time.

- Movie night recap was shared. Total profit was \$317.54 and huge thank you to all who helped and donated towards the success.
- We will discuss a Spring movie night targeted towards the older grades. We will have to get the licencing again, Cassandra will look into a yearly licence.
- We discussed council purchasing a second Gaga pit, this was voted on after the council meeting via email and approved.
- Bingo update - the admin documents are almost complete, then we will have the details to schedule people to help.
- Start thinking about Darlingfest 2025!

#### **Additional Topics**

- Danielle requested \$170.00 from council for the purchase of additional resources for home reading
- Council voted and this was approved

#### **Treasurer's Report**

- \$12,078.14

#### **Next Meetings (Subject to change)**

- Thursday December 5<sup>th</sup>, 2024 – Minute taker TBD
- Thursday January 9<sup>th</sup>, 2025 – Minute taker TBD
- Thursday February 6<sup>th</sup>, 2025 – Minute taker TBD
- Thursday March 6<sup>th</sup>, 2025 – Minute taker TBD
- Thursday April 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2025 - Minute taker TBD
- Thursday May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025 - Minute taker TBD
- Thursday June 5<sup>th</sup>, 2025 - Minute taker TBD

#### **Meeting Adjourned:**

- 7:40 PM