Chair report/need new secretary

- Chandra and Sylvia Robbins to share duties/take turns

## Attendance

Paula Paquette, Erin Farmer, Todd Thompson, Chandra Copeland, Amanda Janke, Sylvia Demers, Vicki Taylor, Mireille Scrivener, Amanda Wyman, Katie McCarlie, Sylvia Robbins, Jen Symonds, Emily Greenlaw

## **Principal's report**

- Tentative pop up vax clinic on Feb 7<sup>th</sup> after school
- No more Rapid tests available at this point, hoping for more
  - Plan is to keep us stocked up, but high school hasn't even received first round so we don't know when we're getting them
- Third path
  - Positivity and thinking positive can change outlook and help with resiliency and coming back against challenges
- Pilot projects
  - MPS has been asked to be part of two pilot projects
    - Grade 5/6 student for support with Math Kids with LDs and who are struggling with Math. Todd, the grade 5/6 teacher and Wendy Braid all went to some training around it. This is a provincial initiative we are one of 6 schools in southwest Ottawa being part of the pilot
    - Grade 4 using the CCAT 7 to assess
      - Screening to create student profiles
      - If a student has an area that isn't as strong, they can review things that have helped kids with similar issues in the past
- Marion McEwen Memorial money
  - Instead of being a garden bench, money to library instead to be part of creating a reading/hang out space in the library with some neat furniture to hang out
  - \$3954 with the board tendered discount
  - Looking for school money, council money and Marion McEwen money to go together and a plaque will be installed stating that the corner is funded in part in memory of Marion
  - Discussion surrounding cost and who will spend it etc
  - Other schools are all going through some other similar upgrades to library spaces, creating a learning commons
  - Ours by the end of the upgrade process will be ~\$20,000-\$22,000
- Covid reporting
  - We have not yet hit the 30%
  - It should be showing in the database, but for some reason none of the Ottawa South Elementary Schools

 Includes ALL absences, doesn't account for WHY – medical appointments, random days off, etc

## Treasurers' report

- See my own stuff to fill
- The \$500 we had set to go towards holiday hampers is being removed to be repurposed
- Discussion surrounding repurposing the money to some gift cards or cash to the school to be handed out to those in need
- We will transfer the \$500 to the school to be handed
- Financial requests
  - McEwen corner
  - Will approve the full amount, 425 from McEwen, Remainder from council

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## Communications

- FlipGive and Mabel's bit more a push towards these, on the bottom of the weekly newsletters
- Add the weekly newsletters to the council Facebook page
- Talked about keeping council separate from school things on the FB page, decision since there's not a lot going on with council crossover is ok

Mabels Labels is at \$24.38

FlipGive is at \$201

Little Caesers – Good to go, if we sell over a certain amount we get extra \$\$. Because we are regular we will get some extra free. Last year we got an extra 17 pizzas and sold them to the teachers! Extra money! Closing Feb 22<sup>nd</sup> – Jen's plan to start it is Feb 1<sup>st</sup>. Delivery is in March

Hot lunches and cake walk still on hold

Mail – all we got was the last bank statement showing 0 balance

Valentine's day – Todd to follow up if we're allowed to do it in a more normal way

Kinder information night was 1/26/2022

Some stuff about MFI program – maintaining the program and it being part of kinder information night. Todd assured that to the best of his knowledge we NEED an MFI in our area and since we have it already set up it makes sense. Also confirmation that MFI gets airplay in the kinder info night – it does!

Todd thanked the council for their support

Next meeting TBD