

## Yorkview Elementary School Council

PROUD SCHOOL OF HAMILTON-WENTWORTH DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

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## SCHOOL COUNCIL MINUTES Monday, April 19, 2021

18:30 – 20:00

In attendance: Hilary Nolan Haupt, Karen Beattie, Suzana Milinovich, Amy Taylor, Sabrina Press, Roland Puppa, Steve Hill,

Lily Ernst, Rebecca Ganann, Madji Quotob

Regrets: Megan Medlock, Lily Ernst

Item	Agenda	Notes
1.1	Land	
	Acknowledgement	
1.2	Approval of	Approved
	Agenda & Minutes	
2.0	Standing Items	
2.1	YMCA	- Regrets. No report sent.
2.2	Dundas Valley	<ul> <li>Regrets sent but Brianna did want to let the group know that the DVC</li> </ul>
	Cooperative	remains open during the shift to virtual school.
2.3	Principal's Update	- All staff members expressed thanks to School Council and Yorkview families
	(Suzana)	for the appreciation lunch. Thank you to Amy for organizing.
		- Picture day – the composites won't be covered this year. The cost to receive
		a composite would be \$1.75/student.
		- Remote learning: all in remote learning as of Wed. Devices are prepared.
		Devices are ready for pickup tomorrow morning.
		<ul> <li>Remote learning should go similarly to last time. Mix of</li> </ul>
		asynchronous/synchronous learning. Some teachers are seeking input from
		families. Thank you to everyone for encouragement or support during this
		time. Karen offered to help with delivery of devices if help is needed.
2.4	Teacher Update	- Teachers/staff really appreciated the appreciation lunch. A lot of the staff
	(Roland)	could enjoy it in the format that was ordered.
		- Appreciate families' support. Children's mental and physical health is the
		priority. Families should focus on childrens'/families' well-being. No
		judgment on part of teachers if children are unable to attend. As much as
		this is tougher for everyone, this shift to virtual is important for maintaining physical health.
		- Appreciation expressed for the move to virtual school for the health of the
		school community (teachers, staff, students).
		- Administrative appreciation week this week – teachers expressed
		appreciation for support from Suzana, Laura, Linda.
2.5	Fundraising	- Because of generous donation from Keith/Elaine, there were funds leftover.
	(Sabrina/Amy/Lily)	Is there something else that we could do as staff appreciation? If not back
		in school before the end of the year, could save for the end of the year to
		do coffee/snacks for staff at that time. Amy will hold those funds until this
		activity can be arranged.





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2.6	Budget (Megan/Hilary)  Line painting on pavement,	<ul> <li>Suzana was going to connect with Facilities Management re: timeline and costs (Est. \$3500) for line painting on pavement. Some costs may be covered by Facilities.</li> <li>Suzana and Roland will connect with staff to finalize plan. Suzana can explore this in the upcoming week. Once final diagram nailed down,</li> </ul>
	carrying over	diagram will be shared with Megan to see if they may be able to implement
	funds for fire retardant mulch	or possibly help with securing the paint.  - We also need to purchase new fire-retardant mulch. Discussed possibility of attempting to fluff mulch to see if we need it this September or can hold off for another year
		<ul> <li>Discussed suggestion that School Council cover cost of school composites for all students (n=148; ~\$300 total). If funds allow in the budget, then School Council agrees to support this, in concept. Budget summary will be shared</li> </ul>
2.7	Environmental Stewardship (Steve/Hilary) Volunteers vs.	- Grant application submitted. Anticipate hearing in Aug. for 2021-2022-2023 years. If successful, Steve will act as the project coordinator; Hilary, Sabrina, Roland, and Rebecca (and any others interested) will comprise the committee to support Steve.
	teachers planting boxes given the current landscape	<ul> <li>If Hilary is willing to plant the boxes, together with her sister, who has extensive gardening/raised bed expertise. Steve also has expertise. Willing to do virtual visit to classrooms.</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>Enthusiasm on the part of teachers. Some have expressed a desire to plant/maintain their garden, however, others may appreciate</li> </ul>
		help/guidance. Karen shared pictures of some students planting, weeding, maintaining some gardens.
		- Thank you to Steve for his leadership on the grant submission.
2.8	Communications/	- Karen will post information on the Facebook page to remind people that
	Advocacy	they can donate their points from the Garden Gallery to Yorkview. Points
	(Karen/Lily)	can be directly donated by saying the phone number is 777-7777. Existing
		points can also be converted to Yorkview points.
		- For parents who ordered to have pictures delivered to the school, Suzana
		will connect with those families to arrange for pickup Picture re-take day will likely be re-scheduled.
2.9	Next Meeting:	Monday, May 17, 2021
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