

## School Council Virtual Meeting (7pm – 8pm): Oct. 8, 2021 MINUTES

Present at the meeting: Rosanna Totino (principal), Melony Connor, Michelle Chislett, Lisa Salemi, Sina Ostadhashem, Mike Damtsis (teacher rep)

1. Introductions and land acknowledgment, review of agenda - 7:00 – 7:10
2. Principal and Teacher Update: 7:10 – 7:27

### Principal Update:

- reorganization required to meet compliance. Additional staffing to open up an SK/1 Class. Some shifts in class sizes up to Grade 6. 464 students. 22 homeroom classes. 26 students are learning remotely
- health and safety – screening tool still required, however, online submission no longer required before student arrives to school. Masking, hand hygiene, physical distancing still in place, as well as cleaning policies by caretaking staff.
- Safety week was last week: fire drill, lock down drill, hold and secure – modified for Covid
- no lunch programs yet

### Teacher Update:

- One Small Thing Campaign to address mental health – magnets distributed with positive quotes, statements, etc.
  - The ABCs of Mental Health – lesson series provided by the board – 3 lessons max. which addresses mental health and well being
  - Recess cohorts changed to allow 2 classes to be together at recess – before, it was one, so their social circle at recess has slightly increased in size
  - Extra-curricular – are they allowed? Yes – up to staff to run them. With learning hybrid, shifts in teaching assignments, etc., teachers haven't yet had an opportunity to start anything for extra-curricular
  - Terry Fox events will move forward – details to come
3. Elections: 7:27 – 7:39
    - Families received start up forms which included School Council Forms: chair, treasurer, secretary
    - Chair: Lisa Salemi and Michelle Chislett
    - Treasurer: Sandra Jenkins
    - Secretary: Sina Ostadhashem
    - Fundraising – Melony Connor
  4. Consultation on Policy #238 and #262: 7:39 – 8:13
    - Policies undergo reviews to see if changes need to be made
    - Parent family and engagement policy and the school councils policy are to be reviewed
    - Rosanna populated the policies in the chat box for us to read/review – online survey to be completed after review

Next Meeting Nov. 22 @ 7pm