



MEETING MINUTES for May 2022 General Meeting

Monday, May 9, 2022 6.30-8pm - Zoom meeting

In attendance: 11

1. Welcome / Land Acknowledgement / Introductions (6.30-6.40)

2. Review of minutes from April 5th, 2022 (6.40-6.45)

Motion to approve the minutes from April 5th, 2022 meeting

MSC

3. Reports / updates (6.45-7.35)

a. Administration (6.45-7.20)

i. Principal – Vital Peeters

a/ Lots of events happening at the school:

- Grade 7 camp: May 30 – June 3
- Hastings grade 7 Arts & Craft Market – fundraiser for camp and leaving ceremony activities; May 13th Friday 3-5pm; May 14th Sat 11-2pm
- Welcome to K – June 10th – new students come visit the school
- June 9th: Spring Fair
- June 16 & 17th: Sports Days (intermediates on the 16th and primaries on the 17th); more info coming to parents in next few weeks.
- Leaving Ceremony – June 24th – info coming soon to parents.
- End of year activities, picnics etc.. being planned.

b/ Parent question: Is there a policy on welcoming to having parents on school grounds? Do we know where we are at with that with regards to updated COVID policies?

- Back to normal – can drop into school but must sign into the office (including being on the grounds outside); during school hours parents are discouraged from hanging around the school yard

ii. Vice Principal – Andrew Coelho

a/ School Streets is up and running!

- May 9 – June 3; in partnership with Active School Travel grant; year long process - polled all 25 divisions – how were they getting to school? Also looked at traffic data; a second round mid-prgoram, then at the end.
- Volunteers needed! Complimentary drink and pastry from Laughing Bean for volunteers.
- AST grant – used a portion to bring in iRide program – all grade 4/5 students welcome to do this this week; learn to ride is run through Cycling BC;
- HUB: running a program for the grade 6&7's

b/ Sports teams wrapped up: basketball

- all 3 teams have completed their seasons; 60 students involved; many parents able to come watch.
- Senior girls – Vital and Mme Lisa; Junior boys: Mr. Archer & parent volunteer; Senior boys: Mr. Campese and Andrew – Thanks to the coaches!

c/ Track & field starting now – Monday and Wednesday morning practices; mini meets happening each week; can still sign up. Mme Natacha, Marilyn, and Ms Mah running this.

d/ Choir: Mme Lisa, Mme Ann, Mr.DeLong running this – Thursdays in the school gym (any grade welcome).

e/ Bollywood dance unit – May 30 to June 3; thank you to the PAC for funding!

b. PAC Exec – (7.20 – 7.45)

i. Reports / updates

a/ Spring Fair: Thursday, June 9th 3-6pm

- Callouts: need volunteers!
- Important fundraiser for PAC operating budget
- Tickets on sale week of June 6th before and after school, and at the fair
- sign up for PAC emails through the PAC website for spring fair updates – www.hastingspac.ca – 'Get the PAC Enewsletter'

b/ Treasurers report

- Operating budget: Speaker series: budgeted \$2000 – actually spent \$3350 – proposing to move from STEM to speaker series \$1350 as haven't spent from STEM bucket to date.
 - o *Motion to approve moving \$1350 from STEM line item to Speaker Series* MSC
- Current status of the PAC accounts - Operating: \$8900; Gaming \$10,000
- Gaming budget: propose to move \$110 from Guest Speakers for Kids/Presentations to Earthquake Kits
 - o *Motion to approve moving \$110 from Guest speakers for kids / presentation line item to Earthquake kits* MSC
- Money recently spent from Operating: Chanelle Tye speaker series; from Gaming: grade 7 camp - \$6000; many field trips requested by teachers
- Donations: anonymous donation of \$500 for Online safety.

c/ School Streets update – volunteers needed! Go to <https://volunteersignup.org/TAQ39> to sign up for a 45 minute shift.

d/ HARC update: Next meeting – Tuesday May 24th at 6:30pm on Zoom. Link to be sent through PAC mailing list and posted on PAC website.

e/ Speaker series: *please note: dates have shifted and rescheduled to the below due to scheduling conflict with presenter:

- May 17th – Self-regulation speaker Trent Doiron – part 1

- June 1st – Self-regulation speaker Trent Doiron – part 2
- June 15th – Self-regulation speaker Trent Doiron – part 3

f/ Community Garden update: if you are interested in helping, including summer watering, please email info@hastingspca.ca and we will connect you with organizers

g/ New Indigenous Bursary sub-committee - \$1145 total raised to date; if interested in being part of this initiative, email info@hastingspca.ca

4. New Business (7.45 – 8.00)

a/ Parent question: any plans for Saleema Noon? Vital says: there are curriculum requirements for sexual health; if Saleema Noon or similar educator is brought in to present to students, must be used as a compliment to what the teachers are already covering; potential to bring in as a Parent education speaker in the fall.

b/ Parent comment: Twin Day; concerned that it is leaving people out; some students wanted to miss school to avoid; theme days can have the potential to exclude; Vital and Andrew encouraging staff to look through a different lens when planning these themed days; know more about this now, so always room to do better.

Adjourn 8pm

Next meeting: TBC June 2022

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