# Tiffany Hills Elementary

# School Council Meeting Minutes September 20, 2017

# **Opening**

The regular meeting of the Tiffany Hills Elementary was called to order at 6:36 pm.

#### **Present:**

- Jane Gerritsen
- Amy Telford
- Jennifer Fortuna
- Nermeen Malik
- Kathy Green
- Sadaf Bhatti
- Andrea Hitchcock
- Shveta Thapar
- Dipika Desai
- Kirsty Russell
- Gail Vickers
- Yeme Daemo

# 1. Welcome, Attendance, Introductions

# 2. Purpose of Council, Norms and Role

- School Council is an advisory to Mrs. Gerritsen; we work together to problem solve and communicate between parents and school
- Bring a community voice
- We can raise questions regarding bettering the school as a whole (K-8)

# 3. Constitution: Review, edit/revise

- Constitution is for us to follow
- Helps make tough decisions
- Helps if/when conflict
- 1 voting member per family
- Attend 3 out of 6 meetings
- A copy of the constitution was given to everyone attending the meeting.
  We will all review and bring back any concerns/changes for Oct meeting

# 4. Updates: funds to be available to start school year

- We have \$2,179.35
- All money raised goes to one School Council account
- We decide as a group what to spend money one
- Money raised in the school year should be spent in that school year.

# 5. Principal's Update

- Re-organization
  - o We had 65 new students enroll
  - o Schools are re-organizing across the board now; ours is done
  - THES Opened a new Kinder class- there were 2 classes with 35-36 students. Teachers identified 15 kids from each class for the new classroom. The new classroom will have 1 teacher and 1 ECE
  - o 30 is cap for JK/SK clasess
  - Max students for each class: Primary at 20 students; Juniors (Grade 3-6) at 23/24 students; Intermediate 33 students (there is no cap)
  - o Both 7/8 classes are Team Teaching
- Fall Event: Meet the Teacher
  - o Will be Thursday, Oct 5 from 4:30-6:30
  - o Lions Club will come back for BBQ
- Crock a Doodle Tiles-Will be installed this Friday in stairwell A&B
- JK/SK-Is the new teacher Perm? Supply? The hiring will happen this week and then the teacher will be Perm
- Razz Kids-Teachers will approach principal for access, there will be home access
- Holiday Bazar? Brought up the possibility of having a Holiday Bazar for kids to shop at (Tentative Date: Dec 5), 100% Parent Run, Bake Sale Table along w/ Pop/Juice. Amy will gather info from Parent from Ancaster Meadow to bring to next meeting, Kirsty will talk to staff, decision to be made next week

# 6. Elections of Executive for 2017-2018 Year (Secretary, Treasurer, Chair/Cochair)

- Chair/Co-Chair: Amy and Kathy voted in unanimously
- Secretary -Nermeen voted in unanimously
- Treasurer- Dipkia- Welcome!

#### 7. Confirmation of voting members

- Must attend first meeting
- 1 vote per family

# **8. Future Meeting Dates**

• The following dates were agreed upon: Oct 4, Nov 1, Jan 10, Feb 7, March 7, April 4 and May 2 (Last Meeting) Meetings will be held at 6:30pm

# 9. Close meeting

- Pizza Starts Oct 11 (Wednesdays) A vegetarian option was brought up, but it will be too confusing. We will have cheese/pepperoni
- Lunch Lady will be on hold until we hear from other options: Subway, etc.
- We will generate a list to have at Open House for Parents who would like to volunteer
- Funds we have what will be used for? Uniforms for sports?
- We will look for a new company to order Spirit Wear from
- Jane requested to add a line to pizza orders to "top up" for a donation. Funds will go to Angel Fund (Helps kids w Trip funds, Pizza-families that need it) It was unanimously agreed upon
- Spring Book Fair w/ Scholastic? Maybe at the Open House, we need to contact them now. Amy will contact Scholastic
- Idea for a Book Swap: We will discuss to hold this once schools re-open in January
- What will we do for Anti-Bullying? Is there a corporate sponsor for the province?

# Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 8:27 pm. The next meeting will be at 6:30pm on October 4, 2017, at Tiffany Hills Elementary School.

Minutes submitted by: Nermeen Malik

Approved by: