

WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 25, 2020  
6:30 – 7:30 PM

## *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:** Tina Diavolitsis (Principal), Shelley Hobor (Vice-Principal)

**Parents:** Akayla Balasubramaniam, Ritu Sharma, Anindita Bontha, Christy Chen, Hongyu Bu, Sana Khan, Govind Rehal, Anil, Constance Mazaiwana, Ivy, IC, Maureen Ramanan,

**Format:** Online - go to meeting

### **Welcome/Sign in/Review Minutes**

Ritu Sharma welcome message

Meeting minutes from October meeting approved

**Administrator's Report** – Tina Diavolitsis, Principal  
Shelley Hobor, Vice Principal

1. Graduation ceremony materials come out on Nov 18
2. Progress report cards available online in mid-Nov
3. Gifted screening process started
4. Science workshop and author online virtual meet
5. G6 online safety virtual sessions
6. Daily recess focuses on engaging students but scaled back recently due to covid situation

**Treasurer's Report** – Sana Khan  
Current balance: \$4811.29

### **Discussion Items related to parent-school-community engagement** – parent council

1. Coffee Connect/Chai & Chat  
Tina & Shelly suggested that we can pre set an agenda and the event can be expanded to virtual families.
2. Visibility in the monthly newsletter  
Tina commented that there is no formal newsletter from the school, but through e-broadcast. We should pay attention to some privacy issues when doing the "shoutouts". Instagram can be set up. And the shoutouts can include virtual families.
3. Fun edited video

Tina commented that a lot of work is required to collect permission forms from families, so the council agreed to drop this item.

4. Wellness days

Shelly suggested that we can make this as one topic under the Chai & Chat umbrella.

5. Funding raising through FlipGive during the holiday season

Tina will provide feedbacks on this after the meeting as she was disconnected from the meeting.

**Upcoming School Council Meetings – 2020-2021:**

1. Wednesday January 20, 2021

2. Wednesday February 17, 2021

3. Wednesday May 5, 2021

All meetings will be held from 630 pm to 730 pm