

Willingdon Home and School Meeting

Date: Thursday November 27, 2025

Time: 7:30pm

Zoom Meeting Link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84525167966?pwd=lec9JyFLkA9pA602JMCaFAKJBGbbBq.1>

Attendees: Adam, Alex, Veronika G. Kristin, Krity, Nicholas, Daniela

Absent: Veroniz

1. Welcome (K or D)
 2. Approval of Agenda - Approved by Alex and seconded by Nicolas
 3. Principal's Report (5 mins) - absent
 4. Membership report - (Daniela - 2 mins) - nothing to report.
 5. Communications (Kristy 5 mins)
 - a. Last few emails not with Mailchimp. Got Google Workspace for free because of non-profit status. 2000 free emails daily. Have to do it 500 at a time. Importing from Canva and sending out email. Addresses problem that we had where all our newsletter were going to recipients' spam/promotion folder.
 - b. Stats for Google Workspace require Google Analytics to be set up again which will be done the week of December 1. So far only seeing bounces. Kristy cleaned those email addresses from the contact list. Important to monitor the bouncebacks so that our emails don't get flagged as spam.
 - i. Already saw an uptick in volunteer signups with the email instead of newsletter.
 6. Website report (Alex 5 mins)
 - a. All documents added to website - constitution, NDA, by-laws and police check
 - b. Traffic to website is very regular post newsletter.
 7. Treasurer's report (Adam - 5 mins)
 8. Family Emergency Fund Report (Kristin 5 mins)
- Nicolas on minibistro, Kristin focusing on Holiday gifts, ordered some books. Will pause the offer to cover the fees afterschool activities until we have Holiday Market activities in light of treasurer report. Looking for winter clothing source.
- a. FSF Application Final numbers - one left. 12 kids.
 - b. *Monthly sponsorship options on Zeffy which would help us forecast meals for the year for Mini Bistro*
 - c. Additional Snack Program - Reached out to suppliers of Base program (via phone and email), they didn't get back to me. Can-Am - 514-488-1148 where I get all my fresh fruits and veggies. Dubord & Rainville - Dry good. Will reach out again. In the mean time should I just do a Costco run?
 - i. Connect with Rosie to see what she needs from January-June and then discuss at the next meeting.

9. Business Arising

- a. Holiday Market - in two days. Everything going smoothly.
- b. Pizza day and Froyo
 - i. A few hiccups with Pizza Pizza and is being resolved. Still working on getting the timing right for deliveries. List by classroom works well.
 - ii. Froyo was being stolen so Kristy installed a lock on the standalone freezer. Great team this year, structured dates for purchases, scooping, etc.
- c. Book Fair - Quick recap (was sent via email -Back of the napkin math - \$2,808.30 in \$702 in expenses (purchases and reimbursement of the float) **\$2,106.30 for FSF!)**
 - i. Bases, CCW, and teachers shopped. Great feedback overall.
 - ii. Another one scheduled for spring.
 - iii. Steel cabinets moved to Draper cafeteria and will be used to store leftover books. Stock that wasn't selling after a few book fairs went to free libraries.
 - iv. Posters would help lead up to the book fair. Forgot this year.
- d. Carolyn's Toy drive. - Socials to start after holiday market
 - i. Carolyn reached out to us asking for standalone email and socials. We replied that socials will go out after the holiday market and it will be the top feature on the next newsletter. Toy Drive posters are up at Junior and at Senior.
- e. Open House
 - i. Home and School table. Volunteers are required. A call out will go out for parents to follow the groups in the two windows.
- f. Kindergarten Breakfast
 - i. Planning is coming along. Books for gifts, ordered today. The plan is to do a craft and have a parent lead a musical moment, Jessica or Silvana will read in the mini gym.
 - ii. Food wise - kids not generally hungry so will tailor the menu differently this year.
 - iii. Home baked goods not approved by admin. H&S would like to revisit this with admin for future events.
- g. Teacher and Staff Appreciation Week
 - i. Some budget was used at Parent-Teacher Interview
 - ii. Lead coordinator required - Daniela will check with Margo is she wants to lead. Kristy will add in the newsletter next week as well.
- h. Film Festival Update
 - i. Working with Anya to get access
 - ii. Youtube channel to show previous films. Want to get something out before Christmas. Veronika will have a poster to give Kristy by December 12. Since it is a month earlier this year it will be important to announce this month. Kristy aligned.

10. Grad Committee

- a. Raised \$1900 at the bake sale.
- b. Hoodie try-on was today.

11. Votes & Budget approval:

12. Varia

- a. Getting requests for beautification from the admin. Will need to revisit a budget for this in the new year.

Motion to adjourn from Kristy.

Adjournment - Next Home & School meeting January 15th