

Strembitsky Foundation Minutes

January 10, 2024

President: Samar Al-Hajjaj Vice President: Laura Ebbern

Treasurer: Janet Mitchell Secretary: Jessica Skoreyko

1. Meeting called to order at 7:27 pm
 - 1.1 Quorum Established
2. Samar made a motion to approve the agenda. Sam approved and Renee Brass seconded the motion. Motion passed.
3. Samar made a motion to approve the minutes of the last SPF meeting minutes held November 8, 2023. Renee Brass approved, and April Kennett seconded the motion. Motion passed.
4. Old Business – None
5. New Business

5.1 President's Update

- 5.1.1 Christmas concerts – raffle to win special parking in front of the school and special front row seating on comfortable couch for all three of the evening Christmas concerts was very well received. Those that won were very excited as they were able to skip the line and had a great parking spot.

5.2 Fundraisers

- 5.2.1 Concession – The first concession in December went well and the next one is scheduled for January 19th (first break and lunch – kinder and grade one will have treat bags and will be posted on site and online).

Samar would like to train more of the grade 7 and 8 Leadership students to assist with concession. New volunteers will be paired with those more experienced.

Should the treat bags they include other things? Some students would like just juice and chips. Option to have \$2 candy bags instead? Or just Chips and candy?

Decision - Keep treat bags as is for now, may change for February.

Schedule February concession for February 9th.

- 5.2.2 Healthy Hunger/hot lunch alternative vendors is being considered and a parent/volunteer has reached out to Janet to organize.

Next hot lunch is January 26. The deadline to order is January 21. Parents can order for the whole year.

- 5.2.3 Valentines Day – Other ideas for candy grams were discussed (flowers, stickers, etc.). Decision to stick to lollipops this year. Candy grams will be handed out on February 14th with the deadline to order is February 1st.

- 5.2.4 Heritage Popcorn - contacted Samar to do this fundraiser again. This was easy to organize and deliver. This will be launched on February 15th for delivery in March.

5.3 School Requests

- 5.3.1 Communication and media department is requesting 11 tripods at \$450. Motion put forward to approve \$450, approved by Karrie Whelen and seconded by Samantha Miedreich.

- 5.3.1 For the Indigenous Peoples event scheduled for Friday June 7th, requesting \$3,000 for equipment, presenters, games, kits, etc. Motion put forward to approve \$3,000, approved by Karrie Whelen and seconded by Samantha Miedreich.

5.4 Events

- 5.4.1 Alberta opera – a school-wide activity. Would be Cinderella as a live theater performance including a student guide and activities before and after. Select students get to be involved as cast and crew. Past events have been well received by students and teachers from all age groups. Event is booked for February 7, 2024, with two showings, 9:30 and 12:45pm.

- 5.4.2 Junior High Valentines Dance – The DJ is booked, and Papa Johns will donate brownies again. \$1,200 has been allocated for the dance, which includes the DJ (with photobooth) and snacks (chips, fruit, etc.).

Mathnasium has reached out and would like to donate. In the past we've handed out gift cards (Apple, Subway, Starbucks, etc.) for best dancer, games, etc. Samar will reach out to them and ask about gift cards. We would need volunteers to hand them out. Note, the dance is scheduled during school hours.

6. Financial Report – Samar provided an overview of the financial report. Highlights included:

- 6.1.1 Casino – Should receive casino money in February.
6.1.2 Mr. Shephard reminded us that the report includes all school requests and to review it as there is budget for this.

7. Meeting adjourned at 8:07 pm.

Attendees

Samar Al-Hajjaj
Laura Ebbern
April Kennett
Julia Styler
Jessica Skoreyko

Samantha Miedreich
Jenilee Woodfield
Renee Brass
Joanne Bullock
Karrie Whelen

Principal: Chad Shephard
Assistant Principal: Malti Verma and Brent Bigney

Guest: Martin Fechner