

ADRIENNE CLARKSON PUBLIC SCHOOL
68 QUEENS COLLEGE DRIVE, RICHMOND HILL, ON
SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING – MONDAY, NOVEMBER 6th, 2023 7:00 PM

ATTENDEES:

Nadia Russiello, Bryan Gerson, Lorrie-Anne Lauder, Roxanne Lawson, Nika Daei, Lisa Der, Abbas Akhavan, Yoonie Kim, Trish Tay, Jolyn Commisso, Alanna McNee-Trinidad, Aileen Guan, Elnaz Golestani, Jenn Ingram, Jane Park, Trina Hoadley-Seaforth, Erika Golden, Minran Li, Apple Lin, Sophia Sun, Ying Tomaso, Maryam Rouzbahani, Julie Cinamon, Shandy Harricharrandas, Joanna Leung, Vicki Wang, Ana Berstein, Ning Xue

REGRETS:

Mel Cheng, Pedram Madahian, Dragan Stojanovic, Cathy Hu

- **CHAIR'S WELCOME** **(Nika & Lisa)**
 - Welcome to everyone, thank you for being here.

- **APPROVAL OF OCTOBER MEETING MINUTES**
 - Alanna & Jane approved the minutes.

- **PRINCIPAL'S REPORT** **(Nadia)**
 - Family-Teacher Interviews
 - The evening of November 16th and the morning of November 17th.
 - Progress Reports
 - Will be sent home electronically beginning November 9th.
 - Download because the link will expire after some time.
 - Grade 3 Gifted Screening
 - Letter will be sent home to Grade 3 families next week.
 - Screening takes place late November 27th to December 1st.
 - Grade 8 Fundraisers
 - To help subsidize the Grad Trip (Ottawa) and Graduation.
 - Dance
 - Popcorn
 - Cookies
 - EQAO Results
 - Grade 3s only write Math in French, Grade 6s write in English Reading, Writing & Math.
 - Is it possible that we are below board average because of the French?
 - Grade 3 teachers are looking at the results and vocabulary may play a key role.
 - Once they answer a online question, a star goes in the spot, doesn't mean that it's correct – could be misleading.
 - Grade 3s may not go back and check their work, since they see the "star".
 - Percentage of students at or above Provincial Standard.
 - Implementing "Math Up" to support classrooms.
 - Grade 3 Mathematics

- School 65.3%
- Board 70.7%
- Province 59.7%

- Grade 6 Reading
 - School 96.8%
 - Board 88.2%
 - Province 83.7%
- Grade 6 Writing
 - School 100%
 - Board 90%
 - Province 83.6%
- Grade 6 Mathematics
 - School 71.4%
 - Board 63.8%
 - Province 49.5%
- Staffing
 - Mme Bianchi will be returning from leave (November 20th).
 - Mme Muralidharan will be leaving.

- **TEACHER'S REPORT**

(Mme Lauder)

- Forrest of Reading starting for Juniors (English book program).
- Take Me Outside Day (Eco Team)
- Cross Country: 55 went to areas, 50 went to Regionals.
- Tomorrow is boys Volleyball, girls is Wednesday.
- Scholastic Book Fair is next week.
 - Asking Teachers for a Wish List if Parents want to donate.
 - Open during Interview Evening.
 - Students will have an opportunity to browse, then make purchases.
 - Robotics Club
 - Grades 6-8.
 - Preparing for competition in January.
 - Thank you to Parent Council – they may ask for more money.

- **TREASURER REPORT & PRESENTING OF NEW BUDGET**

(Abbas & Yoonie)

- Explanation of Budget, what the council will be paying for.
- Voting on Budget.
- Budget Approved.

SCHOOL COUNCIL WORKING BUDGET 2023-2024
Projected Program Revenues and Expenses

Executive Meeting
 October 19, 2023

ESTIMATED

Opening Balance @ Sep 5/23	Opening Bal	Expenses	Transfers	Balance	
School Council BBQ*	\$3,370.00	\$0.00	\$130.00	\$3,500.00	B
School Council General	\$10,078.32	\$3,517.00	-\$130.00	\$6,431.32	
Total Cash				\$9,931.32	A
Estimated Net Revenues		Revenues	Costs	Net	
Estimated Program Funds Generated					
Pizza Term 1 (Oct 13 - Jan 26)		\$24,089.30	\$11,438.00	\$12,651.30	
Pizza Term 2 (Feb 9 - Jun 21)**		\$36,112.05	\$17,676.91	\$18,435.14	
Kome Lunch Session 1 (Nov 8 - Jan 24)**		\$10,306.25	\$8,075.00	\$2,231.25	
Kome Lunch Session 2 (Jan 31 - Apr 10)**		\$10,718.50	\$8,398.00	\$2,320.50	
Kome Lunch Session 3 (Apr 17 - Jun 19)**		\$10,718.50	\$8,398.00	\$2,320.50	
Other Fundraisers					
Frozen Yogurt (22/23 6WKS profit \$1,000)				\$0.00	
Terra Cotta Cookie Dough???				\$0.00	
Donation Drive (no longer an option)				\$0.00	
Flip Give (no longer an option)				\$0.00	
Estimated Net Revenues		\$91,944.60	\$53,985.91	\$37,958.69	C
Estimated Available to Spend (BBQ Deposit Excluded)				\$44,390.01	D=A+C-B

