



# Yorkview Elementary School Council

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## SCHOOL COUNCIL MINUTES

**Monday, December 14, 2020**

**18:30 – 20:00**

**In attendance: Suzana, Roland, Hilary, Steve, Sabrina, Megan, Brent, Rebecca**

Item	Agenda	Presenter	Notes
1.1	Land Acknowledgement	Hilary	
1.2	Agenda & Minutes	All	Approved
3.1	YMCA	Stacey	Deferred
3.2	Dundas Valley Cooperative	Brianne	Deferred
3.3	Principal's Update	Suzana	<p>Thankful for a warm welcome from students, teachers, and parents.</p> <p>Some changes to <b>Emergency Plans</b>:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- All will gather in North field in the case of emergency evacuation. If need to go to evacuation location, all will travel together. Will have another secure school drill.</li> <li>- Have a new caretaker starting in January. It will be important to engage the caretaker in this drill. Details will be provided to the parents through various communication channels (website, social media).</li> <li>- Entry and exit – all Gr. 1-5 students will be moved to entering at the back. This will avoid children running past entry to open staircase. Will mean that</li> </ul> <p><b>Reading, mathematics, positive culture and well-being.</b> Data being collected now is new. Trying to fill the gaps to move from 'learning to read' to 'reading to learn'. Working on bringing in new literacy resources using the funds from School Council. Teachers excited to be able to use money for literacy resources.</p> <p><b>School culture:</b> Learn, disrupt, re-build- have finished first module. Moving forward with a positive school culture with an equity lens.</p> <p><b>Communication:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- School website</li> <li>- Twitter - @Yorkview_HWDSB</li> <li>- School photo day – Jan. 28<sup>th</sup></li> </ul>
3.4	Teacher's Update	Roland	<p>Teachers had a positive response in follow up to our last meeting. Staff were happy to know that parents are aware of the challenges the teachers are facing daily in the school.</p> <p><b>Would like to emphasize to parents to continue doing daily screening.</b></p>



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			<p>If parents receive a call home, please know that it is because protocols are being followed, that something has presented at school that has been deemed as necessary for follow up.</p> <p>As far as teachers are aware, school will be back in-person in January. School will let parents know if anything changes but currently expect return to in-person school after the break.</p> <p>Preference for administration re: reimbursements for literacy materials: one transaction with all receipts will reduce administrative workload.</p> <p><b>Spirit days</b> coming up this week:          Wednesday – Red and green day          Thursday – Holiday/crazy sweater and sock day          Friday – pyjama day          Friday – teachers are doing “party in a bag” that parents can send in for their own child to enjoy on that day.</p>
3.5	Fundraising	Sabrina/ Amy/ Lily	<p>Committee met and discussed spirit wear. No home pickup available but pick up would be in Dundas. Can explore if delivery option exists. Discussed Boston Pizza fundraiser based on takeout orders. Could explore this for the new year.</p> <p>Left message with Mason’s. Just need to pick a time (Feb./Mar.?).</p> <p>Discussed some consumable fundraisers but this would involve picking up items. Little Caesars – pizza kits, crazy bread, cookies. Suzana will follow up to explore if we have a go ahead for other fundraising activities.</p>
3.6	Budget	Megan	No update.
3.7	Environmental Stewardship	Steve	<p>Steve has been in touch with Green Venture re: the rain gardens. Keen to continue helping out. If we’re allowed to gather in the Spring, would be happy to organize a volunteer day. Have a \$700 credit at Garden Gallery that could be used. If teachers were supplied with a possible planting plans, the teachers might be keen to implement.</p> <p>One idea: planting tree seedlings that could then be sold to raise funds. Other classes could do things that could be harvested during the school year; others could do “showy” gardens that look really good. Low maintenance that could align with curriculum would be good. Steve and Roland will meet to discuss alignment between curriculum and ecology.</p>
3.8	Communications	Lily/Karen	Deferred
3.9	Advocacy	Karen	Deferred
3.10	Next meeting		<b>Monday, January 18, 2021</b>