



Attendance:

Kathy Barr, Julie Bomba, Kelly Crain, Elisa King, Molly Slate, Derek Snider, Ryan Snider, Vanessa Wood

Regrets: Kathy Frenette, Kelly Reade

6:31pm Approval of November 2023 minutes

All in favour / no objections

6:33pm Approval of Agenda

Derek wanted to add March meeting rescheduling and the committee voted instead to cancel the March 6 meeting.

Other items approved with no objections

6:34pm Chair Report

Today is the national day of action for violence against women commemorating the Dec 6 1989 [École Polytechnique massacre](#)

PRO Fund - Reminder that application deadline is December 10

Ideas that were floated:

- One School is doing a parent/family skate
- [Upstanders](#) - documentary by impactful
- [Loving Spoonful](#) can put on a workshop on bringing people together about healthy eating / food skills
- Family dance with DJ
- Art night
- [Brave](#) can present on counter human trafficking efforts

The consensus seemed to be a family / student skate was a good idea.

Student Rep Ryan said that students would probably enjoy it and Vanessa suggested the possibility of hiring a DJ. Derek suggested the [Porch](#) could set up outside

6:45pm Vanessa motioned that we apply for PRO funding for a family skate and all present were in favour

Molly suggested [Like](#), which is a documentary about social media's impact on our lives. She also suggested [Dr Sue Buchanan](#) who is organizing an outreach program to meet student leaders in the new year which includes 3 workshops for students

During the meeting Molly message the Bayridge principal asking the cost for licensing "Like" - they replied promptly and said the cost was \$1000. The license is good for a 24 hour period so you can screen to students during the school day and also to parents in the evening

Vanessa volunteered to fill out the paperwork to apply for Pro funding and we agreed to also apply for funding to screen "Like".



The last PIC meeting was only around two hours: Topics included:

- [food sharing project](#) was on the agenda, a petition has been created for a national food sharing program for students
- [Great start for families](#)
- [Right to read](#)
- TriBoard busing issues

We are experiencing a [nationwide lack of bus drivers](#). There are students who consistently cannot get to school. The Ottawa school board changed how bussing happened by requiring the [Ottawa Student Transportation Authority](#) to improve transparency. It was discussed that Triboard should also be more transparent

The next PIC meeting is February 8

6:52pm Student Report - Ryan Snider

- All of the schools will participate in a fundraiser for the [United Way](#)
- There is a hat, mitt, and sock drive for the food bank
- Rec is also doing a food drive
- Next major event is a semi formal on *Friday February 9* with a Valentine's theme (\$10 and student card required)
- Spirit week is the week ending Dec 22. There is a board-wide competition for PJ day where the school with the highest participation percentage school wins. A pancake breakfast will be held on December 22nd to go along with PJ day

6:56pm Principal's Report

Exciting November

- EOSSA Jr Boys volleyball won gold hosted at SHS
- EOSSA Jr Girls basketball won silver
- [Kindness week](#) - homeform classes had to come up with a poster for kindness week. Also sold smile cookies.
- [Live Different](#) - A special assembly for grade 11s and 12s presented by a group that travels around Canada. The presentation was about the [power of possibility](#)
- Chainsaw certification course for SHSM Pathway happened at ESS
- Syd's cafe was well attended - the drama room was packed
- Indigenous knowledge keepers in the school [Danka Brewer](#)
- Exams are coming soon and the schedule is posted - Important to note that if there is a snow day, each day of exams gets bumped
- Still staffing for semester 2 - some teachers may shuffle
- Remained steady in enrolment
- Auditions have happened for "Charlie Brown"

7:01pm Vanessa asked why there are so many new security cameras installed. Molly there was a planned project to upgrade the security infrastructure before she started this year.

Windows are scheduled to be replaced in Entrance C some time in 2024



Kelly Crain asked whether students milling about the Anglican church is still a problem. Molly reported that the church said they were going to have to start charging students with trespassing. The church also posted signs and installed cameras. Molly said that they gave one warning in September and haven't had a reported problem since.

7:07pm **Treasurer's Report**

Molly reports that we have \$2016.00 in our account

Ryan suggested the "Like" screening for students should happen during an assembly period where there is reduced class time to accommodate the screening.

Vanessa asked when we thought skating should happen and Derek suggested after semester 1 exams are finished.

Ryan pointed out that Elementary schools require helmets when skating, so Vanessa said she will look into whether helmets are required by LDSB for an event like this.

Derek asked about a Christmas concert and Molly said it is scheduled for December 14.

7:16pm meeting adjourned

Next meeting will be Wednesday January 10 at 6:30pm in the Library.