



Central Elementary School

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Agenda Logistics

Date	November 2, 2021
Start Time – End Time	7:00pm – 8:00pm
Meeting Location	<p>Microsoft Teams meeting</p> <p>Join on your computer or mobile app</p> <p>Click here to join the meeting</p> <p>Or call in (audio only)</p> <p>+1 647-749-9281,,903081050# Canada, Toronto</p> <p>Phone Conference ID: 903 081 050#</p> <p>Find a local number Reset PIN</p>
Attendees	<p>Gordon Carey, Principal</p> <p>James Kesteven, Chair</p> <p>Ybia Anderson, Treasurer</p> <p>Christine Sandor, Secretary</p> <p>Bradley Kore, Teacher Representatives</p> <p>Beth Grosso, Teacher Representatives</p> <p>Cynthia Boado, Parent Representative</p> <p>Rebecca Antoszek, Parent Representative</p> <p>Marieta Chervendoncheva, Parent Representative</p> <p>Louai Moghrabi, Parent Representative (Regrets)</p> <p>Melissa Parahoo, Parent Representative (Regrets)</p> <p>Jeremy Sandor, Parent Representative (Regrets)</p>

Agenda Details

Agenda Item	Topic	Action Items
Open Meeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Land Acknowledgment Statement, Opening Remarks, Chair Report 	
Chair Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> James has had some conversations with the board etc about capital budget projects at the school 	
Principal Report (Gord Carey)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Some improvements about school grounds Pavement between portables, fencing etc – the board is looking into quotes for fencing and some other projects around the school yard 	



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Looking into improving the north school exit on Hunter so it can be used as an emergency exit Lift in main foyer off of Hunter Street – installation of automated accessible buttons to 2nd floor Students settling after October reorganization – still some staffing positions shifting IEPs for students have been completed Student Progress Reports going home Nov 19th – Kinder will get a report with four-frames; focus on student well-being; Gr 1-5; going home as hard copies this year; Growing Success Document – recommends ongoing communication with parents – no formal parent-teacher interview time like in the past – if there are any questions about the report card – Question re: how this is being communicated to parents PA day coming up – oppression and anti-racism training for staff Have noticed some gaps in student learning and development, so hoping to use some time on that PA day to address some of the interventions that students may need re: literacy, numeracy, social development etc 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Gord will send out information about report cards and change in parent-teacher-interview process this year through email and school website
Teacher Report (Bradley Kore, Beth Grosso)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Teachers have spent a lot of time focusing on well-being and easing students back into the school environment Getting to know students and getting to know academic/social/emotional needs and gaps in learning due to effects of COVID Striving to make school feel normal within health and safety guidelines Some teachers utilizing MS Teams to have guest speakers (Author, MP for Hamilton Center etc) – utilizing the increased comfort with technology as an opportunity for learning Diagnostic reading assessment has shown some gaps in literacy Staff overall are managing well with virtual 	
School Facilities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Update on fencing & school exterior Playground area is city property – James will follow up with the city for survey Through the board there is an audit that is done every year, so waiting to hear about the process and timeline for that 	



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Each year there are capital funds that are allocated to schools for capital projects, will be worthwhile looking into funding through the city because of the historical designation of the school Christine brought up participating in the Durand Neighbourhood Association as an avenue to explore and have on board with respect to improvements with the school 	
Fundraising	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> We do have some funds set aside currently – could we potentially use these funds for increasing technology awareness and upgrades within the school – bring on more mobile devices within the school Other items could include art supplies; phy ed equipment; musical instruments; books etc School generated funds - ~ \$7000 in a fundraising account Determine time for completion of fundraising plan for 2021 What creative fundraising efforts could be utilized during the pandemic – what other grants or Should we have a separate fundraising committee that is separate from the core school council Update bike rack quote – Christine waiting to hear back from companies for quotes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bike racks – facilities may provide bike racks- Christine will follow up with quotes, and Gord will follow up with facilities regarding providing bike racks.
Student Council Budget Review	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Review of the current budget Budget utilization – How do we want to use the resources available to us? Discuss fundraising options – Upgrades to student technology, art supply, music et. al. Grants, community partnerships etc James Ybia chat about fundraising channels etc....to send to Beth to create that on teams 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> James, Ybia, Gord will meet to determine fundraising model etc
Other Items	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Communication within school council team – disc using MS teams as a forum for ongoing communication within the team Christine brought up opening up the meetings to the broader Central community and making the MS teams link available for other parents in the school 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> James and Christine will meet to talk about MS Teams channel to build for Beth



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		- Christine and James will chat further about the guidelines/for this
Meeting Adjournment	• Closing Remarks	5 mins

Upcoming Meetings – 7pm
Tuesday January 4, 2022
Tuesday February 1, 2022
Tuesday March 1, 2022
Tuesday May 3, 2022