



Minutes

Tuscany School Enhancement Society Meeting (TSES)

March 18, 2021 at 6:30pm

- Via Zoom -

Call to Order & Welcome

Meeting called to order at 6:32pm.

Approval of Meeting Agenda

Motioned by Vicky, seconded by Sasha.

Approval of February 18, 2021 Minutes

Motioned by Vicky, seconded by Maureen.

Updates

Budget:

The General account currently has **\$7,367.67**.

Here is the breakdown of the account we have:

\$2,951.44 remaining in this year's One time Donations.

\$249.58 carry over from special events Halloween dance last year.

\$2180.03 Company Donations.

\$200.00 parent night raffle.

\$1784.33 carry over from a previous GIC.

GENERAL ACCOUNT			
TSES ONE TIME DONATIONS			
Donation Designation	Allotted Amount 2020-21	Actual Amount Spent 2020-21	Funds Remaining
Home Reading	\$	\$0.00	\$
Technology	\$350.00	-\$350.00	\$
Arts	\$		\$
General Enhancements	\$50.00		\$50.00
Any of the above	\$5650.52	-\$2,749.08	\$2901.44
Total Amount	\$6050.52	-\$3,099.08	\$2951.44

The Casino account is at **\$54,392.69**. We received our completed review of our most recent audit from AGLC.

Casino Account Budget 2020-21			
Description Of item	Budget	Actual Expenses	Remaining
2020-2021 Budget Items			
Artist in Residency	-\$6,000.00		
Visual Journals	-\$2,400.00	-\$2,336.80	
Words, Words, Words	-\$500.00	-\$427.99	
Gardening Supplies	-\$250.00		
Allotted Amount to hold in acct	-\$5,000.00	-\$5,000.00	
Insurance for 2019-2020	-\$840.00	-\$840.00	
Document Cameras (Equipment)	-\$3,000.00	-\$2,270.76	
Chrome Books	-\$6,100.00	-\$5,825.13	
PE Equipment	-\$586.38	-\$586.38	
Sound Creations	-\$5,906.25		
TU4HL (\$500 from previous year and \$500.00 this year)	-\$1,000.00	-\$320.50	-\$679.50
Total wish list	-\$31,582.63	-\$17,607.56	
Starting Account Balance	\$66,978.86	66,978.86	
Total of Wishlist Items	-\$31,582.63	-\$17,607.56	
Estimated Balance for 2021-2022 school year	\$35,396.23	\$49,371.30	(Including \$5000.00 hold back)
Alien in Line	-\$5,500.00	-\$5,283.20	

New Business

Succession for 2021-22:

President
Secretary
Treasurer

Next Meeting Date

Thursday, April 8, 2021 at 6:30pm.

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 6:35pm.



Minutes

Tuscany School Council Meeting

March 18, 2021 at 7:00pm

- Via Zoom -

Call to Order & Welcome

Meeting called to order at 6:35pm.

Approval of Meeting Agenda

Motioned by Maureen, seconded by Sasha.

Approval of February 18, 2021 Minutes

Motioned by Maureen, seconded by Emma.

Committee Updates

Naturalization: Met with Cindy and Andrea to make a wish list. Contemplating replacing two trees that were wrecked from teenagers. Looking at improvements around the outdoor classroom. Also looking at some indigenous plants in the planter boxes near parking lot. Long term approach, we would like to get more trees regarding Arbour Day. See if we can get more around that. Look at phases where maybe as the grade 4's and 5's leave the school, they can plant a legacy tree. Discussed more about security regarding the playground and the naturalization we have completed. Trying to look at ways to discourage teenagers from using it as a hangout zone that ends in destruction.

Question: could we put more lights at the back of the school to discourage them being able to hide in the back. We have had neighbors complain it was too bright at the back of the school. We will need to go to CBE and make it neighbour engagement. Brad in facilities would let us know what we could be able to do. Ground lights? What about Motion sensor lights? They are the first to vandalized unfortunately. Let us check and see what Brad has to say about it and he would be more informed on what he would recommend.

Fake Cameras? We do not want to put the school at risk as it is a liability. People would assume we are offering that protection, then if we don't have it and there is an accident or a crime it would put us at risk to be sued. Call the non-emergency line to report it and hopefully it will discourage them from congregating at the school.

