

Mount Hope Elementary School

School Council 2023/2024

Chair: Heidi Oglesby **Co-chair:** Mia Del Grande

Secretary: Shasta Cividino

Attendees: Ms. Burnagiel, Heidi Oglesby, Sarah Wiltshire, Michelle Warner, Mirela Cupovic, Amy Simpson, Wendy Tanner, Matt Barone, Bev Barone, Amy Bury, Meghan Kuyntjes, Mme. Young, Laura Dunnam, Jamie Powell, Trish Woehrle, Shasta Cividino

April 30th, 2024

Agenda Item	Minutes	Actions
Welcome	Agenda review & land acknowledgement <i>13 voting members present, quorum reached.</i> School Council Norms review	
Principal's Report	School Updates There will be three new portables added for September 2024 due to an increase in enrollment. At this time, we are approximately one year out from the start of construction and the Board has submitted the request for proposals for architects. The goal will be for occupancy of the new school space as of September 2027. Similar to last school year, classroom assignments will be available for MHES families as of August 2024 via Power School. Staffing Ms. Burnagiel is currently recruiting and reviewing internal applicants for additional permanent positions available within the school. Update on school pinny purchases Currently the school is reviewing quotes to purchase new school shirts for school sporting events. Purchase would be 50 new shirts to bring the total to 90. Fundraising allocation consideration Discussion around current fund-raising allocation takes place and up for review for next school year. The Council will be presented with alternative ideas to align with schools across the system and reduce the need to vote on every purchase. Continuous opportunities for classroom improvement	

	<p>Ms. Burnagiel presented to Council the “Math Up” resource for elementary/intermediate students. Currently, MHES holds three licenses, which do not expire and receive continuous upgrades. Ms. Burnagiel asked Council to consider purchasing as many as possible. The Council discussed how this resource would be distributed equitably across grades and this would be done based on teacher interest.</p>	
<p>Teacher’s Report</p>	<p>Mme. Young shared the Teacher’s Report with the Council</p> <p>A request has been brought forward by the FDK team requesting access to a light (\$200) and a tuft tray for sensory play (\$200).</p> <p>The school is participating in a curling presentation the week of April 29th.</p> <p>Junior Boys basketball made to quarter finals but unfortunately lost.</p> <p>On May 2nd, there will be a swim meet at Jimmy Thompson pool that MHES will be participating in.</p> <p>On May 9th, the Gr. 6-8’s will be attending a baseball game with the Cardinals from 9:45AM-2:00PM.</p> <p>On May 15th, there will be a co-ed soccer tournament hosted for Gr.’s 5/6 and 7/8s at Frank Panabaker Elementary School.</p> <p>On May 29th, the Gr. 7/8’s will be visiting Ancaster High School to watch their performance of Matilda.</p> <p>The week of May 6th is Mental Health week with classroom activities running each day.</p> <p>The Running Club for Gr. 3+ has started on Tuesdays and Thursdays.</p> <p>Jump Rope for Heart will take place May 24th this year.</p> <p>There is a planned flag football tournament that will be hosted for Gr.’s 7/8 – DATE TBC</p> <p>Track and Field for this year is on hold but for re-consideration for attendance next year.</p>	

Treasurer's Report	Currently the total within the account is \$12,076.45 with consideration for what is owed in-year.	
Chair's Report	<p>2nd Community movie night Confirmed to be moving forward with a 2nd movie night that will be hosted June 13th for all grades.</p> <p>MHES Open House Will be hosted on school property on May 9th. There will be a raffle (Council agreed to maintain tickets at \$2/ticket or 3 for \$5), two food trucks and one ice cream truck. Discussion took place about consideration of cancelling community vendors due to low interest and barrier of now requiring insurance. Council members encouraged to reach out to contacts in community to bolster support. Will also have a pie in the face activity for some staff and Ms. Burnagiel to participate. A motion was put forward to keep community members at event put forward by Shasta, seconded by Mirela.</p> <p>Currently, the list of community members contacted can be accessed by talking to Michelle W.</p> <p>PRO (Parent Reaching Out) Grant – Math Night Math Night will take place on May 23rd in the gym, with notice out to families. A motion was put forward to use outreach of \$500 total towards raffle prizes by Matt B, seconded by Meaghan. Looking to obtain high school student volunteers to assist with Math Night.</p> <p>Spirit Wear The plan will be to offer spirit wear again in Fall 2024.</p> <p>Yearbook The 23/24 yearbook advertisement has gone out to families for purchase (\$20 each) for September delivery.</p> <p>Chocolate Fundraiser Decision regarding chocolate fundraiser for 24/25 school year needs to be made by May. Options remains at the \$3/box to \$5/box range depending on chocolate option. Ordering ahead gets free shipping, however a big change this year is that the company will not allow open boxes to be returned, which in the past they have. This will mean based on past year, we will have a lot of left over chocolate that cannot be returned.</p> <p>Grade 8 Graduation</p>	<p>8 voting members favour, motion passed.</p> <p>All in favour, motion passed.</p> <p>Heidi will send email to School Council regarding chocolate options for virtual consideration.</p>

	<p>Discussion by Council around supporting Gr. 8 graduation costs. A motion was made by Michelle W to support \$1000 towards graduation, seconded by Matt.</p> <p>Trish put forward a suggestion to allow Ms. Burnagiel to utilize up to \$1000 to use to purchase the requested tables for the JK/SK team, seconded by Meaghan.</p> <p>Mirela put forward motion to assign \$8000 towards Math Up, seconded by Sarah W.</p>	<p>12 voting members approved, motion passed.</p> <p>All in favour, motion passed.</p> <p>7 voting members approved, motion passed.</p>
Adjournment	<p>Motion to adjourn at 8:19PM made by Shasta, seconded by Mirela. Motion passed to adjourn meeting.</p> <p>Next meeting: May 28th at 6PM.</p>	

23 Voting members as elected for 2023/24 School Year:

Sarah Wiltshire, Vanessa Hewitt, Meghan Kuyntjes, Jamie Powell, Amy Simpson, Michelle Warner, Steffany Scott, Wendy Tanner, Bev Barone, Matt Barone, Jana Amla, Saheefa Naqvi, Abra Van Riemsdyk, Mirela Cupovic, Melissa Jewell, Mia Del Grande, Nicole Khouasaba, Laura Dunnam, Candice Vansickle, Amy Bury, Trish Woehrle, Nicole Johnston, Shasta Cividino