

APPROVED

Jules Verne Home & School Association Inc.

Meeting

Monday, Feb. 8th 2021 @ 7:00pm

Location: Via Zoom

Members present:

Jessica Budd, Sheila Lindsay, Kathy Ponteira, Tania Gianfrancesco, Marie-Claire Verdone, Lina D’Onofrio, Denise Karelis, Sandra Mencaroni, Nadia Sanita, Karine Lasante, Adam Garonce, Anna Bocchino, Carolina Asquino, Ben Verducci, Tania Frenza, Victoria Lemme, Sharon Harrisson, Fanny Luk

Absent members:

Giovanna Mascarò, Daniela Ferreira, Rawan Mourani, Claudia Pisanelli, Anna Batista, Lisa Volpato, Lucy Pereira, Nadia Spedaliere, Sabrina Lomascolo, Anita Pimentel, Marianne Mansour

Others in attendance:

Ms Tina Miscio

1. Welcome at 7:00pm – Jessica Budd

2. Adoption of the agenda

By: Sheila Lindsay

Seconded by: Sandra Mencaroni

3. Adoption of Minutes

By: Denise Karelis

Seconded by: Marie-Claire Verdone

4. Principal Report – Ms Tina Miscio

- a. Thank you for H&S for providing \$5000 for the final payment for the A/C wall units that were installed this Aug. 2020. The total amount was \$16,000 (\$11,000 paid by school). The payment of \$5000 was calculated through funds that were paid for updating the painting of the lines in our school yard as well as the landscaping, including the docu-cam which the school will still be getting, though other measures.
- b. Staff is so grateful for the Staff Appreciation –they were spoiled and enjoyed it
- c. Will be having a staff meeting to discuss what projects they want our help with, planning activities for the upcoming months with engaging activities

5. Reports

i. Chairperson Reports – Jessica Budd Muzzo

- a. A/C Update – we'll wait and see what will be needing for summer for the 1st floor
- b. By-Laws/Constitution- we do have a by-laws & constitution act which was dated 2014, we are making updates to this and adding some new relevant information for ex. e-transfers. New copy will be sent out & reviewed
- c. Annual Meeting (May 3rd 2021) – we will be reviewing and approving the updated By-Laws/Constitution
- d. One Goal for upcoming year - either more A/C units for the first floor or assisting in providing more Flexible seating classes.
- e. QFHSA Meeting Updates – we had quite a few meetings and discussed H&S fundraising, many different ideas for fundraising and different options with the pandemic most of the companies that were helping out were offering direct delivery to your home at no extra charge, all virtual, all on line. We will look into this more
- f. H&S Webpage – something we can maybe look into, it is a lot like Facebook page but it gives you a link to participate in fundraising, news, updates, etc. If anyone is interested to start this let Jessica know and she'll send you all information you need.
- g. Many Schools have not done many activities, so Thank You Miss Miscio for allowing and letting us continue to do these things for the kids.

ii. Treasury Report – Lina D'Onofrio

Account Balance; \$10,343, after all is paid (including promised funds + grad) we will have \$3,600 approx.

iii. Fundraising Reports

- a. Staff Appreciation – Tania, Ana & Denise – Feb. 1st to 5th we had 2 families who donated food from their restaurants/bakeries. We had so many different types of goodies for the staff. Day 1 we had Baskets of fruits, granola bars, Day 2 Bagels donated with coffee, Day 3-4 more coffee and treats and pastries, Day 5 was lunch paid by Miss Miscio for the staff from Meridiana – Staff got spoiled once again and they loved it
- b. Cookbook – Sheila & Tania G – collected 125 recipes, received some nice art to add, negotiating with the printer to get all art included at a lower price. Would like to get some help to put it all together, Sharon Harrison & Kathy Ponteira offered to help out – aiming at getting this ready to sell for Mother's Day (May)
- c. Fun Food Days – Sandra, Jessica, Sheila & Adam – within 2 weeks received 100+ kids who are participating, as well received positive emails loving the idea. Received Donations as well for the kids who did not participate. Raised \$1700. Most of the school participated in

this Fun Food Days, and for those who did not, we included them in so that everyone took part and no one was excluded. Thought for next year to add a note on the form that if they want to donate they can, something along the lines of the chocolate fundraiser form.

Thank you Adam for coming up with this Great Idea, parents and kids LOVE it.

- d. Virtual Comedy Night – Jessica (Daniela & Claudia N/A) – the only available date was April 9th, the H&S members felt it was too short notice and took a unanimous vote to table it to next year. However, this was a big fundraiser for us, so we'll need to think of ideas to bring in funds.

6. New Business

- a. Can Month – Adam we can look at collecting cans for \$\$, recycling them. There is a company that would come and pick up all the cans for a flat rate ex. 1 full bag would = \$30 maybe this something we can bring up for next year – Sept. 2021
- b. Pizza Month – Sandra – looking into this more – every month a different Pizzeria would donate a percentage of their sales made by our parents back to our school. Super Easy, we place our order and go pick up. Ex. Domino's donates 25% of sales to the school for all the families who order & pick up on that night. We can also ask Tania to see if she can get some of her Resto. Contacts to see if they would be interested in taking part in this so that we can have a variety of choices each month.
- c. Christmas Trees – we can buy real Christmas Trees who will be delivered to your home or you can pick up and a % of the sales goes back to our school – look at next year's fundraiser – Sept. 2021.

7. Q&A Period

8. Upcoming Home & School Meetings (moved to Mondays)

April 6th, May 3rd and June 7th (Dinner)

9. Adjournment – everyone

Next Meeting – Monday, April 6th @ 7pm