

NEWCASTLE PUBLIC SCHOOL  
SCHOOL & COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the School & Community Council Monthly Meeting  
Monday February 5th, 2024

6:00pm

Newcastle Public School Library

Attendance	
Present:	Brittany Heerschop Sofiat Ishola Chris Johnson Stefanie Lingard Sarah Loscavo Hollie Mounce Nalini Rajah Bailey Rankin Venessa Roberts-White Janel Tutak Lindsay Vasseur
Regrets:	Haley Dundas Eric Grice Alison McVittie-Quinn Helen Thompson

Call to order - Stefanie called the meeting to order at 6:01pm	
Land Acknowledgment - Chris Johnson	
Motion to accept the agenda	
Motion by: Sarah Loscavo	
Seconded by:	Brittany Heerschop
All in favour	
Motion to accept the minutes from February 5, 2024	
Motion by:	Hollie Mounce
Seconded by:	Nalini Rajah
All in favour	

# Reports from School & Community Reports

## Principal's Report - Given by Chris Johnson

- Report from the Staff Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Committee: Book Club "This Book is Anti-Racist" continues learning about Ramadan. Greek Heritage Month added.
- Library mural has been placed on hold with another option on the table
- Q-Mack was very popular
- Ski Club concluded just over 2 weeks ago
- The musical has been our school's focus, all students participating (thank you Mr. Mac)
- Select Grade 5 members of the choir performed at last week's Board Meeting
- Dates for Visits and an open house will announced after the break
- Gr. 5s & 6s will be at the Pines & Gr. 7s & 8s will be at Clarke

### Upcoming Dates:

5th & 6th: School Musical

7th: Dance a Thon

8th-15th: March Break

18th: Milestone Pics for SK, Gr. 4 & 5 students

## Teachers Report

Clubs all doing well and NPS:

Leadership Club

Choir

Board Game Club

Baseball Club

Chess

Battle of the Books

Mindfulness Club

Dance Club

Rubik's Cube Club

## YMCA

no report

## Reports from Executive members

Chair - Stefanie Lingard

- Working on the PRO Grant approved Space themed STEM night to be held in April

Vice-Chair

- No report

Treasurer - Sarah Loscavo

Motion to to move the money from the Carnival account, \$303.61 to the General Account

Motion by:

Nalini Rajah

Seconded by:

Venessa Roberts-White

All in favour

Secretary - Janel Tutak

no report

## Updates from Committees

Regional Report - Sofiat

Fundraising - Stefanie Lingard

- Planning for Dance-a-thon is underway (March 7th)
- Movie Night went well raising around \$900

- Treat Day was sold out raising around \$1100
- Fun Fair planning has started with food trucks and inflatables booked for Thursday, June 6th

#### Hot Lunch & Snack - Nalini Rajah

- Snack program continues to be appreciated and frequently used by students. Only apples are offered in the office
- Looking at adding Subway every other week on Mondays
- Stopping Booster Juice this year

#### Policies & Procedures - Stefanie Lingard

No Report

## New Business & Motions

Fundraising Committee to met before meeting

Motion to move \$13,000 from the playground account to be used for 3 Buddy Benches

Motion made by:	Nalini Rajah
Seconded by:	Hollie Mounce

All in favour

Motion by Venessa Roberts-White to adjourn the meeting

6:47pm

Seconded by Janel Tutak

Next Meeting  
Newcastle Public School Library  
Monday, April 15, 2024  
6:00 pm