



École Élémentaire Michaëlle Jean

School Council Meeting Minutes

November 21, 2019

Members Present: Panos Gastinos, Amie Ronbeck, Jeremy Galea, , Michelle Ahrens, Jodie Whyte, Renée Beaudoin, Emmanuala Crawford, Trish Rainer, Shelley White, Lisa Neal, Suzanne Hall, George Bijelic

Regrets: Dina Gastinos,

Agenda Item	Discussion/Action Taken	Person(s) Responsible
Welcome & Attendance	Council was welcomed by: Panos Gastinos The meeting was called to order at 6:35 pm by: Panos Gastinos	P. Gastinos
Review & Approval of Previous Minutes	Previous meeting minutes were reviewed by: Panos Gastinos A motion to approve the minutes was made by: Panos Gastinos Agenda approved.	P. Gastinos
Standing Reports		
Principal's Report	<p>THIS IS THE REPORT FROM THE PRINCIPAL TO SCHOOL COUNCIL</p> <p>Positive Culture and Well-Being</p> <p>Board Target: The number of students who feel safe, supported and accepted will increase by 2020</p> <p>Here is what the Boards has planned: HWDSB Offers New Initiative and Training Leading up to Bullying Awareness and Prevention Week</p> <p>November 18 - 22 - Bullying Awareness and Prevention Week - p, j, i lesson plans, morning announcements, instagram posts</p> <p>Staff Meeting Nov. 21 Training on Emotion Coaching (ie. Validation), to enhance student-staff relationships (i.e. caring adult).</p> <p>2 STEPS</p> <p>Step 1 What is validation: it is an attempt to convey understanding of the student's experience. Proving that you get it - but from the student's point of view.</p> <p>Step 2 Emotion Coaching can we delivered in 2 minutes or less - practice the skill; offering emotional and/or practical support -</p>	L. Neale

	<p>can include words of comfort or reassurance, or concrete help to solve the problem.</p> <p>November 29 - PD Day focussed on Bullying - what is bullying; how to respond and report - deeply understand bullying, types of bullying, interventions and preventions ---- why? So we can ----support students in feeling safe, supported and accepted</p> <p>https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/hamilton/hwdsb-bullying-awareness-week-devan-selvey-1.5362807?__vfz=medium%3Dsharebar</p> <p>Principal presented the School Council Bullying Presentation on Nov. 21st:</p> <p>https://www.hwdsb.on.ca/wp-content/uploads/2019/11/School-Council-Bullying-Presentation.pdf</p> <p>Additionally, there is a 28 page Bullying presentation for Council by Mme. Neal. Link available for parent council review on MJ website.</p>	
Teacher's Report	Emotion Coaching. the teachers had some great training as educators where they learned to helped students to mindfully feel helped and supported. For students with emotional issues, difficulties with peers or other issues...we learned how to validate their feelings. Educators can then move towards talking to them, putting in a plan and finding out what is going on with the student.	K. Lees
Treasurer's Report	Chocolate Fundraising total sales before amount owing \$20,647,16 Total take home \$9368.50 Paid for gym equipment, sound equipment, Soundbox Pa and chocolat Closing balance \$13,730,34	E. Crawford
Previous/On-going Business		
Joy Day	Community building free activity for the kids. We will have parent volunteers and older grade mentors to help the younger students.	L. Neale J. Whyte
Future Fundraising	Nothing in the future plan	P. Gastinos
Globe and Mail article	Hydration station continuous discussions and monitoring of the situation as it continues to develop.	P. Gastinos
Mittens	Fundraiser is going well and ends on November 27th.	L. Neal
New Business		

Meeting Schedule	Next meeting: January 9th, 2020 (6:30 p.m.)	
Adjournment	The meeting was adjourned at 7:50pm Motion to adjourn : P. Gatsinos	P.Gatsinos