

**Earl Kitchener Elementary School Council Meeting**  
**Tuesday, October 18, 2016**

**Start Time:** 6:55pm

**Adjourned:** 8:05pm

Agenda Item	Discussion	Decision/Action Item
<b>Review and Approval of Agenda</b>	Motion: Yo Second: Gay	
<b>Approval of September Minutes (AGM)</b>	Motion: Natasha Second: Yo	
<b>Old Business</b>		
<b>Playground Update (Kate)</b>	<p><b><u>Wish list for spending balance of funding (\$30k):</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• trees, painted lines, interactive elements for FDK, outdoor news board, pollinator garden</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Maintenance Requests for the HWDSB:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Water Hose and connection point accessible in back yard; maintain/manage woodchips, replace dead trees; etc</li> </ul>	<p>-establish guiding principals for proceeding with spending</p> <p>-determine timeline for receiving funds, gaining approvals, completing the work, paying vendors</p> <p>-set up a meeting with Nadine, Richelle and parent rep to understand and communicate above points</p>
<b>PRO-Grant</b>	<p>Theme this year will again be Transitions. FDK team will discuss if any changes from last year are necessary; grade 5s to have a speaker, theme TBD. There was a question about other options for attending schools other than Ryerson when starting grd 6; these are available on the HWDSB website for anyone interested in learning more about Hockey Academy, Basketball Academy, Sage, etc. spots are limited. Ryerson Middle school to host a speaker Nov 10, 2016 - recommended anyone interested in the topic (?) should attend</p>	
<b>Principal's Report</b>	<p>EQAO results were presented  Targeting a focus on Math -EK has 55% of students in the 3-4 level for math (below HWDSB average)  Meeting with staff to plan increased math focus  ARC Process has begun  Proposal will be posted soon on the Board Website  School Council has been asked for a representative to attend weekly meetings Jan-March 2017. Individuals who are interested should contact Allison Savage.  One community member will also be asked to attend (cannot have kids attending a school within the ARC).</p>	
<b>Staff Report</b>	<p>Progress reports will go home this year; interviews Nov 3/4<sup>th</sup>  PA day Nov 4  Art Gallery trips have been planned for grd 3-5 students again this year  Bulldogs Game -trip for grds 3-5 -parent volunteers needed  Photo Day was a success. Class photos will take place on re-take day  Donations would be appreciated to help off-set the shortfall for fieldtrips</p>	

	Spirit wear orders will be distributed in about 3 weeks	
<b>New Business</b>	<p>Jenn W to postpone visit from the Trustee; too busy at school right now, need more info about the ARC in advance of their visit.</p> <p>Cindy S presented information about the Participatory Budget Funding that was awarded for Earl Kitchener School. \$200000 is likely to be allocated to the revitalization of the school grounds (to be planned for and spent separately from the \$30000)</p> <p>Motion set forth on Oct 21, 2016 for the first 12 projects in Ward 1 to receive funding; EK project was differed to next round since ARC could interrupt the plans for the school yard</p> <p>Request to set up a meeting with Aiden Johnston, HWDSB staff and School Grounds Committee</p>	

**Next meeting:**

**Nov. 15, 2016**