



School Council Meeting

Date: September 23, 2024

Members Present: Tamara B, Mubina, Tamara M, Margot, Nicole, Sandra, Jenn, John, Allison, Cam, Tania, Laura, Leslie		
Regrets:		
Call to Order: 10:14 am		
Agenda Item	Notes/Action Items	Person(s) Responsible
Welcome and Introductions	Introductions were made. Our new public health nurse, Margot Corbin attended the meeting.	
Review and Approval of Agenda	Agenda was announced during the meeting and approved.	All attendees
Review and approval of previous minutes		All attendees
HWDSB Land Acknowledgement	We acknowledge our presence on the shared territories of the Haudenosaunee Confederacy and the Mississauga's of the Credit First Nation. We recognize the long history of First Nations, Métis and Inuit Peoples of Canada and our shared responsibility to take care of the earth.	Mubina Panju/Tamara Baggio
Old Business	School grounds improvements: The Principal and school council members spearheading this endeavour will be meeting on October 10 th with facilities, city council members, and the school board to move forward with the school grounds improvements. TD Grant funds have already been approved for de-paving and creating green space.	
Teacher Report	Sports have begun: Volleyball, swim team and cross country. The school will be presenting a musical this year organized by Ms Carrington, Ms MacFarland and	Tamara M.

	Ms Sims. Grades 1-8 will be able to audition for roles.	
Principal Report:	<p>Reorganization is upon us. Students affected with be notified this week and new classes will begin next week, Sept 30th. We are gaining a grade 4 class, losing a grade 7 class. Our grade 8 class will become a grade 7/8 class. Our 5/6 class will become a straight 6 class and we are gaining another kindergarten class.</p> <p>Meet the Staff will be held on Oct 10. Food and refreshments will be sold. Craft activities will be held as well as a silent draw.</p> <p>“Be You. Be excellent.” continues to be our mission statement this school year. Staff have begun collecting data on student’s academic levels to help the school create their focus for the school improvement plan this year. The goal is to really help the students excel academically this year.</p> <p>Fundraising plan will direct funds to commencement activities and tech inventory for the school. The plan is to include pizza days (every other Tuesday, beginning on October 8th). Meet the staff (Oct 10th) will raise some money through food sales and a silent draw. We will draw up a roadmap for fundraising events from October-May to present at the October meeting.</p>	Mubina Panju/ Tamara Baggio
Chair Report		
Treasurer Report		
New Business	Elections were held. Co-Chair positions will be held by Sandra and Cam. Secretary position will be held by Tania. Treasurer position will be held by Nicole. Community member position will be held by Leslie. Home and School representative position will be held by Jenn. Our voting members are Laura, Allison, and John. Tamara M will be our teacher representative.	

	<p>John motioned to allowed interested parents and caregivers not present during the election the opportunity to become voting members of the council by showing commitment in the form of attending at least 2 consecutive school council meetings. Jenn seconds the motion, all in favour.</p> <p>Our new public health nurse, Margot Corbin, spoke of the plan to help the school community create and reach some substantial health goals this year, both physically and mentally. She is open to insight as to where students may be needing improvement that she can then implement into the health action team activities. Margot can be reached by phone: 905-973-3748 or by email: margot.corbin@hamilton.ca She will tentatively be available at the school on Thursday's.</p> <p>The Tastebuds nutrition program began the second week of school with the breakfast program (daily 8-8:30am), followed by the snack bin start up on week three. PCC funding was approved. We have plans to draw more students into the breakfast club by raising awareness to it with an email/newsletter or updating the front sign. We could reach out to the federal government for more volunteers to help.</p> <p>PRO grant and PEF will be open in November but we should be proactive about our intentions for these funds. In the past we had used this money to create a literacy workshop/package for parents and their children. We also used the PEF to bring parents together in our school kitchen to bake food they could bring home to their families. Meeting dates were determined: October 21, November 18, January 20, February 24, April 14, and May 12.</p>	
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Next Meeting Date/Time	October 21 st @ 10:10am	
Adjournment	11:27am	John 1 st Jenn 2 nd , all in favour.