**SJA School Council Meeting - Tuesday, February 19, 2019**

The meeting was called to order by Nubia Cabezas at 7:02pm.

**PRINCIPAL’S REPORT – Mr. McGarrity** opened the meeting with a prayer and provided the principal’s report.

**Spirit/ Kindness Week-** celebrating winter and kindness culminating in an assembly/liturgy on Friday. Winter Activity Day on Thursday partnering with STP students as rec leaders.

**Mural**- Ms Pharoah and Ms Maguire lead the organization and management of the grade 1-6 project. It is now mounted in the learning commons foyer.

**Luncheon**- greatly appreciated by all staff. The generosity and expression of appreciation were extraordinary.

**Whole Kids Foundation** awarded the school a grant to continue to upgrade and expand our vegetable garden. $2000.00 was granted. Thanks to Ms Brawley who lead this initiative and whose great work lead to this award.

The **OCSB** has allocated us additional funds to continue to upgrade our classroom environments and furniture as well as to add to the sports equipment. We will be targeting the remaining classrooms that require flexible furniture and resources.

Our past **PD Day** was spent focused on professional learning opportunities to explore: the integration of Hapara Workspace in daily practice; new pedagogies on deep learning; the use of math models in number sense and numeration; and differentiated learning and assessment for students with learning disabilities. We also explored a Math Up School module on decomposition and had time for grade team meetings.

**Lenten Social Justice project**- Canned Food Drive with the Knights of Columbus and OK Clean Water Project

**CHAIR’S REPORT - Paula Wilson**

No report

**TREASURER’S REPORT**

$15,200 in the bank of which $7,000 are for the play structure. There are some outstanding cheques which leaves us with around $3,500 to spend

**SPRING FUNDRAISER - Hana Elomrani & Janice Rupert**

*Primary fundraising objective – Play Structure*

Discussion postponed to next meeting Janice and Hana were not present

**SPRING DANCE – Robin** **Kearns**

Discussion postponed to next meeting

**TEACHER APPRECIATION DAY– Michelle Boniface**

The event was a success, many parents participated and teachers and staff really appreciated it. We think it should be an annual event. Michelle will create summary form to help with next year’s event

**TEACHER RECOGITION GIFTS** **– Michelle Boniface** to co-ordinate.

Gift cards will be provided as follows: $100 for full time teachers/$50 for part-time teachers and EAs. (Previously motioned and approved by council.). Funding were confirmed with Gordon. We got the list of teachers and EAs from Mr. McGarrity to proceed and buy the gift cards.

Meeting adjourned 8:05pm

*Minutes prepared by Nubia Cabezas*

Attendance:

Joanne Cheng

Dana Rose

Michelle Boniface

Gordon Fitzpatrick

Nubia Cabezas