

**Meeting Minutes, Thursday, February 9th at 9am**

Laura Witkowski welcomed everyone and thanked them for coming.

**Approval of the January Minutes - Laura**

Laura requested someone approve the January minutes from the last council meeting. Jen Dobson made the motion to approve and Meghan Lockington-Minns seconded the motion.

**Budget Update - Ryan (Laura)**

- Dance-a-thon was not on the budget but the goal is \$14k. The students want to raise \$21k so they can throw a pie in Mr Nigro's face. (His idea)
- The plan is to have a portion of revenue from the dance-a-thon to cover some of the X Movement with any extra going towards Scientist in the School and technology - areas where we cut back this year to ensure there is a surplus for the 2017-2018 school year
- Teachers have until the end of March to spend their allocation per student. They have been reminded

**Skating Parting Recap – Anne/Sandra (Laura)**

Sandra and Anne made some changes which were fabulous! Some kids were upset about the lack of cupcakes but they got over it, it was all about the skating. Jill did a really great job on the music as well. Sandra and Michelle will be taking it over next year.

**Dance-A-Thon - Christine (Laura)**

- Last year we helped sponsor a Syrian Family through a local church. This year the Committee came and asked us what we could sponsor and we thought it'd be great to put it towards the X Movement and Scientist in the School.
- This year's goal is \$14k but the kids were booing they want to do more so if the kids raise \$21k they can throw a pie at Mr Nigro.
- Last year we did it in April so this year we thought February would be a great time to let loose and shake it out.
- You can donate online and send out the link from the Cody website
- Last year Professor Jamz and crew offered glow items for sale. We are going to ask Christine to have those removed from the site and not to have them available at the dance either.
- Send note to reps that purchase online – envelopes containing cheques or cash, can be locked in the office.

**Spring Fair – Laura**

- Spring Fair will be Saturday, May 27th from 9:30am to 3:30pm.
- Our theme this year is Celebrate Cody, Celebrate Canada.
- Planning has started. Hart entertainment booked, they have a bunch of new attractions this year.
- We are always looking for people to help out. Some of our dedicated parents will be leaving this year - Raj and Jill. But we do have parents coming back to help that no longer have kids at our school.
- We have a lot of the same committee members on board which is fantastic.
- Discussions about not having the Garage Sale this year. Looking like it's not something we'll do.

**Principal and Vice-Principal's Reports - Ms Vala**

Please visit the Principal's Report at [mauricecody.ca](http://mauricecody.ca) for more detailed information and initiatives not presently listed here. The following is just a sample of some of the highlights:

- Would like some feedback from our newsletters - all positive discussion, dates appreciated on first page with further details on following pages.
- Reports will be sent home Feb 14th. Teachers will notify parents if they'd like to meet with them. A reminder though to parents, they can always contact the school at a less busy time to set up an appointment.
- Enrichment welcomed Shaun Booth yesterday for the grade 4-6 classes as part of our Black History Month teachings. He is a famous HipHop artist who did a slide presentation to music he wrote. We would totally recommend him to anyone. His website is [shaunbooth.com](http://shaunbooth.com).

- We are offering a Girls Empowerment class for grades 3-4. This is being arranged through our school social worker.
- It's quite icy in the schoolyard. Jane has been salting like crazy, a big thank you to her. There are TDSB regulations we have to follow in terms of sanding and salting but there are a number of us out there patrolling the areas as well.
- Please send extra clothes and label lunch bags.
- Also it is not a food ban but a share ban. If you bring a snack to school you can eat it in your classroom but you cannot share it with your class.
- Very good feedback from Hodgson presentation. Principal Ian Wilson will be here March 7th for a Q&A

**Other Business** - Laura

Will put together an email for class reps regarding extra clothing, labels and dance-a-thon information

**Adjournment** - Laura

Motion to adjourn Gaya Sivam Sathiyamoorthy and seconded by Alpa Adalja

Our next FSA Meeting will be on Tuesday, March 7 at 7pm in the library. Childcare will be provided.