

THURSDAY DECEMBER 7, 2023  
6:00 – 7:30 P.M.

## School Council Meeting Norms

- \*Begin and end meetings on time
- \*Speak and listen to one another respectfully
- \*Recognize and value the diversity of opinions



## DONALD COUSENS PUBLIC SCHOOL SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

### Attendees

**DCPS Staff:** Sean Yao (Principal), Paula Campbell (Vice-Principal), Sheila Ducheck (Teacher)

**Parents:** Brenda Adebajo, Akalya Balasubramaniam, Charmaine Chung, Cynthia Yan, Cassidy Wong and Navneet Rehal

### Welcome/Sign in

Welcome and Attendance

Approval of the Agenda

### Financial Report – (Mr. Yao):

- Opening balance carried over from last meeting: \$1000
- Cookie Dough Revenue - Cookie Dough Cost = Cookie Dough Profit  
(\$4900.44 - \$3632.25 = \$1268.19)
- Closing balance at end of meeting = \$1000 + \$1268.19 → **\$2268.19**

### Admin and Staff Report – Ms. Campbell, Ms. Ducheck, Mr. Yao

1. Intermediate volleyball done. Now onto Junior volleyball and basketball.
2. Mental Health Club was just formed. Now going to each classroom and educating other students on what the club is about.
3. Eco clubs are in full swing. Eco Crew would like to come to our next meeting (Jan. 11) to talk more about what they're working on.
4. Robotics club.
5. Yearbook has started. This is for Grade 8's.
6. Movie Night is coming up on Dec. 14. Movie is "Elemental". Tickets are available to reserve on SCO. Student Council will be volunteering to sell snacks and organize event.
7. Healthy School Grant was approved. Partnering with Public Health to work on presentations to families re: bike and walking safety.
8. For the next round of school lunches, there will be a few additions.
  - Monday - Japanese food (Kome Shokudo)
  - Tuesday - Pizza (cheese and pepperoni)
  - Wednesday - Kid's Kitchen
  - Thursday - Hero Burger
  - Friday - Bento Sushi; bubble tea alternate weeks, with lower sugar content (30%)

### Fundraising Goals (in order)

1. Grade 8 Graduation (\$2000) - now met due to profit from Cookie Dough Fundraiser

2. DCPS-branded Pop-Up Canopy/Tent/Gazebo on wheels for transport (~\$1500); Mr. Yao to ask for estimate via Ms. Weller
3. Indigenous Artist Learning and Mural Subsidy (\$2000)
4. Technology - 1 wall-mounted LCD projector package (\$3500)

### **Upcoming Fundraising Initiatives**

1. Direct Donation - duration to be confirmed (and when to end the drive; ~March Break)
2. Winter Arts Night, K-3 (tentatively scheduled for Jan. 25) - can sell refreshments and raffle tickets for "Best Seat in the House".

### **Family Engagement/ PRO Grant**

#### **Family Night**

- o Confirmed for Feb 22, 2024
- o Mental wellness themed
- o In the library - quiet activities such as mindfulness/breathing activities, colouring, yoga
- o In the gym - family sports, karate/martial arts
- o Outdoor - Eco club led
- o Mr. Yao to supply approved list of presenters to School Council.
- o Can get volunteers from Student Council, Mental Health club, Eco club
- o If this is linked together with the PRO Grant, will need to invite a speaker to support with learning that includes identity-affirming care and/or wellness for marginalized communities.

#### **Fun Fair**

Suggestion to make this a BBQ Games Night

- o Tentatively slated for June 13/14, 2024
- o Mr. Yao asking M&M Meat Shops whether they're available
- o Need to check approved vendors in terms of the materials for games, advertising, etc.

#### **Next School Council Meeting:**

1. January 11, 2024

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