School Council Supports	22/23 Actuals	23/24 Budgeted	
<u>School-Wide Activites:</u>			
Athletics	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00	
Library	\$2,000.00	\$3,000.00	
Programs Activites guests	\$6,000.00	\$6,000.00	
Cruisers Sports & Curling/Lacrosse	\$4,750.00	\$5,000.00	
Field Trips (\$5/student)	\$1,890.00	\$2,850.00	
School Grounds Fund	\$500.00	\$500.00	
Basketball net and playground equipment repairs		\$1,500.00	
Eco School Initiatives	\$257.05	\$500.00	
Mental Health Fair	\$437.45	\$500.00	
<u>In-Class Supports:</u>			
Arts - school instruments	\$2,000.00	\$4,000.00	
In-class technology supports* (extra curricular only)	\$3,000.00	\$1,000.00	
Agendas: 100% Contribution (24/25 school year)	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00	
Classroom Resources (\$150/ class @ 24 classes)	\$2,451.67	\$3,600.00	
<u>Student Wellness:</u>			
Balls for outdoor play	\$500.00	\$500.00	
Grade 8 Graduation	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	
Student Subsidy Fund	\$434.00	\$1,000.00	
Student Events and Competition	\$500.00	\$1,500.00	
You Are the Chef Program		\$1,000.00	
Grade 8 community involvement award	\$336.67	\$300.00	
Total Spend	\$32,056.84	\$39,750.00	E

Funds Available at Year End	\$4,640.01	F=D-E
Total Funds Available + BBQ Deposit	\$8,140.01	F+B

* Allocated to \$3,500 for simplicity

** Estimated

*** Hot lunch revenues: after 3% School Cash fees

- **FUNDRAISING INITIATIVES**

(Elnaz)

- Some ideas for Fundraising:
 - Terra Cotta Cookies Co.
 - Not available until after Christmas, into the New Year.
 - Possibly in the Spring.
 - Art Cards
 - Yard Sale/Book Sale
 - Read-At-Home
 - Sign-Up, Kids read and collect donations.
 - Perhaps set up a workshop that parents can attend virtually, children's register.
 - Nadia suggests that Elnaz gather a team who can work on fundraising initiatives to come up with some ideas.
 - Question, can we have a sale that collects cash? We are only to use School CashOnline
 - Elnaz will organize a sub-committee.

- **PIZZA / HOT LUNCH UPDATE**

(Ying)

- Pizza Lunch started Oct. 13 and runs until Jan. 26.
- 365 orders which is good for us.
- 125 orders for Kome, which is good.
- Starts this Wednesday.
- A lot of volunteers this year.
- We make \$2 per order; we wanted the same order every week (fixed menu).
- The vendor suggested we try a rotating menu and see how it goes.
- Question about how to obtain feedback about the program.
- Perhaps send a survey to the 125 families who ordered in week 5 to determine if we go ahead with another term.

- **PROGRAMS INITIATIVES**

(Jane & Jenn)

- Number of programs booked for this year:
 - Dufflebag Theatre (Grades 1-3)
 - Capoeira (Grades 7-8)
 - David Lane Beatboxing (Grades 4-6)
 - Jay Vs World (Grades 4-6)
 - Lion Dance Committee (Grades 1-8)
 - Indigenous Author Visit
 - Steel Drums
- School Council is funding some of these events through Program Activities, separate from Cruisers.
- We can also look at PRO-Grant and what we can use the funds for (using about Racism).
- Idea of having a Coffee & Chat to gage Community Voice.
- It must fit the criteria to access the grant money.
- There was a thought of offering different speakers, presenting in different languages about the topics such as Racism, Mental Health.

- Can we send a survey to find out what others would be interested in?
- Are field trips happening? Some classes are looking into it, costs have gone up.
- Swan Lake is for Grades 2, 4, 7.
- Should we increase the cost for each kid? Budget is already voted on.

- **OTHER BUSINESS**

- School Council Policy Video & Reflection Activity
 - Due to time constraints, we will discuss this at a future meeting.
- School Council Forum Sharing
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- Principal Profile Update
 - Nadia handed out the hard copy of the Principal Profile.
 - She can also send a soft copy to Nika and Lisa to share.
 - Need to submit this in January with any feedback.
- BBQ Date
 - Thursday, June 13th, 2024.
- Grade 8 Trip
 - Due to time constraints, we will discuss this at another meeting.

- **NEXT MEETING :** **January 17th, 2024**