

Bel Ayr Home and School Association Minutes
September 30, 2015

Meeting

Meeting began at 7:05

September minutes were read by Lisa Evans. A motion to accept the minutes as read was motioned by Heather MacLean and seconded by Annunapuma Vicars.

Financial Report

The financial report was read by Andrew. The current balance was \$4293.00, accounting for the money collected for pizza and chili night as well as the disbursement of 100.00 for each of the 14 teachers/classrooms.

Old Business

Two gaga pits are being installed from left over money from the playground fund, which are hopefully going to be installed in a couple of weeks. If there was any additional money left over, having some benches was hopefully a possibility.

New Business:

Andrew applied for a grant at his work (BMO Financial) and received confirmation that they will contribute \$750.00 towards the purchase of a new water fountain. We were quoted \$2049.00 last year; however, the purchase will be put on hold and revisited at next months 'meeting as the big fridge broke and is more pressing. Years ago these fridges were provided by the milk company, however, they no longer provide fridges. They will come take it and dispose of it properly though. Michael Manuel gave us estimation that one could be purchased new through Big Eric's for around \$2300.00 + tax and would have a warranty. No quotes would be necessary if it was purchased through the Home and School. Heather MacLean motioned to purchase a new fridge for the school. Annunapuma 2nd the motion and all were in favor of this purchase.

The first pizza day of the year went well and the Subway notices will go out next week with the starting date being the first Monday after Thanksgiving. We will continue to stagger the subway and pizza notices in hopes it helps with parents budgets.

Mrs. MP would like to request \$465.64 for Bucket filler prizes for monthly assemblies. Elaine Jay made a motion to purchase the Bucket filler prizes, Andrew 2nd the motion and all were in favor of this purchase.

Mrs. Beuckx would like to request \$100.00 for craft supplies for rainy day. Leslie Manuel made a motion to provided \$100.00 to Mrs. Beucks for rainy day craft supplies, Lisa 2nd the motion and all were in favor.

Principal report

Standing desk are on order with one to be placed in each classroom from grade 2 and up. They allow students freedom of movement and they are able to have more focus. Along with improving the classrooms, Ms. Rutledge is inquiring on the possibility of installing tennis balls on the desk and chair legs to reduce classroom noise. We have to look into the proper balls that would be used where they will be cut open.

We have a new learning center teacher, Gillian Chafe and 3 new EPAs.

Fire drills and Lockdown drill have been completed for September. It was discussed with students where they would be relocated to in case of an emergency, Eric Graves and Iona Church.

Provincial assessments are taking place, grade 3 reading and writing and grade 4 and 6 literacy and math.

Meeting adjourned 8:20