



## Sir William Osler School Council Meeting Meeting Minutes

<b>Date of Meeting:</b>	April 1, 2025	<b>Time:</b>	6:00 PM EST
<b>Location:</b>	Sir William Osler Library		
<b>Attendees:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>10 Parents, 1 Community Representative (Lorraine Robinson), 1 Teacher Representative (Karen Wilkins), School VP (Louise Van der Put), School Principal (Richelle Bratuz)</li> </ul>		

<b>Agenda Items:</b>	<b>Topic:</b>	<b>Discussion:</b>	<b>Action By:</b>
1.	Introductions	Attendance List: (revise based on who attends) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Rebecca Hoo</li> <li>Lauren Beckett</li> <li>Connie Brownhill</li> <li>Breanne Blackburn (Virtual)</li> <li>Sasha Pivarnyik</li> <li>Matt Adams</li> <li>Sippy Shah (Virtual)</li> <li>Amardeep Jagpal</li> <li>Mike de Marie (Virtual)</li> <li>Dane Pederson</li> <li>Lorraine Robinson</li> <li>Karen Wilkins</li> <li>Louise Van der Put</li> <li>Richelle Bratuz</li> </ul>	N/A
2.	Approval of Minutes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Minutes were approved by Lauren and Tamara</li> </ul>	N/A
3.	Playground Update – Green Day	Committee Members:  Monica Palkowski, Monica Novak, Anne Pederson, Dane Pederson, Lauren Beckett, and Connie Herbert <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Green Day will occur April 26 morning 9:30 am – 12 noon</li> <li>May 3 rain date – will decide day before depending on weather conditions</li> </ul>	Committee



		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Posted on Facebook and sent via email blast to school community</li> <li>○ Louise confirmed that the Sand for sandbox can be sourced from non-HWDSB vendors (keep Rob in the loop)</li> <li>○ Physical flyer to be posted on school doors – next week – Louise</li> <li>○ Richelle shared info with staff so that they can incorporate with Earth Day activities</li> <li>○ Consider generating excitement to participate by offering Colour House points- Louise to determine next steps</li> <li>○ Custodian has been booked</li> </ul>	
4.	Spring Basket Fundraiser	<p>Committee Members:</p> <p>Sasha Pivarnyik, Tamara Deneault, Helena Booth, Breanne Blackburn</p> <p>Each classroom to create a themed basket – students and their families will be asked to contribute an item to the classroom basket and/or participate in the event in other ways (helping to bring the baskets down, organizing etc). Tickets will be sold and can be placed by in the basket of their choosing.</p> <p><u>Timeline/Actions:</u></p> <p>April 7 – 9 - Classrooms will be assigned their theme Sasha to complete final edit of communications including ideas/examples as well as ways families can participate without donating (help organize, generate excitement, bring the baskets down) and provide to Louise. There will be 24 baskets.</p> <p>April 11 – Parent communications and School Cash Online setup for ticket purchase – Committee + Louise</p> <p>April 14-25 – Item collection for baskets by classes, any questions from parents will be directed to Committee.</p> <p>April 25 – Basket contents to be delivered by classes to conference room</p>	Committee



		<p>April 26<sup>th</sup> - Committee to meet Saturday April 26<sup>th</sup> during Green Day in the conference room to sort baskets</p> <p>May 5 - Committee to meet to setup baskets for kids to view in library – (book fair will also be in the library) – baskets will be on display until the Open House.</p> <p>May 8<sup>th</sup> – Open House. Tickets can still be purchased by cash, (setup in Eagles’ Nest). Baskets draw will take place at end of night.</p> <p>May 9<sup>th</sup> - Winners announced by School Messenger</p> <p><u>Ticket Cost:</u></p> <p>\$2 each, 3 for \$5, Arm’s Length \$20</p>	
5.	Snack Program	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Collaboration with Dundas local businesses/ farms to provide nutritious snacks for SWO students in need.</li> <li>• Parent help will be required – track budget, determine how to get budget, organizing/logistics – timeline – next school year</li> <li>• Healthy snacks for everyone, available in prominent locations throughout the school</li> <li>• There was interest amongst the council members</li> <li>• Next steps <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Louise to invite TasteBuds to share details on how to run a program like this successfully for next council meeting</li> <li>○ Consider leveraging pizza day funds to budget this initiative</li> <li>○ Consider approaching Metro for donations/at cost snacks</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	RB
6.	Initiatives for Next Year	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Successful fundraising initiatives - Breanna</li> <li>• Communications calendar - Tamara</li> </ul>	Breanna, Tamara



7.	Principal's Address	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Board is implementing new process to get feedback from parents, Richelle will send feedback link/info to Rebecca who will send it to voting members</li> <li>• Confusion and lack of appetite for change due to abduction attempt last week have delayed plans to have parents pick up kids from the playground rather than from all areas around the school, will look to reimplement after Easter</li> <li>• POS units/Square readers – no new progress, being piloted across the board, and will likely have to go through an application process</li> </ul>	RB
8.	Teacher's Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Track dates for DVSS – moved to May 20, Grades 3-5 –</li> <li>• SWO has seen success recently with indoor track</li> <li>• Swim in progress</li> <li>• Junior Basketball in progress</li> <li>• Yearbook has begun, parents to get info soon, cover design contest</li> <li>• Grade 8 trip – 84 families so far, looking for at least 85 – very good participation</li> <li>• Donut day successful</li> <li>• TCBY fundraiser for Grade 8 trip in progress</li> <li>• Autism acceptance month – red/gold tomorrow</li> <li>• Chess club just began – grade 5/6 – Mr. Chin's class</li> <li>• Dungeons and Dragons 5- 8</li> <li>• Dane raised awareness of Francofest – Hamilton French Festival – June- something to consider participating in</li> <li>• DVSS grade 12 students help out SWO Gym – kids love it</li> <li>• The HWDSB's middle school Golf championship, Football, Cricket - waiting for bulletins to get more info</li> </ul>	KM
9.	Treasurer's Report	No updates	N/A
10.	Other	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Rebecca offered to share knowledge for anyone interested in chairing the council next year.</li> </ul>	RH
11.	Next Meeting Date and Time	May 13, 2025	6:00 PM