

# PARENT COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Location: Lincoln Alexander School, Hamilton

Date : November 20, 2023

Time: 6:30 pm

Attendees: Mr. Berketa, Jessica, Devin, Katie

## Agenda Items

### 1. Welcome and introductions

### 2. Principal/Teacher's Report

- Winter season is approaching and snow removal will be done by the city for all side walks. The walk way that is attached to the school is done by the school caretaker upto 4 inches. They will also be cleaning ½ the back play ground for nutrition break.
- In case of schools closing due to increment weather families will be notified by 6 am. Parents and gardians will be notified through emails and over the phone.
- Gardians are encouraged to update their contact information as soon as possible in case of emergency.
- Meet the teacher night was very successful.
- EQAO for Grade 3 and 6 students. Discussed Lincoln stats vs. provincial. School is doing well and areas for improvement are noted.
- Next p.a. day staff will be meeting to discuss the goals for next testing.
- Holiday Show is planned for the morning of Dec. 14<sup>th</sup>. Time of assembly will be announced and families are encouraged to attend. All classes will be participating in the assembly.

### 3. Fundraisers

- Currently there is not a lot of funding to work with. We received a grant for student needs that is covering consumables and some text books. There is still a need for technology such as ipads, computers and wall mounts for the projectors. The kinder class is also requesting funding to update their creative play centers.
- Brought to the table was the possibility of a Parent Reaching out Grant. This is for up to \$1500. Applications need to be sent by middle of Jan. Forms to be filled out at the next meeting where we are to bring ideas of educational activities that the grant would go towards.

- Fundraisers were started earlier this year by Mr. Berketa. All monies raised this far has gone towards offsetting the need for bus transportation and field trips.
- Popcorn Tuesday's are a success. Popcorn is being sold for \$2 a bag during nutrition break and \$1 is coming back to the school.
- New to the school is Pita Pit Wednesday. Parents can go on line and order pita pit for Wednesdays for \$7 a week. \$1 from each sale comes back to the school.
- Mables Labels is a new fundraiser this year. Information went home with students last week and when ordering if you shop under Lincoln Alexander Hamilton a portion of the sales will come back to the school.
- Starting the week of Nov 27 the gift card fundraiser will be up and running. Emails have been sent out along with paper order forms that can be submitted in person or through cash on line. All gift cards will be handed out before Christmas break.
- Starting the second week of December we will be restarting Pizza Fridays. Pizza will be ordered from Dominos and cost will be \$2 a slice. They will be handed out second nutrition break.
- Katie will be contacting Krispy Kreme donuts to set up a donut fundraiser. When contacted Nov 22 they stated that there was no open spots left this year but to call back at the beginning of December to inquire about cancellation dates.

#### 4. Next Meeting : January 22, 2024 at 6 pm

- This meeting will give us a chance to discuss the Parent reaching out Grant and further fundraisers
- Meeting will be held in the library and on team

#### 5. Close meeting