

Sunshine Academy Governing Board
December 18th, 2023
Minutes

Presence: Leah Lobaton, Richard Frazao, Melanie Rossy, Daniel Maag, Carla Valerio, Sheri Carlson, Barbara Galvao, Ritu Srivastava, Kristopher Pichovich, Vincent De Ruisseau, Matthew Logan

Regrets: Joey Stallone, Richard Aisenthal, Malik Shaheed, Rishi Kumar, Valerie Barbet

1. Adoption of the Agenda - *Kris motion to adopt the agenda, seconded by Leah. 6:33pm*
2. Approval of the Minutes of the Previous Meeting - *Tabled to the next meeting for November minutes. Melanie motion to approve minutes from the October Meeting.*
3. Question Period
4. Correspondence
5. Business Arising:
 - 5.1
 - 5.2
6. New Business:
 - 6.1 Land Acknowledgement - Read by Richard Frazao.
 - 6.2 Budget - *Try to recuperate debt from the previous school year. A lot of debt came from loss on school fees from families. Student enrollment this year is 263 students and the allotment given by the government is based on that number. Consumables, office supplies and teacher/art supplies, first aid courses for staff members. "Pocket of poverty" funds go to families that need help with school fees, food and clothing. In trust money can rarely be saved for the next school year so money needs to be spent by June 30th or you risk losing it. Went through the list of all the "mesure" money which is money given by the government grants for very specific uses. Capital money can go into improving the school and classrooms like painting and buying furniture and white boards. Motion to approve by Richard seconded by Kris. All in favor.*
 - 6.3 Pasta Lunches - *PPO is running a fundraiser in January offering pasta lunches from Pastamore. Selling \$5 and cost is \$3.46 three choices of sauces. Motion to approve is made by Melanie. All in favor.*
 - 6.4 Grad Felix and Norton Fundraiser - *Parents want to fundraise for the grad celebrations and trip. Buy 12 frozen cookies at \$6.50 and we sell for \$12/cookie. Students are encouraged to sell during the holidays and distributed by January. Motion to approve made by Richard and seconded by Carla. All in favor*
7. Field trips
 - 7.1

8. Reports:

8.1 Principal - *Thank the teachers, caretakers and professionals for the sacrifices they are making for the betterment of the students and their learning conditions. They are so committed and it is much appreciated.*

Open house in January. We are looking for parent Volunteers on January 18th to help run info sessions.

8.2 Teachers - *Mme. Barbara mentioned they had a great field trip today and it went very well.*

8.3 Support staff

8.4 PPO *Beavertail truck on Thursday Dec 21. Santa and parents will be dressed up. Bingo night raised \$1000 at concessions. Edu Action is hoping for better enrollment.*

8.5 Seed

8.6 Region 2 report - *Complaint process will be tabled to January*

8.7 Commissioner

9. Question Period - *Bingo night was very successful! Raised over \$5000 for holiday baskets. Huge turnout and wonderful volunteers. Jason Duke really runs it so well and organizes baskets.*

GRAME program which is an organization to better our school yard. Grant will be given to provide shade or greener spaces in the yard.

10. Date of next meeting: February 1st @ 6:30pm

11. Adjournment: Motion to approve Kris and seconded by Leah at 7:34 pm.