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PRINCIPAL: Mr. G. Carey

Date	Tuesday November 29, 2022	
Start Time – End Time	6:30-7:30pm	
Meeting Location	In-Person & MS Teams meeting	
Attendees	Present In-Person	Present Virtual
	Gordon Carey, Principal	Andrea Gulyas, Secretary
	Christine Sandor, Co-Chair	Erica Speakman, Parent Rep
	Yonatan Rozenszajn, Co-Chair	Louai Moghrabi, Parent Rep
	Beth Grosso, Teacher Rep	Daren Myles, Parent Rep
		Rebecca Antoszek, Parent Rep
	Sabreina Dahab, Ward 2 Schoolboard	Jeremy Sandor, Parent Rep
	Trustee - Guest	Maria Difalco, Teacher Rep
		Renata Gal, Teacher Rep
		Manish Bhagtani, Paretn
		Tosin Olayanju, Parent
		Selena Dankos, Parent
		Quorum - Yes
	Regrets	
	Corinne Carlin, Public Health Nurse	
	Alyson Shields, Treasurer	
	Nick Berrafati, Teacher Rep	
	Trishna Balchandani, Parent Rep	
	Rufayda Ali (SWIS) – Community Representative	
	Minutes: Andrea Gulyas, Christine Sandor	

Agenda Item	Topic	Action Items
Welcome and Land	•	
Acknowledgment		
(Christine – 2 min)		
Review of Previous	- Review minutes from Tues Oct 25, 2022	
Minutes	- Minutes approved	
(Christine - 2)	 -Quick Introduction of co-chair and leads: Christine, Yonathan (co-chairs), Gord Carey, Andrea (secretary) -Sabreina- Trustee Introductions of attendees 	



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Guest Intro and	Sabreina – Schoolboard Trustee for Ward 2	
Welcome	Sabreina is open to hear how we want the Trustee to engage with	
(Christine – 2 min)	the school	
	- Sabreina also works at the YWCA sexual assault centre	
Principal's Report	- The Parent Council committee is happy that we have so	
(Gord – 5 min)	many people joining	
	- We have really great representation from our parent	
	community	
	PA Day	
	- Working with UDL, planning for all students in the class	
	- Digging deeper to understand how we can get to know our	
	students better: communicating with students and	
	families	
	- Staff work together to meet curriculum requirements, but	
	also to engage students	
	 Cognitive Profiles and learning Profiles: assessments 	
	address strategies re: executive functioning, need to	
	explore these terms further; fluid reading – take what they	
	have learnt in the classroom to apply it elsewhere	
	- Need to understand terms to be able to be effective	
	- Planning for equity	
	- Helping students who have gaps in their learning	
	 Identifying students with gaps in reading, writing and 	
	mathematics and come up with interventions	
	EQAO update	
	- Happy with EQAO scores	
	- Scored close to board average in Math (44% got a level 3 or	
	above ie a B or above), Reading (64% scored level B or	
	above), Writing (42% scored close to the board average)	
	- Data available on EQAO website: find your school then click	
	on achievement	
	Confidence	
	- Great confidence at Pearson	
	- Staff have done a great job at building the ss confidence	
	- 52% of Central ss said they are good at math	
	- 73% Good at reading	
	- 67% Good at writing	
	- 64 % like make	

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	- ?? to read	
	- 70% like to write	
	Playground renovation input (under New business)	
	Poppy Project	
	- Have a connection with a retirement residence.	
	- Students shared great messages with hem	
	- Want to increase community connection between Central	
	School and the community	
	Winter Concert	
	- Ms Beckley has coordinated a winter concert.	
	- 1:30 parents, families and guardians are invited	
	- Many winter, peace on Earth themes	
	- There is a bulletin board designated for school council	
	- Have posted performances on the front bulletin board.	
	- If there are any concerns about performances let the office	
	know by next week	
Teacher's Report	CCAT testing Canadian cognative ability test	
(Beth 5 min)	- Written by grade 4s, everyone in grade 4	
	- Results come out in some months time	
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	December Events	
	- Winter concert	
	- Classroom community type activities for holidays	
	December Events – classroom community events	
	- Extra curricular – crochet club; kindness club; recycling	
	team; robotics team	
	- Bulldogs game – Gr 4/5 Wed Dec 7 in am; high proiority	
	school, so no cost for student	
	- Learning Skills school initiative	
Chair Report	- FB page – launched and SC website –	
(Christine – 5 min)	- Durand Neighbourhood Association - Christine attended	
	the first board meeting in November; gave a small write	
	up to go in the latest DNA Newsletter	
	- \$500 from PIC to spend to support school council	



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Public Health Nurse	Follow Up Items - Christine will start compiling a list of ideas that people bring forward, so that we can start to think about events etc that SC wants to organize Follow up Items - Health Action Team Update— group of Gr 4 &5 students who	
(Corinne – unable to attend meeting today)	meet one lunch/week to work on a project – some examples of previous projects: anti-bullying, kindness wall, mural, dance-athon, chalk event, kindness and inclusion, cultural diversity event, daily positive quotes on announcements, hat & mitten tree, button-making event etc.	
	 Parent Engagement Social Tea – Tues Nov 1, 2-3pm ESL teachers and PHN to have interatiosn with paretns to get more information about what ppl are interested in; new one will be hosted in new year 	
Budget and Fundraising (Alyson?/Christine) (5 min)	 Fundraising update Mabels Lables and TruEarth launched Handout to parents sent home Posted on FB page Total raised to date: (ML - \$60; TE- \$87) 	 Gord to post links on SC website Make poster /flyer for community
	Pizza Day - Friday Dec 16 th – Tori Charters – volunteers to come in to help count money on Friday Dec 16 th in am Additional Fundraising opportunities – volunteers to look into each	
	 Pizza Pizza days Indigo fundraiser for library https://www.indigoloveofreading.org/grants/literacy-fund-grant/ 	
	Follow Up Items	
Group Norms and	Winter clothing fenceReview draft of Group Norms and Terms of References	



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Terms of	- Vote to accept or make changes	
Reference		
(Jeremy – 15 min)		
New Business (15 min) (Christine/Gord)	School Rejuvenation Plan General update and info (Gord) \$900,000 Gord gave a tour for the site Cooling system for gymnasium Scheduled for next summer Meeting with Hamilton Center for Student Success re: fundraising (Christine) Plan moving forward – SC @ Holiday Concert; Town hall in Jan - Set a date Visioning board for students; input from families for outside space – playground, turf, benches, shade etc. Playground Wish List Wall	 Alyson – to create worksheet for students to fill out for playground To do: compile and write up data; volunteers to attend holiday concert – popcorn and graffiti wall Sub-committee – to meet more often to keep this project going; call out to the rest of the school for other parent volunteers
Meeting Adjournment	- Parent Information Board – can we get a new one for outside the school entrance?	
Upcoming Meetings	Tues Jan 31 Tues Feb 28 Tues Apr 25 Tues May 30 Tues Jun 20	