

Steve Maclean Public School
Parent Council Year-End Report
2019-2020

The 2019-2020 Steve Maclean Public School Council had an active (though shortened) year with many ongoing initiatives. A warm thank you to all our council members, volunteers, and school staff for their dedication, motivation, enthusiasm, and support.

Also thank you to our school's Principal, Genevieve Gauthier-King, and Vice-Principals, Brad Sokalski and Ben Ovington, for their participation, guidance, and collaboration on our common goals.

The following list highlights some of our many projects and initiatives:

- Our pizza program remained our largest fundraiser requiring significant coordination and planning to execute.
- We organized another hugely successful (fourth) annual used book sale! The many volunteer hours that go into the advance planning, and the duration of the sale can be credited for the success. The volunteers ran this event over three days that invited students, teachers, and the public to participate.
- The Halloween dance enjoyed a strong attendance and the photo booth was a big hit.
- We funded: the annual budget for the school gardens; learning enhancements (outside presenters, etc.) for students in the first semester; and the purchase of winter recess equipment.
- In February, we hosted a Mindfulness Rocks pop-up session with guest Rebecca Lira. More than 60 people attended the session, including many SMPS families and a few neighbourhood friends as well.
- We had planned a Family Science Night that was to be held in February; unfortunately, it had to be rescheduled due to weather and then permanently cancelled following school closures (COVID-19).
- Planning was started for our annual end of year Carnival, but it was also cancelled due to school closures (COVID-19).
- We updated our bylaws to correct small inconsistencies with board guidelines.
- This report is separate from the financial review, submitted by our treasurer Atif Rashid.

We look forward to another successful year in 2020-2021.

Chair: Lynn Vanasse

Vice-Chair: Kyle Creelman