

CPPS School Advisory Council Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, January 20, 6:30pm

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Attendees:

- Central Park: Alison Hall, Joanne Lomanno-Aprile, Kimberly Stolys
- Council Members: Aya Anderson, James Weir, Lucas Chang
- Parents: Baron Chen, Beth Lau, Charline Ramgotra, Edwin Cai, Gillian Liu, Hanna Wei, Helen Hui, Jill Chen, Judy Chang, Junji Zhang, Mohamed Damji, Rubina Damji, Weidong Zhang, William Lau

Topic	Key Discussion Points (Above and Beyond Content in Slides)	Key Decisions, Actions and Requests
Treasurer's Update	Hearty agreement all 'round.	N/A
Principal's Update (general comments)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Playground has been covered in ice, so students have been kept indoors for safety over the past couple of weeks. Keep in mind, if the temperature dips below -18C, the children will be kept inside • Recent activities underway: Winter Activities Day, basketball and volleyball teams, preparation for the April drama production • Spirit Eagles have started Peer Tutors - older students are spending time on Tuesdays tutoring younger students • Lunchtime robotics program will start on Jan 26 	N/A
Relationships	No updates	N/A
Playground Enhancements	No updates	N/A
Grade 8 Grad	Planning for ceremonies (teachers), celebration (parents) and yearbook (teachers) will begin soon	Any interested parent volunteers should contact Charline and Dave V
Pizza and Sub Days	One child doesn't like lettuce, tomatoes, cheese or lunch meats. Otherwise, things have been good.	Any interested parent volunteers (to volunteer to distribute pizza / subs) should contact Jenny
Fundraising	<p>Opportunity to expand fundraising efforts – no "fundraising lead"</p> <p>That said, many parents appreciate the upfront IIE, and wouldn't appreciate repeated campaigns - be sensitive to this balance (and need to tie any additional fundraising efforts to specific and tangible)</p> <p>The possibility of raising funds for Grade 8 Grad came up – no conclusion, but a good idea to consider</p>	Any interested parent volunteers (to lead fundraising) should contact Lucas

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STEAM	<p>Proposal to start a Lego robotics club is being discussed. In the meantime, check out these videos to acquaint yourself with Lego robotics and First Lego League:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lego Robotics Overview <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ EV3 introduction: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Unjiv0oBcV0 ○ Example of Lego robotics programming (28 - EV3 Programming: Inverted and Unregulated Motor Blocks): https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FFx1SEXTUd0&list=PLJ9p4vPU79w6iL8YHyGgAMIEq5Iz4gZnO ○ Lego Mindstorms EV3 Programmer app: https://itunes.apple.com/us/app/lego-mindstorms-ev3-programmer/id1039354955?ls=1&mt=8 • First Lego League (FLL) Overview <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ FLL Canada: http://www.firstroboticscanada.org/main/ ○ What is FLL: https://www.dropbox.com/s/88ohql6o9c74ftm/What%20is%20FLL%3F.m4v?dl=0 ○ Interviews with FLL teams: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zKGF88HFIO ○ Robot games (First Lego League (FLL) 2015 World Class Run): https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dJSeMeAGmXE ○ Robot games: (FLL 2015 Trash Trek Robot Game First & Second Run): https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LqKUFHclHGU ○ Project innovation - the Classy Cyborgs FLL team from Aurora: https://vimeo.com/118857170 	Alison, Joanne, Kim, Lucas and Sterg to finalize details
Understanding the EQAO Assessment	<p>Great session – thanks Kim</p> <p>More info and resources: http://www.eqao.com/Pages/launch.aspx</p>	N/A

- Next meeting: February 10 (6:30pm to 8:30pm)
- Special workshop: Wednesday March 9 (6:30pm to 8pm): Supporting your child in mathematics
 - Help parents and caregivers understand what you can do at home to develop problem solving skills and foster a positive disposition towards mathematics