

Hammonds Plains Consolidated School PTA Minutes

via Zoom

January 14, 2025

Attendance:

- Lynn Corkum (Principal)
- Andrea Marsman (Vice Principal)
- Kari McGinley
- Michelle Croxen (President)
- Sharon Higgins
- Lisa Oakie (Teacher)
- Carolyn Milne
- Leanne Nowakowski (Past President)
- Orr Frohlich (SAC)
- Carmen Bartlett (Secretary)
- Jill Crowe
- Anna Barkhouse (Teacher)
- Sabet Mahkoul (Treasurer)
- Megan Hunter
- Lisa Walker

Regrets: Tanya Killam (SAC)

Welcome/Call to Order: 6:32 pm by Michelle Croxen

1. Approval of January Agenda:

Approved by: Carolyn Milne

Second by: Lisa Oakie

2. Approval of September Minutes:

Approved by: Michelle Croxen

Second by: Anna Barkhouse

3. Administration Report – Lynn

- Roof project is ongoing. Completion date extended to the end of January.
- Term one successful ending. Report cards went home and we had parent teacher meetings.
- Holiday fun in December included Santa Social and concerts. Each

child was able to see and participate in a concert. Silver collection during concert raised \$1200. This helps cover the expense of sound and light equipment, which is between \$1700-1800 each year. The children participated in spirit week and had fun each day.

- Book fair was first since COVID. It was well attended and well supported. Students enjoying new books and resources.
- Grade 5 leaders organized sock drive. Preprimaries and grade 5 won pizza party for their contributions.
- School lunches update - between 300-400 orders each day. Admin order 10 orders extra meals each day so no child is hungry or without lunch. Selection may change of meals based on interest.
- Literacy week coming up end of January. Committee organizing fun events for the week. Theme is Learn to Be Green Together.
- Writers of school library guests joining primary-2 in January and 3-5 later.
- Mme Oliver planned presentation for primary-2 with Clean Foundation.
- Diversity committee using seven sacred teaching - respect
- Upcoming field trips for some students like 1-2 Parsons heading to Discovery Centre.

4. SAC Report - Orr

- Budget and dedication of funds to school aligned \$4500 For music, seating, headphones
- Kids and technology meeting coming up

5. Treasurer Report - Sabet

- Financials provided on screen
- \$1568 name tags
- \$4279 Santa social
- \$731 front row raffle
- Each social event outdone its forecasted amount.

6. Fundraiser Update

- 219 name tags went home to those who ordered
- Santa social feedback included games and crafts were a success. We had fewer bake sale items but continued to do well. The one session worked well. Tim Hortons next year order 2 hot chocolate and 1 coffee. Thank you to our elf Anna Barkhouse.
- Valentines dance planning by Carolyn. We will ask Mr Dykeman to DJ for us. Rent lights for the gym. Cafeteria will be a space that is quieter with tattoos and activities. Info sheet going home to parents February 3 to sign up for event on February 13. Michelle and Sharon will pop the popcorn. Carolyn will pick up oil and kernels from Big Eric's in

Dartmouth. Lisa will try for 6 teacher volunteers to help out and post a sign up sheet in staff room.

- Microgardens update from Kari - no dates yet. Minimum order numbers. More information to follow.

- Rick Burns new MLA. Michelle reached out to build relationship. He will be in touch once he sets up his office and figures out a budget. Former MLA Ben Jessome gave \$1000. Admin to follow up on funds to see if received.

Adjournment: 6:58 pm by Michelle Croxen

Next meeting: February 11, 2025 via Zoom