

# MINUTES

## Centreville Public School PAC

*Wednesday October 3<sup>rd</sup> 2018 at 6:15pm  
Meeting called to order by Jeff*

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### In Attendance

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Jeff	Jennifer
John	Heidi
Mary Jane	Mistene
Joanna	Jillian
Stephanie	Kay
Susan	Cathy

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### New Business

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Stephanie had questions about Wilton cheese order. Confirmed cheese orders are paid when they come in, not ahead of time.

Christmas Open House – tossing up between December 6<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> as the date. Seeing if they can book a fire truck to do a Santa drive by with lights that night. We will do raffle baskets as fundraising like at the Christmas Concert.

Based on Tell Them From Me surveys students have expressed an interest in extra curriculums like chess, coding, etc. To build on this Heidi will poll students grade 5 and up about what they would like to see made available, what kind of events they'd like to see happening, possibly get parent volunteers who are willing to run programs/events. We want to find ways to keep them involved and interested.

Milk prices have gone up from \$.75 to a \$1.00. There was an error on the form, causing some confusion. The next form will be correct with the price at a \$1.00. Question as to whether it is done to provide low cost milk to students or if it's a fundraiser. Confirmed milk is a fundraiser and it costs \$.60 per carton so the price increase is to allow more money to be made and make it worthwhile. Many families do not know it is a fundraiser so efforts will be made to make sure this information is shared via social media/the website.

John mentioned a link he Tweeted that takes parents to an online survey about the health and sex ed curriculum (as well as other curriculum) and Jeff will plan to add this link to our Facebook page.

Planning another series of assemblies this year – last year there was one on bullying and one on leadership. Last year the kids made a movie about Bullying and we may view it at the next PAC meeting. No more award ceremonies this year besides Graduation and the year-end assembly. Some disappointment over stopping them but the conclusion was that kid led assemblies are more powerful and impactful. We had an in-depth discussion about the challenges in figuring out how best to recognize all students achievements without always focusing on athletics or academics when it comes to the year-end awards, some feel it is too sports focused.

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## Fundraising Ideas and Leads

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**Wilton Cheese** – Orders are due back October 10<sup>th</sup>. We will continue to do regular cheese orders throughout the year as an ongoing fundraiser.

**Spartan Gear Order** – John provided Jeff with the order forms. Mistene offered to take over, we will plan to get order forms out over the next couple of weeks, so people can order before Christmas and receive items in early December.

**Christmas Dance** – Cathy usually does one at Easter, was thinking of switching it up and doing one at Christmas instead. Use kids from the school for DJs and to work the canteen, plan it post Open House so décor is already in place. Need volunteers to bake items and will enquire about donations from FreshCo (or another store) for 80 juice boxes for canteen. Will also need cheap give away items – maybe just candy canes for each child on the way out. **Decided on December 18<sup>th</sup> from 3:20-4:45.**

**Movie Night** – not a great money maker but always good as a community building event. Movies have to be geared to younger kids so not as appealing for everyone. **Decided to hold this in February.** Raffle off a “winter blahs” basket.

**Spring Fling Dance** – we’ll do another dance in the springtime, plan is to get all the juice boxes donated now so we have it set aside for this dance as well. **Plan for April 2019, date TBD.**

### **Other fundraising and community involvement items were discussed as follows:**

Seeds for the Spring – debate on whether that was successful, also discussed bulbs but Newburgh is also likely doing bulbs.

Pepperettes – Newburgh is currently selling pepperettes.

Gift cards – possibly not worth it if order isn’t large enough

Movie Passes – cheaper than purchasing through Costco, Newburgh may be doing this through the local Napanee theatre to keep it local vs going through Cineplex.

Restaurant fundraiser of some kind? Maybe find a local restaurant to approach that may be able to host an event.

Fundraising Baseball Tournament – an adult event made nearly \$2000 2 years ago, this might be something that could work for the older students to get involved and mix and match between the other schools. Could be volleyball, baseball, etc.

Santa Claus Parade – maybe the older students could create a float and participate in a local Santa Claus Parade (likely Tamworth as it’s a day time event).

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## Fun Fair

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Usually held the last Friday in May or the first Friday in June is typically when it is held. **May 31, 2019 was the decided date from 5:30-7:30, with raffle draws at 7:00.** Get the older kids involved by having them plan and develop games and activities that might help make it appeal more to older kids. We should put together a committee to run the fair – volunteer coordinators will look after that when we get closer to the date.

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## Parent Involvement Committee

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Next meeting is Thursday October 11, 2018 and it’s open to everybody. Childcare is provided with a light dinner at 5:30. They provide updates from the School Board. Meeting will officially begin at 6:00pm. Jeff will plan attend and report back on the various initiatives and items discussed at the meeting.

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## Principal's Report

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John didn't read the entire report (copies provided to all in attendance) but some highlights mentioned were: Raised \$870 for the Terry Fox Run. Ms. Kimmet's 3 and 4 class won the pizza party for raising the most money.

Picture Day is on October 19<sup>th</sup>.

Remembrance Day is Friday November 9<sup>th</sup>. Everyone is welcome to attend the assembly.

School Construction Update – everyone is back in their regular classrooms; all the classrooms are officially done. A few leakage issues with only a vapour barrier but that seems to be under control. Sadly, not before the photocopier got soaked. We now have Yarker's old one to use. The library and resource room are waiting on their shelves to be built, which means we have to move all the boxes in the gym out to the storage containers in order to have the gym finally usable again by the beginning of next week. Shelves should hopefully be done in about 2 to 3 weeks.

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## Treasurer's Report

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Kathy will be setting Stephanie up with banking so she can sign for items, etc. Waiting on training for both her and Jeff so they know how to do all the things. John produced a summary report – general account has \$7109.22 and the Nevada had \$2296.18. Lexia licenses were just purchased for around \$800 but we are waiting for final number as it's paid in US dollars. Insurance for PAC was obtained for \$150.

We currently don't know what kind of money is coming from the government for professional learning resources (funding to take teachers out for some days to learn new skills, implement new programming, etc.). With the government change over we currently don't know how much funding we will get and what it will be allocated for. Right now, we're just waiting to find out. We must be careful with our school budget in the meantime and possibly allocate some to professional learning. Hopefully we will know in November.

Every year each classroom is typically allocated \$250 from PAC towards supplies, field trips, etc. for the year. Teachers have been asking if that's happening or not. It would be 6 classrooms for a total of \$1500. **PAC members voted yes to provide this money.**

John asked about purchasing a pop-up canopy/tent to take along to sporting events for students as the one that the school currently has is broken. Mistene will shop around for pricing with a possible max budget of \$300 – we may be willing to pay more if we can find a higher quality one that will last.

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## Next Meeting

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**Next meeting will be on Wednesday November 14, 2018 at 6:15 pm.** Possible discussion topics could include:

EQAO, Tell Them From Me – school climate survey, Math Project, School improvement goals, discussion on possibly hosting another Math Night this year.