

**Jules Verne Home & School Association**  
**Meeting**  
**Tuesday, January 15, 2019 at 7:30 pm**  
**Location: School Cafeteria**

**Members present:**

Denise Karelis, Sheila Lindsay, Kathy Ponteira, Rina Alberga, Jessica Budd, Lina D’Onofrio, Rawan Mourani, Giovanna Mascaro, Adam Garonce, Pina D’Amico, Lucy Pereira, Anna Batista, Tania Frenza, Anna Bocchino, Marie-Claire Verdone, Michael Coirazza, Tania Gianfrancesco, Sandra Mencaroni, Pino Alberga

**Absent members:**

Sandra Badolato, Amy Pacheco, Claudia Pisanelli, Karine Lasante, Nadia Sanita, Lisa Volpato, Anita Pimental, Daniela Ferreira, Claudia De Luca, Veronique Joly, Marianne Mansour

**Others in attendance:**

Ms. Tina Miscio

**1. Welcome at 7:30pm – Denise Karelis**

**2. Adoption of the agenda**

By: Pino A.

Seconded by: Rina A.

**3. Adoption of meeting minutes**

By: Rina A.

Seconded by: Jessica B.

**4. Reports**

**i. Chairperson Report -Denise Karelis**

- a. The thanked everyone for the success we had over the holidays with both Breakfast with Santa and the music concert.

**ii. Treasury Report – Tania Gianfrancesco**

- a. Opening balance \$17,824.68 minus promised funds \$17,199.69.
- b. Bank balance approximately \$624

**iii. Volunteer Coordinator - Jessica Budd**

Volunteers are stepping up when needed, and we are having a great year so far. Volunteers will be needed going forward for Teacher Appreciation week and Comedy Night.

#### iv. Fundraising Reports

- a. **Holiday Concert (Dec. 12<sup>th</sup>)** - Sheila - all went well, everyone was able to see the show. We raised roughly \$400 for H&S and \$600 for Grad through the bake sale. Another \$600 of donations was received which covered \$200 for church and other expenses.
- b. **Chocolate Fundraiser Update – Sandra & Giovanna** - another letter was sent out to the families who have yet to return funds for chocolates. We are 10 families away from collecting all missing monies which is approximately \$900.

#### v. Activities Reports

- a. **Breakfast with Santa (Dec. 21<sup>st</sup>) – Nadia** – a decision was made to cancel the caterer/breakfast but we still held it with the kids bringing in their own breakfast; for the students that did not have breakfast cereal & milk was provided by Home & School. A discussion took place on whether we should hire a caterer for next year in order to save \$1000. Suggestions were to look at offering cereals, croissants, cookies or offering a Brunch instead of Breakfast. This will be the school's decision, since they pay for the breakfast.

### 5. Business Planning

#### i. Upcoming activities/ fundraisers – Short term:

##### a. **Staff Appreciation – Tanya & Anna February 4<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup>**

Super Hero Theme – ceremony in the gym

Make little masks & certificates, maybe look at having the student council to say something about the teachers

Sent out stencils for the kids to color and write something about their special teacher to be handed in to Mrs. Miscio directly (since it will be a surprise)

Decorate the gym as well as the teachers' lounge

Music – ask Mme Nathalie for her speaker where we can connect an iphone

Received a lot of donations from various suppliers like Dolce Sapore, Euro Marche, Meridianna, Ste Viature bagels, St. Martine as well as cake from Thilmont

Budget of \$600

Gift ideas for the teachers/staff indigo gift cards, H&S to give \$10/ School \$10 (43 staff members) A discussion ensued regarding whether or not a gift will be given, seeing as so much is being offered throughout the week.

##### b. **Comedy Night - Daniella, Claudia & Michael – February 15<sup>th</sup>**

We will be showing a slide show with all the logos of all who sponsored along with pictures of all the donations that went towards our school: ex. park, smart boards, ipads

Get the kids to say Thank you (on Video)

Piccola Gioia is going to be donating the food, it will be buffet style (like last year), looking to find out what is the max he's giving for free, after that it is \$9/per person (last year it was 140ppl) this year we are at approximately 200

No ticket sales at the door.

