

New Horizons School Council Meeting Minutes

October 10, 2019
7:00 pm to 9:00 pm
Classroom, New Horizons School

Attendees: Elizabeth Macve, Sandra Dargis, Ted Zarowny, Sarah-Jane Lovgren, Sarah MacDonald, Brandi Mah, Laura Rasmussen

1. Call to order 7:05 pm

2. Statement of Territorial Acknowledgement

The School Council of the New Horizons Charter School respectfully acknowledges that the land on which we meet is Treaty 6 territory, a traditional home, gathering place, a travelling route for diverse Indigenous Peoples, including Cree, Saulteaux, Blackfoot, Nakota, Sioux, as well as the homeland of the Metis Nation. We recognize our responsibility as Treaty members and honour the heritage and gifts of the First Peoples of this land.

3. Adoption of Agenda

MOTION: Laura Rasmussen moved to adopt the Agenda as presented. Seconded by Sarah-Jane Lovgren. Motion Carried.

4. Approval of Minutes

- 4.1 June 25, 2019
- 4.2 September 11, 2019

MOTION: Sandra Dargis moved to approve the Meeting Minutes from June 25, 2019 and September 11, 2019. Seconded by Sarah MacDonald. Motion Carried.

5. Reports

- 5.1 Chair's report --None
- 5.2 Principal's report-- See Attached
- 5.3 Financial Officer's report-- See Attached
- 5.4 FANHS' report --None
- 5.5 Communication Officer's report-
Brenda Mitchell has resigned as Communications officer.

MOTION: Sarah-Jane Lovgren moved to nominate Laura Rasmussen as the Communication Officer. Seconded by Sarah MacDonald. Motion Carried.

6. Motion to Accept Reports

MOTION: Brandi Mah moved to receive the reports as presented. Seconded by Sarah-Jane Lovgren. Motion Carried.

7. New Business

- 7.1 Playground committee update -

Blue Imp has been selected as the contractor to build the playground, as of yet there is no contract or commitment with them. The next step is to obtain a grant writer.

MOTION: Laura Rasmussen Moved to approve up to \$1500 for a grant writer from the School Enhancement Fund. Seconded by Elizabeth Macve. Motion carried.

7.2 Student Incentives.

Request to increase student incentive expenditures up to \$125 for each of French and Music to a maximum of \$250, to be paid from the classroom support fund.

MOTION: Laura Rasmussen moved to approve student incentives expenditures up to \$125 for each of French and Music to a maximum of \$250, to be paid from the Classroom Support Fund. Seconded by Sarah-Jane. Motion Carried.

7.3 Artist in Residence.

Request to approve \$1000 from School Support, Academic Support for the deposit for the Quest Theatre Artist in Residence program.

MOTION: Sarah-Jane moved to approve \$1000 from School Support, Academic Support for the deposit for the Quest Theatre Artist in Residence program. Seconded by Laura Rasmussen. Motion Carried.

7.4 Halloween Dance (October 18) and Silent Auction – Event Planning

Discussion ensued regarding planning of the halloween dance.

MOTION: Laura Rasmussen moved to approve \$142.60 from School Support, Events. Seconded by Sarah-Jane Lovgren. Motion Carried.

7.5 Planning for School Movie Nights – November 22, January 31, March 20

7.6 Emergent business-

Teacher meals-- meals are needed for the first teacher interviews.

MOTION: Laura Rasmussen moved to approve \$500 from School Support, Staff Support for the first teacher interview meals. Seconded by Sarah-Jane Lovgren. Motion Carried.

8. Correspondence

9. Future Meeting Dates

- November 6, 2019 7-9pm
- December 12, 2019 7-9pm
- January 8, 2019 7-9 pm

10. Adjournment

9:02 pm

**New Horizons School Council Fund Allocation
Summary**

For the 2019/2020 School Year

	2019-2020 Allocation of Funds	Funds Disbursed	Funds Moteded but not yet Disbursed	Remaining Funds
School Support	\$ 6,000	\$ 54	\$ 1,396	\$ 4,550
Classroom Support	3,150	-	2,900	250
School Enhancement	45,000	-	-	45,000
Community Building / Parent Support	-	-	-	-
School Council Administration	100	-	50	50
GRAND TOTAL:	\$ 54,250.00	\$ 54.49	\$ 4,345.51	\$ 49,850.00

