



## Sir William Osler School Council Meeting Meeting Minutes

<b>Date of Meeting:</b>	January 16, 2025	<b>Time:</b>	6:00 PM EST
<b>Location:</b>	Sir William Osler Library		
<b>Attendees:</b>	14 Parents, Principal (Richelle Bratuz) and Vice Principal (Louise van der Put)		

<b>Agenda Items:</b>	<b>Topic:</b>	<b>Discussion:</b>	<b>Action By:</b>
1.	Introductions	Attendance List: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Rebecca Hoo</li> <li>• Tamara Deneault</li> <li>• Dane Pedersen</li> <li>• Lauren Beckett</li> <li>• Connie Brownhill</li> <li>• Breanne Blackburn</li> <li>• Sasha Pivarnyik</li> <li>• Amardeep Jagpal</li> <li>• Lech Szaja</li> <li>• Matt Adams</li> <li>• Barbara Inthavixay</li> <li>• Mike De Maria</li> <li>• Alexis Buettgen</li> <li>• Helena Booth</li> <li>• Richelle Bratuz</li> <li>• Louise van der Put</li> </ul>	N/A
2.	Approval of Minutes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Minutes were approved by Lauren and Helena</li> </ul>	N/A
3.	Parent reaching Out (PRO) Funding	SWO and Dundana Elementary School have decided to engage speaker Paul Davis, whose expertise lies in educating children and empowering parents on social networking, mental health and online safety. The event will be held on Friday, May 30th, at SWO at 6:00 PM. It will feature a 70-minute presentation followed by a Q&A session, open to all parents, caregivers, grandparents, and guardians from both schools.	N/A



		<p>The cost for his speaking engagement is \$1,158.25 per school, which includes travel expenses and HST.</p> <p>We received \$900 from HWDSB, leaving us with a shortfall of \$258.25. Currently, \$250 from our Parent Engagement Fund has been allocated for this year's school council childminding, leaving a remaining balance of \$250.</p> <p>The committee voted to utilize this remaining \$250 to cover the balance of the PRO initiative. This would leave a final shortfall of \$8.25, which the school will cover.</p>	
4.	Playground Update	<p>Parent Playground Committee Members:</p> <p>Monica Palkowski, Monica Novak, Anne Pederson, Dane Pederson, Lauren Beckett, and Connie Herbert</p> <p>Spring Action Plan (March – June):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Order mulch for Kinder Pen around tree and area by larger rocks near dismissal area on big field</li> <li>• Kindergarten cleanup date TBD: power washing, sweeping, general Spring cleaning</li> <li>• Green Day: tentatively April 26 to occur near Earth Day and before the SWO Open House <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Parents will be asked to bring gloves, shovels – weed, trim, and garbage pickup. Light refreshments and garbage bags will be provided.</li> <li>○ Committee to confirm time, how many people will be expected, and how many donations the subcommittee will be bringing (food, beverages, gloves, shovels etc.)</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Call out to School Council members for any contacts that members have for funding – some private companies may offer sponsorship for green initiatives</li> <li>• Poinsettia fundraiser raised \$480 for the Playground Committee</li> <li>• Suggestion to keep an ongoing document with contact information for fundraisers for the School Council next year <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Breanna volunteered to create a shareable document</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	Committee



5.	Grade 8 School Trip and Graduation Plans	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Date for the Grade Ceremony Dinner and Dance has been sent out to Grade 8 families: Monday June 23, 2025</li> <li>• Dundas Golf and Curling Club has been booked for the kids after the ceremony at the school – will include kid-friendly menu and buffet               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• This will be a drop-off event and children will be picked up at 9:30 pm</li> <li>• We can use the Golf Course's DJ or bring our own music/supply our own DJ</li> <li>• Potential for fundraising by the grade 8s to cover costs</li> <li>• Council suggested to plan activities at the golf course (photobooth, Jenga)</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Trip planning for the Grade 8 Grad Trip is still in progress – no date or location confirmed yet.</li> </ul>	RB
7.	Spring Basket Fundraiser	<p>Each classroom to create a themed basket – students and their families will be asked to contribute an item to the classroom basket. Tickets will be sold for each basket.</p> <p><u>Timeline:</u></p> <p>April 7– Classrooms will be assigned their theme ideas and have 2 weeks to collect the items.</p> <p>Baskets to be ready for the auction to take place May 8, 2025 during the school Open House. The draw will take place at the end of the night on May 8</p> <p>Please contact Sasha Pivarnyik to join the committee.  <a href="mailto:sasha321@hotmail.com">sasha321@hotmail.com</a></p> <p>Committee to create communication for the teachers to provide to the students and council to put the baskets together.</p>	SP
8.	Principal's Address and Teacher's Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Winter Concert had a good turn out from the community</li> <li>• School has continued to build on Colour Houses to grow school spirit and community – one assembly so far in December with a successful food drive</li> <li>• Yearbook prep has started, parents will be asked to let the school know if they do not want their child's picture in the yearbook</li> </ul>	RB



9.	Treasurer's Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Treasurer proposed to stop the child-minding during School Council Meeting as only two children attended the last meeting and no children attended today's meeting. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Committee voted for child minding to continue for the rest of the year</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Pizza Day \$19,000 in funds from this year (Sept – Jan YTD) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ These funds are used to assist Teacher initiatives</li> <li>○ Funds may be used for the purchase of folding chairs for the gym</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Popcorn \$1,000 in funds YTD</li> <li>• School Council \$1,958 in fund YTDs</li> <li>• \$150 donated misc. funds YTD</li> <li>• \$120 donated for technology TYD</li> <li>• \$100 donated for trip assistance YTD</li> <li>• Number not available for Subway and Rice n' Rolls</li> <li>• Square reader order still in progress- TBD</li> <li>• Rice n' Rolls is on School Cash Online but the prices are listed almost \$2 higher per item <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Committee suggested fundraising cost for each item to be \$1</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	RB, BB
10.	Other	<p>If you have any questions about school transportation (bus services) please send them to Matt Adams at <a href="mailto:md.adams@utoronto.ca">md.adams@utoronto.ca</a></p> <p>Connie proposed a Valentine's Day fundraiser selling frozen cookie dough drops through Terra Cotta Cookies. We would start ASAP and keep it open until Wednesday January 29th. 2 weeks is needed to prepare the order, so it would be delivered on Wednesday February 12th for parents to pick up from the school.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• We get 40% commission from each product purchased. The entire ordering process is online and run by Terra Cotta Cookies. All we must do is provide a link to the school community to make their purchases.</li> <li>• Purchasers can choose from 12 cookie dough flavours, including two gluten-free choices and a vegan option. Each box contains 40 x 20g pre-formed "dough drops".</li> <li>• Cookie Dough Drop Boxes are \$15.00 each, and Shortbread Gift Boxes are \$10.00 each.</li> </ul>	



11.	Next Meeting Date and Time	February 18, 2025	6:00 PM
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