Look at giving coupons at the door for the food, once everyone has gotten their first plate and there are extras they can get up for seconds as this will ensure everyone has gotten at least their meal.

Looking at offering small appetizers on the tables.

Baked goods & coffee – still unclear whether grad committee will be baking/selling or whether there will be dessert donated. To be confirmed with Daniela. All proceeds from dessert and coffee will be going to grad.

Publicity already on social media, shared by a lot of us

Alcohol permit – sold by bottle or glass

Renting the lights for the stage to be lit up 65-70\$

Water – Eska donated

Soft drinks – donated

Lots of prizes anything that is under \$25 = door prizes / over \$26 = Raffle tickets

Price \$30 early bird special prior to Feb. 4<sup>th</sup> / after that \$35

Staff price \$25 (school paid \$5 for staff + spouse making it \$20)

**c. Carnival Day – Mme Nathalie March 1<sup>st</sup>**

Outing for the whole school at Glissade des Pays d'en Haut

The cost per child is \$15 as most of the outing is being subsidized by the school

**ii. Upcoming activities/fundraisers – Long term:**

**a. Cookie Dough Catalogue – Sheila**

Comes frozen, we can hand out pamphlet to the parents, only thing is that depending on how many orders we'll get it may thaw out before we can get it delivered to the parents.

Sales between 100-200 = 30% profit

Between 21-370 = 35% profit

Between 371+ = 40% profit

Needs to get GB approval

**b. Humor Company – Jessica Budd**

Another fundraiser, easy we can order online or by sheet, delivery to your own home, they offer different options ex. teas, soaps, chocolates, etc.

Needs to get GB approval.

Ms. Miscio will bring both items to governing board for approval. Then we can decide at the next meeting what we would like to do.

**iii. Possible Fundraised devoted to Grad Budget**

**a.** TCBY (once/twice a month)

**b.** Popcorn Days (once/twice a month)

**c.** Bake Sale (1<sup>st</sup> one held on Nov. 22<sup>nd</sup>)

## 6. School Updates

### i. Principal's Report – Ms. Tina Miscio

- a. **Caterer** – If parents are unhappy with the caterer, this is what needs to be done:
  - a. Need formal complaint via email
  - b. Once this is received we can have a sit down meeting w/caterer
  - c. Go to GB they are the ones who will make the final decision with all that we present to them
- b. **School Uniform** – dress code supplier – changing  
Triangulum offers 10-12\$ t-shirt (95% cotton/5% spandex)  
Also offers girl cut for t-shirts
- c. **Photographer** – for school pictures. Many parents were not happy with the quality and price; therefore, we are looking for suggestions for different photographers.
- d. **Pink T-Shirt Day** – Feb. 22<sup>nd</sup> (Friday) – Anti-Bullying Day  
Will have an assembly, videos, presentation  
Each child is going home with a puzzle piece to do and that will be presented to the students
- e. **Music Band Activity** – has begun. Many parents interested and first practice went well.
- f. **Parent Workshop** with Dr. Nadia “Free” – Jan. 31,<sup>st</sup> cost \$1000/per school
- g. **Laval Senior Band** came into school on January 15<sup>th</sup> the kids loved the show.
- h. **Gotcha Being Cool** – kids that were drawn received \$10 Walmart card
- i. **Cat in the Hat – reading program** is coming to read to Cycle 1 on January 29
- j. **Movement breaks** – 2 movement breaks will take place during the day; as well the kids are asked to march at same spot before Bell rings, the last 2 hours of the day around 2:40 they will exercise for 10mins.
- k. **Parent teacher meetings** (on invite) sheets will be going home with invite in February.

## 7. Question Period (15 mins)

**Next Meeting: Tuesday, March 12, 2018**