

PROUD SCHOOL OF HAMILTON-WENTWORTH DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

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School Council Meeting Agenda

Date: Tuesday Sept. 23rd, 2025

Co Chairs- Andrea Hitchcock & Fatema Bhabrawala Welcome and Land Acknowledgement Review and Approval of Minutes Review and Approval of current Agenda	 Welcome and land acknowledgement Review and approval of agenda: 1st Krishna, 2nd Laura Minutes from last meeting were approved via email.
Business from previous meeting	n/a
Principal's Report-	Regrets from VP- Melody Brandon Rooth was not in attendance Re-org - Projected 676, actual 652 students - Resulted in loss of/reduction of teachers - Ms.Andrego's grade 3 class split among other grade 3 classes and she moves to grade 4 Many split classes this year as a result. Splits will have some classes with peers and others combined Over 50 students were impacted by changes this year Changes will take effect October 3 rd If any questions/concerns, families can reach out Currently 7 portables, eventually 1 will be removed given numbers. October 14 School Council Startup - The HWDSB is holding its annual School Council Start-Up event on Tuesday, October 14, 2025, from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the HWDSB Education Centre, 20 Education Court. The event offers tips on running an effective school council, updates on the School Council Handbook, and information on roles, funds, involvement, and fundraising. A light dinner is served at 5:30





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p.m., and attendees were asked to RSVP by October 7, 2025, via a QR code or the link provided.

Fast Food:

- Students/families have been ordering fast food to the office – this is cumbersome and disruptive to class time and counter to the promotion of healthy lunches.
- Ask is that students bring healthy lunches from home – parents/caregivers, please pack lunches from home and refrain from ordering fast food to the school.
- Some older students have been ordering Uber Eats to the school on their phones – please discuss with your kids and promote packing healthy lunches from home.

Cashless Office:

- School is fully cashless now.
- All purchases including field trips must go through School Cash Online. Please do not send cash for field trips.

Buses:

 2 large and 3 small buses, roundabout is used for buses, please walk/bike to school where possible. If driving, please do not enter roundabout or front school driveway during drop-off/pick-up times, for safety of our students.

Today's Family Shade:

 Shade has been damaged/ripped by students who have been coming to the daycare play area outside of school hours and climbing on top of the shade. The cost of repair is daunting. The daycare relies on this shade to





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	ensure they can use this outdoor space for the kids. They have asked if we can make a post on the FB page regarding please treating our property with respect and care. Seeking Volunteers: During school hours (must have Vulnerable Sector Screening with last 6 months, Packages available in the office). Reading buddies for primary grades. Email school if interested: tiffanyhills.hwdsb.on.ca Safety Drills: Lockdown drill (1 will be tomorrow and 1 in the spring) Fire Drills: Sept 11 (3 in fall, 3 in spring) I hold and secure drill I bomb threat drill Parent Reaching Out Grant: Application due November 21 Grant is \$1000 Nutrition Grant: Board application for nutrition grant opens soon — will be applying for the school. \$1000 is sitting in an account for the school for nutrition. Taste Buds and Presidents Choice were sent. — continuing to follow up each year with TasteBudsThe school was not on the approved list for funding from Presidents Choice.
Teacher's Report- Ashley Buligan	No Teacher's Report this meeting
Treasurer's Report- Krishna Patel	 Rolled \$1036 over from last year. Donuts projected profit \$1400. Continuing to support apples in office.





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	 \$500 from Board to School Council. Apples every 2 weeks \$40 – approved 1st Laura, 2nd Fatema. Krishna will reserve \$500 from Krispy Kreme for this. Need to research cost for tent for school sports and find a vendor then vote on this. If anyone wanted to donate to Tiffany Hills, could do so through Hamilton Foundation for Student Success and note they would like directed to Tiffany Hills.
Chair's Report-	 Krispy Kreme: Cash Online September 8-12 \$15 per box, \$7 to school per box – 47% profit 206 boxes sold - \$1442 profit to school enhancements 4B won Pizza Party for selling most boxes – coordinating for next week with Ms.Martin. Pick up Thursday during Open House 5pm-6:30pm – must be picked up, we cannot store donuts that are not picked up. Hillay and Andrea will be picking up the 206 boxes from Krispy Kreme at 2pm and delivering them to school. Tables will be set up in front lobby for pick up along with School Council Banner and flyers for SC. Fatema and Andrea 4:45-5:45 Krishna, Trang, Andrea 5:45 to 6:45 *Ayaan may be able to come if needed, text her. Pizza: School Cash Online will begin after re-org – Oct 3 to Oct 15 – families must order by Oct 15. October 22 will be first pizza day.





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- Same prices as last year \$1.50 per slice (cheese or pepperoni), and we get \$1 per slice. Gluten free \$3 for 2 small slices.
- Will run for 9 weeks until Winter Break.

School Announcements:

 Families requesting more info on school announcements in particular related to extracurriculars. Can we put on school website? Ria to take this away.

School Dances:

- Teachers hosting Halloween dance will be on Oct 31
- Treats for kinders to grade 3 at nutrition break. Grades 4 and up during dance.

Grouping for outside recess time:

- This year grades 1-4 will be together and 5-8. (Last year was 4-8).

Spirit Wear:

 Suggestion to use a team store online where families can buy Spirit Wear anytime of year and will be delivered to home.

Fundraising:

- Fall Mums was completed in September teachers.
- Poinsettas will take place in Nov/Dec. Ms Bosma.
- Candy grams teachers.
- SC looking at Little Caesars, Terracotta cookie dough, Farm to table for Spring Fling (but feedback was that kids did not like the popcorn from Farm to Table). Hot dogs in slow cooker idea.
- 10 days allowed where we can sell food that is not in line with food guidelines.





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	 School Fundraising plan needs to be submitted in October. Donating to Charity: Would school be willing to run a fundraiser for another school with high needs during holidays? (ie grocery gift cards or backpacks again).
New Business	School Council Positions: - Krishna – appointed as Treasurer for 2025/2026 school year. - Andrea Hitchcock and Fatema Bhabrawala – appointed as Co-Chairs for 2025/2026 school year. - Laura Varga – Appointed as Secretary for 2025/2026 school year. - Louise Young was unable to attend today but as we have not met maximum of 15 voting members yet, she can join as voting member. Cell Phones: - Not to be used during nutrition breaks or anytime where there is not direct teacher supervision. Should only be used for school purposes or not at all during school hours. If any concerns that students are using during breaks, please reach out to school to discuss.
Next Meeting Date	October 14: 6:30pm to 7:30pm

