

Steffie Woima School Council

MEETING MINUTES

Steffie Woima School Staff room

January 21, 2025 @ 6:30 pm

Members must be present to vote. Proxies are not permitted.

*indicates items for which a written document/report will be attached/provided

- 1.0 Open and Introduce Land Acknowledgement. 5 mins**
- 2.0 Call to Order @ 6:32 2 mins**
Introduction of Guests and Executive Members
Members in attendance: Abby S, Janine W, Kayla W, Meg W, Angela G, Dawn N, Andrea
- 3.0 Review of Agenda (motion to accept) Motion: Kayla Accept: Kate 3 mins**
- 4.0 Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting (motion to accept) 3 mins**
Motion: Kayla, Accept: Kate
- 5.0 Reports**
- 5.1 Financial 5 mins**
- 5.1.1 Financial Statements (motion to accept)**
Andrea to accept
- 5.1.2 Current account balances: \$234.85**
- 5.2 Committees 10 mins**
- 5.2.1 Fundraising Committee**
- **Kate Martin with Brief Update**
 - **Slime was a poor fundraiser, need to make decisions on upcoming fundraisers.**
- 5.2.2 Hot Lunch Program**
- **School Adviser**
 - **Going great, Very Smooth.**
- 5.2.3 Breakfast Club**
- **Trish Hammond**
 - **Huge success with the pancake breakfast.**
- 5.2.4 Marathon Committee**
New ideas for alternate marathon, committee is forming with Kate, Meg, Janine, Andrea and hopefully Trish.
- 6.0 Standing Business 20 mins**
- 5.1 Principal's Report: Mrs Eadie Gyori & Mrs. Normoyle**

Student success program founded by Steffie staff in 2012 in response to growing number of students with complex needs having big emotions in the public space, where staff and students were placed in conflict. They realized that there was limited social/emotional regulation skills with these students.

Staff decided to make changes and with learning skills from multiple resources including reading material from Ross Greene, and presentations with Jody Carrington and Gordon Neufeld. From there, the staff shifted practices, including:

- **no punishments, instead sought to understand the behavior.**
- **staff learned how to handle things w/o punishment by using direct teachings to correct the behaviors.**
- **Mistakes= opportunities to learn**
- **Behavior is communicative**
 - **why is this happening**
 - **what is not working**
- **Making plans to help address deficits**
- **Help grow brains by acknowledging mistakes, accepting responsibility, understand why, find ways to fix the mistakes and a make a plan for the future.**

7.0 New Business

10 mins

7.1 One Book Whole School Update -

- **Vanessa paid with school CC \$2165.63**
- **Meg looking into returning books, the context is too mature for our grades.**

7.2 Photographer Presentation - Fox Run Tuesday Feb 11, 2025

- **What are we looking for in a school photographer?**
 - **Lifetouch not great, class photos have been missing for 23/24**
 - **looking to find a new company**
 - **Meg to attend the presentation and bring back info.**

Additional Items added: There is an additional \$1500 is Council money for presentations; need to decide what to bring in.

8.0 Next Meeting of the Steffie Womia School council is:

February 25, 2025 @ 6:30

9.0 Adjourn: 7:56 pm

Action Items:

- 1) Chairperson: Month check in with Mrs. Eadie Gyori**
- 2) Chairperson: Update Nicky for the school newsletter.**
- 3) Vice-Chairperson -**
- 4) Secretary: Provide summary (or draft minutes) of meeting to Chairperson within one week.**