



Central Elementary School

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January 8, 2020 School Council Meeting

PRESENT:		
Mohammad Kibria (Chair)	Tannis Hamill (Principal)	Melike Yilmaz (Parent)
Cynthia Boodo (Parent)	Erin Jaggard (Parent/Secretary)	Barb Stares (Community Representative)
Darlene Scott (Public Health Nurse)	Christine Sandor (Parent)	Darren Barlow (Parent)
Jodi Prank (Parent)		
DISTRIBUTION:		
Matt Calvano (Parent)	Dan Thomas (Parent)	Sara Flavelle (Teacher Representative)

Agenda Item	Notes	Action Items
Principals Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Teacher rep not present due to job action - Current Job Action: clubs, sports ongoing - Stage 3 Job Action pending with additional action in near future - Reading and Mathematics – focus persists; evaluation ongoing; no formal meetings being held during current job action - School Holiday bazaar – huge success; \$914.35 raised at event; organizers will ensure that a call for additional volunteers from school council for future years is made - Looking for bird seed donations – funding available from School Generated Fund (SGF); can be incorporated into annual plan (plan due annually in Oct/Nov) - Reading program – volunteer training pending; organized by Katharine Knapp reading specialist 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Recommendation that school council members obtain police checks for volunteer opportunities - Erin to follow up with Katherine regarding opportunity to reach out to volunteers/ community members
Chair Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - School holiday bazaar <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Huge thanks for Cynthia and Dan for organizing - Contact established with Hamilton Foundation for Student Success – looking for assistance with fundraising - Fundraising strategy: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Idea of running bazaar in community as a fundraiser 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Please reach out to Kibria if interested in joining him during discussions on fundraising - Kibira to issue a general School Council strategy paper (specifically



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Ideas: pizza days ○ Looking to establish a plan for 2020 and beyond; this will include a needs assessment - PRO Grant Application – Kibria spoke with board communication rep. regarding changes (funding not available as anticipated) - Discussion about \$500 School Council funds & direction of school council – perhaps this council needs to work in its strategy for fundraising; HWDSB and HWCDSB is actively considering change to school bell time across the board – unsure of changes to Central. Link to full report: https://www.hwdsb.on.ca/blog/hwdsb-and-hwcdsb-carrying-out-school-bell-time-study/ - Consultation about bullying prevention being hosted by HWDSB. Learn more: http://bit.ly/SafeSchoolsPanel - 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> on fundraising) for discussion at next meeting - At next meeting, confirm allocation of funds for \$500 school council budget – send ideas to Kibria
School Improvements Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - School in queue for updates based on the “2019/2020 Elementary Facility Benchmark Strategy” to the Gymnasium, Playfield, Visual Arts room, and Learning Commons. This has been put on hold at this point as the heritage component is being investigated. Improvements in these areas are on hold, until we know further. - Annual safety inspection conducted by board auditor – completed in Nov 2019; no issues identified 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Tannis to follow up with board regarding safety concern about the quality of the historical playground fence - Erin to draft a letter regarding overall need for school improvement for review and comments by School Council
Update from Darlene – Health and Wellness	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Central Cares Club – still meeting (not currently impacted by job action) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Kindness banner was created and is now posted 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Darlene to work with Erin and Christine on grant application for bike racks



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Promoting school connectedness, mindfulness, “Central Connects” proposal pending ○ Initiative to reduce single use plastic with K. Smith - Bike Racks – \$600 grant is available	- Tannis to speak to contact about bike rack installation
Other upcoming events	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Multicultural day scheduled for May 28, 2020 – pending job action – to be discussed at next meeting - Spring 2020 clothing swap 	- Christine & Cynthia to organize clothing swap – looking for improved communication to parents
Upcoming Meetings	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Feb 5 at 6 pm - March 4 at 6 pm - April 8 at 6 pm - May 6 at 6 pm 	

Next meeting: Wednesday, February 5 at 6:00 p.m.