

## SAA PPO Meeting

February 7<sup>th</sup> 2017. 6:30pm CLC Room @ SAA

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# MINUTES

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Present: Jo Morrissey, Renée Beauséjour, Sandra Morselli, Anne-Marie Moran, Vivianne Cliche, Chantal Paquin, Samantha Rodgers, Tania Colletet, Marie-Eve Nantel, Brian Senecal

Apologies: Dania Daneau, Sara Brunet

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**Approval of agenda:** Agenda was approved.

**Approval of minutes:** January minutes were approved.

**Wine Raffle:** Approx 40 bottles were donated. Sandra made announcements and Fiamma went round to every HS class to encourage students to sell tickets, but involvement seems to be lower than last year. Lesson learned: may have to switch fundraisers year on year to generate more participation? Draw will take place Feb 14<sup>th</sup>, Anne-Marie will preside.

**Community Yard Sale:** **Chantal** is waiting for confirmation on whether we can hold a yard sale in Walmart's lot. Meanwhile, they have offered us a Bagging session over Easter Weekend! **ALL** discuss next time.

**Book Fair Volunteers:** Good response from parents. All shifts have at least one volunteer, some have two. Encouraging to have such a positive reaction.

**Sapins de Noel:** Trees will be approx. \$40-\$45 and must be ordered in advance. A few extras will be delivered. Worked well at another school as part of a Holiday Bazaar. A few members felt the price was too high for our community – **Vivianne** will see if any negotiation is possible and if there's any official paperwork we can review.

**Spaghetti Dinner/Outdoor Foamfest Party:** Team likes the idea of doing something on a Friday in late May/early June. If we need to use the kitchen, we must consult on the date & needs with Joe Morselli. **Jo & Marie-Eve** will discuss and present an outline next time.

### **Requests for Funding:**

Foam balls for recess in the gym: team agreed it's a good idea, **Jo** will get costs and present for approval.

Help with transport costs for a Tubing Outing for Elementary School: costs are to follow and will be communicated.

### **Any Other Business:**

**BMO Make a Wish:** We need to encourage everyone in our community to "make a wish" online – it's an easy process and the more wishes we log, the greater the chance of getting one granted. **Melanie** will forward to **Chantal** to post on facebook asap. <https://www.bmo200.com/>

**Communications with Parents:** Jo asked for ideas for increasing dialogue/feedback from parents. A survey at the start of the school year was recommended. **Jo** will draft and present before the end of the year. More activities (not fundraisers) would be good to increase involvement: Day at Mont-

Tremblant (**Melanie/Marie-Eve** for info), Family Snow-shoe day (**Anne-Marie** for info), Snow-Skate Activity Day at SAA (**Marie-Eve** for info). Please email any info to all, **ALL** discuss next time.

**New ways of Fundraising:** A parent forwarded the Veysey's Bulbs catalogue suggesting it's a good fundraiser (green, helping bees, butterflies, teaching kids to grow, etc.). Some members know it, and confirm it's a great product – it has been used at SAA in the past. **Jo** will forward the content for members to review and comment on whether we try it this spring. Need a Project Leader.

**Journee Familiale sur Neige Optimiste: Chantal** presented this opportunity targeted at students under 12. On Feb 25th students and their families can ski at Belle Neige (?) for very low rates. Info will be posted on facebook as well as sent home with students.

**Fitspirit:** Chantal told us of an initiative to get high school girls more involved in physical activity. Fitness activities will be held twice a week at lunch with a goal of completing a 5k run/walk at a big event/celebration at Parc Jean-Drapeau in the summer.

**David O. Johnston, Quebec representative, Office of the Commissioner of Official Languages** will be visiting SAA in April to find out about the needs of English-speaking communities in the Laurentians. Details to be confirmed, but parents reps will be encouraged to participate. **Chantal** to advise as plans develop.

**Daycare survey** results are in: Before school = 9 always, 4 sometimes. After school = 11 always, 6 sometimes. PED days = 18 occasionally, 6 most PED days, 4 every PED day. Governing Board will be conducting a feasibility study with input from the School Board.

End of PPO meeting, 7:00 p.m.

**Next PPO meeting – March 14<sup>th</sup> 2017 @ 6pm in CLC Room at SAA.**

<b>September</b> n/a	<b>October</b> KidCon	<b>November</b> Holiday Cards  Used Uniforms at Parent Teacher night: <b>Nov 16th</b>	<b>December</b> Bagging Canadian Tire Ste Agathe: <b>Dec 10<sup>th</sup></b> Bagging Super C Mt- Tremblant: TBC
<b>January</b> Can/Bottle Drive	<b>February</b> Wine Baskets	<b>March</b> Children's art auction??	<b>April</b> Vesey's Bulbs Catalogue??
<b>May</b> Spaghetti Supper/Outdoor Party?? <b>New: TEACHER APPRECIATION DAY??</b>	<b>June</b> Brainstorm fundraising & activities for Sept		