New Horizons School Council Fund Allocation

Detailed

For the 2019/2020 School Year

	2019-2020 Allocation of Funds	Total Motioned	Disbursed to date	Potential Projects, Items & Ideas Identified (Specific Highlighted Items are Under Consideration for the Education Plan)
School Support				
Clubs	\$ 500			<i>Ex. LEGO Mindstorms purchase; Arts & Crafts; Science; Track & Field; Computer, Chess, Maker Carts</i>
Sports & Well Being	500	250	54	<i>Ex. Sports Day; School Teams; Mission Impossible; Track 'n Field Competition Day / Healthy School Initiatives - Mindfulness, Health Fair, Yoga Instructor, Back up Lunches</i>
Events	1,500	1,200		<i>Ex. Christmas Play &/or Concert; Grade 9 Grad; Talent Show; Art Walk; Winter Carnival/ Cabane a Sucre (Sugar Shack); Kinder Grad; Science Fair</i>
Staff Support	1,500			<i>Teacher Meals; Interviews; Staff Appreciation Week; Bereavement; Staff Awards</i>
Academic Support	2,000			<i>Ex. Artist in Residence (\$4000), Jr High Drama; Academic Awards Event; "Reach for the Top"; Star Gazer; Art in Residence (Writing or Art); In-School Concert/Production; STEM; IB Programming Support</i>
Total	6,000	1,450	54	
Classroom Support				
Recess Equipment	500	500		<i>General Fund for the Entire School</i>
Classroom Incentives	2,650	2,400		<i>Student Based Funding at Teacher Discretion (Ex. reward items, special field trip, classroom fun activities/materials) (\$6 per student allocated)</i>
Total	3,150	2,900	-	
School Enhancement				
Sports Equipment	-			
Technology	-			
Major Projects	45,000			<i>Playground</i>
Total	45,000	-	-	
Community Building / Parent Support				
Guest Speakers				<i>Guest Speakers</i>
Team/Community Building				<i>Ex. Movie Night; BBQ; Dance; Family Game Night; Potluck; Paint Night, Peanut Scramble; Giving Back Campaign</i>
Public Relations/Hospitality				<i>School Based Celebrations; Festival of Trees, Science Fair (after hours); Parent Orientation Night</i>
Total	-	-	-	
School Council Administration				
General Admin Expenses	50			
Babysitting	50	50		
Total	100	50	-	
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GRAND TOTAL:	\$ 54,250	\$ 4,400	\$ 54	

New Horizons School Council Fund Allocation
Amounts Approved in the Minutes
For the 2019/2020 School Year

Date Motioned	Fund	Subcategory	Description	Amount
Sep-11-19	School Support	Events	Halloween Dance	500
Sep-11-19	Classroom Support	Student incentives	\$6 per student	2,400
Sep-11-19	School Council Admin	Babysitting	Babysitting	50
Sep-11-19	Classroom Support	Recess equipment	Total for School	500
Sep-11-19	School Support	Events	Grade 9 Grad	500
Sep-11-19	School Support	Events	Kindergarten Grad	200
Sep-11-19	School Support	Sports and Well being	Forgotten Lunches	250

New Horizons School Council Fund Allocation
Amounts Disbursed
For the 2019/2020 School Year

Date Approved	Paid to	Fund	Subcategory	Description	Amount
Sep-19-19	New Horizons School	School Support	Sports and Wellbeing	Forgotton Lunches	\$54.49

New Horizons School Council Financial Officers Report

October 9, 2019
7:00 pm
Learning Commons, New Horizons School

1. Current Fund Allocation Overview (See Attached)

Expenditures approved for disbursement:

- Forgotten lunches \$54.49

2. Motions to approve expenditures:

Student incentives:

Increase the amount to include French and Music

Sample Motion: I move that we approve student incentive expenditures of up to \$125 for each of French and Music to a maximum of \$250, to be paid from the classroom support fund

Artist in Residence

Re-motion the \$1000 not disbursed in the prior year for the Quest Theatre artist-in-residence application deposit.

Sample Motion: I move to approve \$1000 from School Support, Academic Support for the deposit for the Quest Theatre Artist in Residence program.

NHS School Council Meeting

Principal's Report

October, 2019
7:00 p.m.
New Horizons School

1. New Curriculum Update

- As you may be aware, classrooms were to have the opportunity to pilot the new K-4 curricula in this school year. Over the summer, the Minister has created an independent curriculum advisory panel to provide advice on the development of the new and future curriculum which will include an updated ministerial order on student learning with an emphasis on the knowledge, skills and competencies.
 - Consequently, the implementation has been postponed until the panel's work is complete.
 - The panel's work will be a starting point for public dialogue in early 2020, and will be informed by globally endorsed best practices, jurisdictional research and previous curriculum engagement feedback.
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2. New Modular Update

- At last night's Board meeting, a general contractor for the new modular was selected for the installment of the new modular.
 - A parking lot expansion is included. It will be on the east side of the current staff parking lot.
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3. School Council Report to the Board

- The Board has on its work plan a Report from the School Council at its December 11 meeting.
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4. Feedback From the "Parent Update" Post

- As indicated in an email to all parents each year we gather feedback from stakeholders in many ways.
 - Three formal ways are through the annual Stakeholder Forum, Board Surveys, and provincial Accountability Surveys.
 - Last year, much feedback was in regards to communication, and we have begun addressing that on different levels. In terms of whole school communication (ie. not from individual teachers or coaches), we received feedback that there are too many emails coming from the school, and at the same time not enough timely information coming from the school.
 - In order to strike a balance with both of those concerns, we have created a password protected "Parent Update" on our website.
 - School administration is interested in School Council feedback on this practice.
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