



Meeting Minutes

(TSES) Tuscan School Enhancement Society Meeting

October 11 2018 at 6:30pm

Tuscan School, 990 Tuscan Drive NW

Call to Order:

6:32pm

Welcome:

Approval of Meeting Agenda:

Motioned by Deanna, seconded by Kelsey

Approval of Sept 13, 2018 AGM Minutes:

Motioned by Vicky, seconded by Roxanne

Introductions and TSES Purpose of Society:

President - Michelle Piper Berman

Budget Items Review & Approval:

Deanna's Report

- cheques issued for \$4000

- \$6,744.22 for the sign

- \$48,232.18 remaining

General acct has \$7,238.50

Ordered tables and stools which will come out of General Enhancements – actual amount TBD on delivery - No invoice for standing desks and stools as we have an estimate and it is within the approved cost.

One-time donations amount to \$2060 - Deanna will break those down and what they are designated too

New Business:

No new business to report

Next Meeting:

Thursday, November 8, 2018 @ 6:30pm

Adjournment:

6:35 pm

In Attendance:

Shan R, Heila K, Marty K, Sam B, Morgan K, Shaun H, Kelsey S, Deanna H, Roxanne W, Allison C, Chelsea B, Chandra S, Michelle Z, Michelle PB, Cindy W, Grant J, Colleen G and Keri G, Rahul K, Keri G, Vicky A, Jennifer D



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Tuscany School Council Meeting
October 11, 2018 at 7:00 pm
Tuscany School, 990 Tuscany Drive NW

Call to Order:

6:35 pm

Welcome:

Approval of Meeting Agenda:

Motioned by Chandra, seconded by Deanna

Approval of June 14, 2018 AGM Minutes:

Motioned by Vicky, seconded by Deanna

Introductions and Purpose of School Council:

Chair - Michelle Piper Berman

Committee Updates:

Treasurer

Heila – nothing new this month, no influx of cash

Fundraising

Kelsey - Action pack sales are down – will try our best to sell what we have. We can return any unsold books. Sold 31 this year and 109 last year. More advertising last year compared to this year. Before we give up lets try and sell some more. Post on Facebook, maybe have the school send something out. No time limit for returning them. Can extend over time. Lets sell them at the dance too.

Open up to the kids, prize to the kid who sells the most in each grade. It is a Profit of \$15 per book. Prize is a new spirit wear shirt. Maybe winner from ach grade gets a new shirt.

If we extend the time line we might get more interest. We should set a goal, incentive that matches the goal. Stocking stuffer idea. Make a list of what is included in it. Might be easier.

Set up to sell at the conferences on Dec 5/6

Halloween Boogie - set up a table

Fun Lunch

Vicky - No updates - First one is Oct 25 and all volunteer spots are filled.
Treat. Day Nov 8 – Popcorn

Fun Snack

Chelsea & Carley - Few kindergartens short, they followed up with the individual families, no EDC forms have been passed in to date.

Kiss 'n Drop Shannon - Overall confident in the process. She will do Monday's and Fridays. Michelle to resend and post on the website.

Bought 2 shovels for shovelling and they are in the shed for volunteer use.

Video was great at the conferences. Encouraging parents to not park in the no parking zone. Signs have been made that says No Parking Anytime. Shannon will pick up at the end of the day.

Connect with Bylaw for patrol.

Parents parking in the teacher's parking lot has been an issue.

Special Events Marty - Parent Night - November 1, will use Showpass to buy tickets. Nightly special for \$20, for a burger and a beer. Waiting until next week to send this out. Time will be 7 pm - 10 pm.

We will make approximately \$10 per special order. Will be a fundraiser and if it is successful, maybe we could do this once or twice a year moving forward. It would bring down the amount of stuff that kids are selling.

Halloween Dance

30 tickets sold already, still have 12 days left. Budget is based on 80 kids, same as last year. But do for a little less than last year.

Spirit Wear Shaun - 42 order forms with a couple more forms to come in. Should be over 50 order forms. That is more than this time last year.

Our rep is no longer with the company, so many changes. Going well. Order should be here early November. Let's order a couple of items for display.

CBE Liaison Allison - (Oct. 3rd CBE meeting update) - Chief Superintendent is being replaced, as he has stepped down. Expect a new person by end of 2018. ASCA - have we done our membership, has it been paid? Have we ever received an invoice for this? We have never paid a fee before, so we will look into this.

New format, where you vote on the top question to answer. Mental health awareness was the most important. It is top of mind right now. This is part of your health. Racism was an issue brought up, the CBE stand is that we embrace diversity. Big take away. Wanted to know if they would be changing report cards - move away from 1-4 reporting. They said no. Lots of changes with the curriculum. They had a session with a learning leader, explaining how the report card system works. Biggest turn out for any parent council meeting.

Mr. Zielkie - snow removal. Some schools have no snow removal. We are very lucky with his involvement

Implement an online forum for parents.

Fundraising - idea to do Go Fund Me accounts and campaigns. That has worked for them in the past for a big ticket item.

French Immersion - Open house on November 13. Last one and decision is in December.

Newsletter Item - Chandra - appreciates the timely and thorough notes to write the newsletter submission. She needs everyone's input. We need some collaboration with other parents, the council or anyone. Take the information to Chandra; send her a request. If there is something for your group that needs to be communicated, get it to Chandra and she will get it out there.

Budget Item Review and Approvals:

No items here.

Principal's Report:

The tree has been fixed and it has been staked. We think it might need to be replaced in the Spring.

We will redo the cake talk about the report card. Let's table that for next meeting.

Fees are starting to hit the Power School accounts. They will try and send notification through school messenger that there is a new fee. The noon supervision fees just came out. Half are not paid. The numbers are great.

Swimming is posted now, even though swimming is not until January. Field trips will appear there too

Cindy is doing a lot of communicating to make sure that everyone is checking their school fees.

You can take advantage of the drop-in fee for inclement weather.

Peanut letter will be coming out on the 22nd of October. Doing it as a special awareness due to Halloween candy. More of the non-peanut free candy comes into the school. Increase traffic of this type of candy.

Sent out the blood drive on behalf of Pandas. Will support the awareness. We want to help get the word out and get people talking about it. Continue to support our children in educating.

Dress up day is the 31st of October.

Tuscany School will be used for the Olympic vote in November. Share your thoughts around the Olympics. Eric Harvie is also a chosen location for this too.

New Business:

Jacket Racket - three bins are already placed in the front of the school. Will pick up once a week. Grade 3's will participate – Rashmi Baldwin has offered to help with this.

Policies and Procedures - Policies are a year old. We only did the school council policies. Enhancement Society is still the same. Changed from bylaws to policies. Recommended at ASCA.

1. Decision-making - Chair cannot make a motion or vote.
2. Positions - reporting structure is needed. Change it to a 2-year term, rather than a one-year term. Something to look at. Reason it was changed to 1 year, was that 2 years might be intimidating to other people. Encourage people to come out and to encourage healthy voting.

Provide any feedback to Michelle. Everyone to take some time to review the policies and send any feedback.

Put in that we share our passwords with the principal. Ownership of the files, and how things are handled to ensure a smooth transition documents and files.

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