

Orleans Wood School Advisory Council 2021-22 Final Report

OWSAC's Mission and Vision

OWSAC is an advisory body composed of parents/guardians, teachers, and school staff with the shared concern for the education and school experience of the students at Orleans Wood Elementary School.

The staff and students of Orleans Wood benefit on a daily basis from the hard work of our school council. They play a crucial advisory role in the school in addition to supporting the school through a variety of fundraising initiatives.

OWSAC's 2021-22 Membership

- Principal: Aaron Hawley
- Staff Representative: Jessica Madore
- Chair: Marnie Khokhar
- Treasurer: Kathy Turner
- Secretary: Rotational
- Members-at-large:
 - Betsey Chaly
 - Rebecca Van Dyk
 - Janis Sops
 - Chris Dainty
 - Sherry McKee-Freeman
 - Caroline Seguin-O'Hara
 - Ashley Moulard

Note from the Chair

OWSAC continued to support the students and school community as best we could despite the continuation of the COVID-19 pandemic. While we were not able to host any in-person events, we were able to oversee a Read-A-Thon, run several smaller fundraising events and contribute financially to various initiatives at the school.

Fundraising activities by the school council

During the 2021-22 year, OWSAC continued our fundraising efforts through:

- A Read-A-Thon
- Holiday wreath/planter sales
- Popcorn sales
- Pizza sales
- Chocolate sales

The funds were used to support the students at Orleans Wood ES through the following programs and purchases:

- Storage and seating purchases (phase 2 and 3) for the Library Renewal Project
- Raz Kids licenses
- 5-A-Day subscriptions
- Angel Tree (supports OWES students and families)
- Ice Cream Party

- Contributions for the Grade 3 Graduation and family celebration

Other activities by the school council

Due to the continuing COVID-19 pandemic OWSAC was unable to contribute to any other activities.

Spending plans of raised funds

OWSAC fundraised in order to support the Orleans Wood ES Library Renewal Project, which is a major undertaking to cover the replacement costs for the furniture that is not covered by the school division. The council was able to cover the costs for Phase 2 and 3, which included storage and seating for the library.

Comments for the successor school council

With cautious optimism for a more normal year after years of challenges due to the COVID-19 pandemic, we hope that OWSAC continues to find opportunities to come together and support the students and school community at OWES.