#### SCHOOL COUNCIL NORMS

- A respectful environment
- Be present and actively engaged
- Be open-minded
- Adhere to all timelines

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## DONALD COUSENS PUBLIC SCHOOL SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

#### **Attendees**

DCPS Staff: Tina Diavolitsis (Principal), Shelley Hobor (Vice-

Principal) Parents:

Format: Online – MS Teams Meeting

#### Welcome/Sign in

#### Administrator's Report - Tina Diavolitsis and Shelly Hobor

- Welcomed new families to the school
- Discussed Covid protocols at school, staggered entry, cohorts and new screening confirmation process
- Discussed re-organization process and support of families during this time
- Shared the process for how students are sent home when displaying symptoms of Covid and the need for parents to provide proof of covid results Paper copy or screenshot can be sent to the school email account or to tina.diavolitsis@yrdsb.ca or shelley.hobor@yrdsb.ca
- Discussed merits and challenges of Hybrid Model-need for older students to bring own technology if they can-school working on purchase of additional laptops.
- Shared that agendas are distributed to students whose teachers wish to use them but if students would like one to use and record homework they may come to the office
- Parents expressed need for teachers to communicate with families what students are learning in every subject area and to communicate due dates for assignments. Would like to know how to best communicate with teachers as well (email versus Phone)
- Admin team shared the need to put fundraising on pause for now due to strain on families. We can consider if we wish to have evening information sessions however, that are free to families.
- Library is now open to all students and may borrow a book
- Shelley shared the schoolyard enhancement project initiative to repaint and update yard graphics with culturally relevant designs as well as the healthy snack program and spirit wear
- Elections were held after nominees shared brief description of themselves

#### Congratulations to our new School Council Executive!

- Akalya Balasubramaniam-Chair
- Noorin Vellani-Co-Chair
- Elva Sun-Treasurer
- Christy Chen-Secretary

#### <u>Upcoming School Council Meetings – 2021-2022:</u>

- 1. Wednesday, October 6, 2021
- 2. Wednesday, November 3, 2021 (must hold this date as the 10<sup>th</sup> is School Council Forum)
- 3. Wednesday, February 9, 2021
- 4. Wednesday, April 6, 2021

### All meetings are from 6:30 pm to 7:30 pm