



# Yorkview Elementary School Council

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## SCHOOL COUNCIL MINUTES

**Monday, Sept. 26, 2022**

**18:00 – 19:30**

**In attendance:** Suzana Milinovich, Roland Puppa, Sabrina Press, Karen Beattie, Rebecca Ganann, Steve Hill, Alicia Dosi, Taya Dzaman

**Regrets:** Majdi Qutob

Item	Agenda	Notes
1.1	Welcome and Land Acknowledgement	
1.2	Approval of Agenda & Minutes	Approved
2.1	Elections: 2022-2023 School Council Representatives	Co-Chairs: Sabrina Press, Karen Beattie Secretary/back up: Alicia Dosi, Rebecca Ganann Treasurer: Taya Dzaman Communications: Karen Beattie Environmental stewardship: Steve Hill
3.3	Principal's Update	<p>Suzana welcomed and provided an overview of school start-up.</p> <p><b>Ways to for parents to stay connected with Yorkview:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Communicate with child's teacher</li> <li>• Subscribe to website</li> <li>• Follow on Twitter</li> <li>• School Messenger – ensure your email address is up-to-date</li> <li>• For School Council – like/follow page on Facebook (Yorkview Elementary School)</li> </ul> <p><b>Great start-up so far</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Teachers have been focused on creating classroom communities, positive school culture, positive well-being</li> <li>•</li> </ul> <p><b>STEM Room-Creating a new learning space as an addition to the Library/Learning Commons</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Focus on 4C's             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Creative thinking</li> <li>○ Critical thinking</li> <li>○ Collaboration</li> <li>○ Citizenship</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p><b>Updates to school environment</b></p>



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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ventilation project – completed</li> <li>• Bathrooms updated, stairways near completion</li> </ul> <p><b>Play structure</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Use was on pause – now in use</li> <li>• Thank you to Sabrina and Taya for their work to weed the playground!</li> <li>• Looking into Eco Rubber project with rubber flooring underneath</li> </ul> <p><b>Blacktop</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Has existing damage which was caused during ventilation system upgrades</li> <li>- Suzana waiting to hear back about remediation plan late Sept.</li> <li>- Plan is to fix and re-paint</li> <li>- Superintendent is involved</li> </ul> <p><b>Basketball nets</b> – Roland is buying extra mesh</p> <p><b>Dogs on property</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Dog waste is an ongoing issue             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Request – that all community members are reminded to pick up after their dog</li> <li>○ New signage will be posted</li> <li>○ Reminders on Facebook</li> </ul> </li> <li>- Parents are reminded to ensure that their dogs are kept with sufficient space away from arriving/departing students at drop off/pick up</li> </ul> <p><b>Meet the educator night</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- 5-6:30 pm</li> <li>- Scholastic book fair will be held in gym – cash/credit             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Virtual purchases also available</li> <li>○ Children will have chance to preview during day</li> <li>○ Fundraising for learning commons &amp; STEM room</li> </ul> </li> <li>- Pizza available through A1             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Pre-orders on SchoolCashOnline</li> <li>○ Some available for purchase on day</li> <li>○ Roma pizza for those with life threatening allergy</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p><b>Fundraising</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Pizza days starting again             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Flyer re: weekly pizza order will be circulated to families</li> <li>○ Thursdays at 2<sup>nd</sup> nutrition break starting after Thanksgiving</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Sign up by term or full year</li> <li>- Popcorn (school fundraiser) – will be sold out of the office             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Purchase through SchoolCashOnline</li> </ul> </li> <li>- Fresh From the Farm             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ One-time order – submitted by Oct. 12<sup>th</sup></li> <li>○ 40% of sales go to school</li> <li>○ 50% to farmer</li> <li>○ Veg bundles \$22, apple bundles \$24 for 8lb.</li> <li>○ Buy for you, buy for your community options</li> </ul> </li> <li>- Planned fundraisers (upcoming)             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ TCBY – hold off until Spring</li> <li>○ Boston Pizza fundraiser – November?</li> <li>○ Christmas market</li> <li>○ Dance-a-thon</li> <li>○ Spirit wear – t-shirts, hoodies, possibly sweatpants</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>Pink shirt day – usually 3X/year (one will be Feb. 22, 2023)</p> <p>Orange shirt day – Sept. 30, 2022</p> <p>Purchases for Council – need to sign out credit card; reimbursements with receipts no longer procedure</p> <p>Cash Float – needs to be signed out of Board</p> <p><b>Volunteers</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Need to complete vulnerable sector check through police department – takes time for approval to come back – plan ahead for future events</li> </ul> <p><b>Halloween parade</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Will take place in the morning</li> </ul>
3.4	Teacher Update	<p>Roland also expressed thanks to Sabrina and Taya for playground clean up, on behalf of kids/teachers.</p> <p>Cross country season underway</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- 2-3 practices/week</li> <li>- Grades 3-5 that can run the whole distance will be able to go to city-wide meet (Oct. 13<sup>th</sup>)             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Need two parent marshalls to be able to go as a school</li> <li>○ \$5 charge for bus/student, subsidized through School Council</li> </ul> </li> </ul>



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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- All students will be able to participate in Yorkview meet               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Ribbons for participants, medals for Gr. 3-5 (R&amp;M engraving)</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>Soccer season – starts Sept. 27<sup>th</sup></p>
3.5	Fundraising Plan	<p>Suzana will send fundraising plan</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Fundraising targets include:</li> <li>- Learning commons ideas               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Circuits, robots, OSMO, green screen, winter gardening</li> </ul> </li> <li>- Quiet room/STEM room               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Lighting, sensory, bubble tubes, comfortable seating</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
3.7	Environmental Stewardship	<p><b>Garden Centre points (Garden Gallery)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Parents can continue to donate their points to the school</li> <li>- School is developing a plan for use of these points – potential uses discussed included updating front gardens</li> <li>- Planning for winter gardens that can be transitioned outside in spring</li> </ul> <p><b>Seed library</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Will be installed soon</li> </ul> <p><b>Grant</b> (previously secured) – Steve is preparing report on use of funds</p>
4.0	Future meeting dates	3 <sup>rd</sup> Monday of each month from 6:00-7:30pm