If we plant more trees will kids be able to hide more? Neighbors would love more trees.

Changing the igloo so the teenagers do not hide there? We do not want to take away something that the kids truly enjoy playing there.

Tuscany Youth Council will at the school tomorrow Friday, March 19th to help clean up the school playgrounds and fields.

Treasurer: Amit - We have \$16,000.00 in the account

Fundraising: Michelle will collect Read-a-thon forms tomorrow from the school and will pick up one more time on Monday. We will log all the minutes and money and give an update at next meeting.

Fun Lunch/Teacher Appreciation: Vicky - We dropped off some chocolates, and Keurig cups in February. In March I was able to get macaroons from Sobeys who was super generous and gave us 20% off, that is all for teacher appreciation. This Treat Day, we have Kernels popcorn coming in. We will hold on to the treat for the class that is in isolation and out of the school for right now. They are sealed and do not expire, so they will be good for when the kids are back.

Kindergarten fun snack: Karen - We got lots of forms in. They will be receiving Kernels popcorn next week with the rest of the kids.

Note: Cindy we may need to send a reminder that we do have school next Friday. I have been hearing confusion from parents on the school grounds.

Principal's Report:

I know they have closed the feedback regarding the high schools, but the newest survey out is for next year school year regarding people wanting to continue to online learning. There will no longer be HUB in the fall, but there will be CBE learn grades 1-12. It is an established program that has been running for 20 years. If you do CBE learn you are not attached to the school, it is an actual home school program. This is a very important survey to help be able to plan for the following year. We want your voice to be represented.

Emma: There is only one question on the survey, it is "Will you be online or in person or haven't decided?" Okay, it will be an easy survey for all parents to fill out. It will help with planning for next year.

This is not the same as HUB this is a home school, based program. There will not be languages being offered through CBE learn. Regarding Special education, most of those kids attended school in person this year. This is significant, as home learning can be a very different experience for kids with special needs.

I know we started a multi-aging conversation back in June. After speaking with everyone at last month's meeting we found we need to talk to the teachers. We want to create a video from the teachers regarding multi-aging. We will have the video ready for everyone after spring break.

Pillar survey for grade 4's and 5's. It is now called Alberta Education Assurance Survey and will be done in April. Those surveys will be sent home to all parents. We would love 100% participation from our parents. "I don't know" would count as a red flag about the school.

Question Vicky: I found the survey was very wordy and that there were some questions that didn't really make sense. I am in the school regularly, so imagine it would be hard for some parents who don't get in very often and see how things work.

Next week is a full week of school we do not have a PD day on the Friday. Our Conferences are normally with our spring break, and we had to move it. TMC was able to have the PD day but we need the instruction time for the kids.

Mention of morning soft entry, we have a 5 minute early entry so that we could start teaching right at bell times.

New Business

Succession for 2021-22 School Year:

- Chair
- Vice-Chair
- Secretary
- Communications
- Fun Lunch * Interest Shown
- Fun Snack (One-year term)
- Teacher Appreciation * Interest Shown
- Grade 4 & 5 FI Farewell (One-year terms)
- Special Events

Sock Day: Crazy sock day on March 22nd. It should be in all class blogs and we will place on Facebook under the council profile.

Madam Matilda: Her blog is not currently working so Cindy will send out an email.

Maureen Adams: Instead of tie dying socks next year, could we do fabric markers instead? We will take down any suggestions for ideas for next year.

Question: How can we advertise the council positions to the new parents? We have added the positions to the website for people to see what is available. I think we need to advertise on Facebook as well.

Marty: What about a video on what your position is about?

Next Meeting Date

Thursday, April 8, 2021 at 7:00pm.

Adjournment:

Meeting is adjourned at 7:28pm.

Attendance: Michelle Piper Berman, Deanna Haugen, Vicky Arthur, Emma Climie, Cindy White, Jennifer Doiron, Karen T, Karisa Derdall, Morgan Keith, Keri Glowacki, Laura Devitt, Marty Korba, Maureen Adams, Melanie Graham, Sasha, Shaun Hohman, Susie Smith, Adrienne, Amit Saduera, Chelsea Baxter, Colleen Gainer, Judith Mendelsohn, Barbie Weppler, Carrie O'Connor, Chelsea Broos.