

**Ness Middle School
Parent Network
October 17th 2018**

A. Call to order

Time was 6:30pm

B. Attendance

Board Members Present: Jocelyne McKie, Mary Northover-Ramey Latisha Rowe

Regrets:

Members at Large: Julie Millar, Quincy Barnesky, Angela Mancini, Cindy Kantziaris, Kristen Rouire, Ainslie Flock, Carolyn Banting, Trevor Gavinchuk, Jodi Nechwediuk, Valerie Bermudez

Quorum Met: Yes

Administration Present: Jordana Buckwold, Cheri Banks

Special Guest: Jeff Memka

C. Approval of the Previous Minutes

Motion to approve previous minutes made by: Julie Millar

Motion seconded by: Kristen Rouire

All in favour: Motion passed

D. Administration Report

Special guest – Jeff Memka- Addictions Counselor for SJSD

His role primarily is one on one at the high school level, however he helps with PE teachers in implementing health programs, but is accessible for middle years

-does small booths at schools to bring awareness

-can access him for more information

-wants to do a parent seminar about how to talk to your kids and usage of substances

- watch a documentary

-social workers there as well

-discussion groups after- very structured

– in the evening -sometime in January

– location TBA

-Contact the school of you need to contact with him for support.

1. **Terry Fox Run** –September 28t was a great success.
2. **Orange Shirt Day** – September 28t and October 1, School-wide classroom
3. **Zones of Regulation and Talking Circles** – All grade 6 classes participated and some grade 7s.

***Z of R** -Help students become more resilient with their emotions. Help them get themselves back on track. It's private thing that helps students identify how they are feeling and how they can get back on track.*

***TC** – is the Indigenous perspective- nature focus, support from Indigenous Educator.*

4. **Ensouling our Schools:** A University Designed Framework for Mental Health, Well-being and Reconciliation – School wide sessions once a month starting in December.

5. **Cinemental** – all students attending French film festival, week of October 29th.

6. **Halloween Spirit Days** – Week of October 29

7. **Scholastic Book Fair** – November 20 – Run by Angela Mancini. Parents wishing to assist with this can contact Angela directly.

8. **Parent Trustee Forum** – Saturday, November 17, location and time TBA. Last year's discussion took place around the current school system, schools, making a difference locally and globally, preparing students for the world beyond.

-Will be asking for parents to represent Ecole Ness – about 2 hours 30 minutes

9. **Maintenance update** – spoken with half the school population about the washrooms

-expectations for the front doors of the stalls on the washrooms have not been met, so the opening of the washrooms has been postponed

-school is getting a new dust collector (ventilation system) for the wood shop room

10. AFM – Divisional Supports

E. Treasurers Report

May 2018: Available Funds \$187.67

Funds in: \$0.00

Funds Out: \$0.00

June 2018: Funds Available \$187.67

Funds In: \$1325.05

Funds Out: 1239.96

Month End July: \$272.76

Motion to approve the treasurer's report; Quincy Barnesky

Motion Seconded by: Carolyn Banting

All in favour: Motion passed

F. Old Business

- Treasurer vacancy

Motion to elect Valerie Bermudez as Treasurer

Seconded by: Quincy Barnesky

All in Favour: Motion passed

- Book Fair November 20th
- Teacher wish list – parents can purchase for the classroom
- Donations can also be made on behalf of a family to a specific classroom

Volunteers needed to set up, work and take down. Sign up on line will be sent out to all parents. Angela Mancini will set

G. New Business

a) *Fundraising ideas*

31 bags - Quincy Barnesky and Julie Millar to lead this fundraiser – Before Christmas

New Bothwell Cheese, Chocolate

H. Next Meeting Date: Wednesday, December 5th 6:30pm in the school

Motion to adjourn the meeting made by: Mary Northover-Ramey

Motion Seconded by: Carolyn Banting

All in favour: Motion passed

I. Meeting Adjourned: 8:14pm