

School Council
Meeting
October 10th, 7:15-8:15

Acknowledgment of the Land

We affirm that we are all treaty people and acknowledge that the York Region District School Board is located on the lands of two treaties. These treaties have been signed with the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation and the First Nations of the Williams Treaties who are: the Mississaugas of Alderville, Curve Lake, Hiawatha, Scugog Island; and the Chippewas of Beausoleil, Rama, and Georgina Island who is our closest neighbour and partner in education.

To honour this agreement we will take up our responsibility to be respectful of their traditions, knowledge and inherent rights as sovereign nations. We will respect their relationship with these lands and recognize that our connection to this land is through the continued relationship with these First Nations, and we acknowledge our shared responsibility to respect and care for the land and waters for future generations.

Laela

Agenda

Welcome and Land Acknowledgment

Luana

Motion to accept agenda

Laela

Introductions

Everyone

Motion to approve last meetings minutes

Laela

Role of School Council/Norms

Nicole

Principal and Teacher Update

Policy update

Student and Community Reps

Financial Update

Karthika

Socktober, food bank, produce fundraiser, book sale

Nicole

Elections

Election sub committee

Other business (proposed items for future meetings)

Open floor

Future Council Meeting dates

Motion to Adjourn Meeting

Everyone

Introductions

Mme Korinis, *Principal*

Mme Mondal, *Vice Principal*

Teacher Representatives

Student Representative

Community Representative

Luana, *Chair*

Nicole, *Vice-Chair*

Laela, *Secretary*

Karthika, *Treasurer*

Role of School Council

The role of the School council is to provide advice on school matters and help to strengthen the important relationship between schools, parents/guardians and their communities.

Norms:

We will:

- Take the opportunity to reflect
- Be open-minded and objective
- Respect participants and opinions
- Refer parent or student issues to the teacher or administration
- Begin and end on time

Role of the School Council

- supporting and promoting family and community engagement in advancing student achievement and well-being in an equitable and inclusive manner;
- participating in the development and implementation of the school improvement plan
- communicating with and providing ongoing advice to the principal on school-related matters
- collaborating with the principal to coordinate community resources that support student learning, achievement and well-being;
- understanding and communicating with members of the community about the roles and responsibilities of school councils

Teacher and Principal's update



Financial Update



Summary of Accounts in SGF October 10 2024					
Activity	Revenue		To be paid out		
Donation Drive	\$60.00		Graduation	\$4,500.00	placeholder
Fundraising General (e.g. lunch programs, snack sales)	\$11,400.00		Lego Wall	\$2,200.00	
School Council General	\$7,448.00		Outstanding cheques	?	
Total Revenue	\$18,908.00		Total to be paid out	\$6,700.00	approx
What we have to work with:	\$12,208.00				

EMPS FUNDRAISING PLAN - DRAFT - 2024 - 2025

DRAFT FUNDRAISING PLAN	TIMELINE	AMOUNT	NOTES
MUSIC PROGRAMS - INSTRUMENTS, EQUIPMENT	FALL/SPRING	\$2,500.00	
CARIBOU MATH LICENCES		\$350.00	
TECHNOLOGY - e.g. Chromebooks	FALL/SPRING	\$8,000.00	
FIELD TRIPS - Buses		\$3,500.00	1 bus per grade ~ \$450 x 7 grades
ATHLETIC EVENTS		\$3,600.00	~12 area and regional events w/1 coach
NEW LIBRARY BOOKS - FOREST OF READING		\$2,000.00	
LIBRARY ENHANCEMENTS		\$5,000.00	
OUTDOOR PLAY - BALLS AND GAMES		\$2,000.00	
GUEST SPEAKERS , PRESENTATIONS, WORKSHOPS	FALL/SPRING	\$8,000.00	
GRADUATION	SPRING	\$4,500.00	
		\$39,450.00	

Hot lunches

Socktober



Please consider contributing towards Socktober!

All donated socks will be delivered to the Vaughan
Public Library on
October 29th.

Socks will help support homeless and at risk teens.

Food bank



Fresh from farm fundraiser

As of October 8th
26 orders



FRESH FROM THE FARM

Healthy Fundraising
for Ontario Schools

A fresh take on school fundraising

Since Fresh from the Farm's launch in 2013, 2,600 schools have sold over \$5.5 million of Ontario grown fruits and vegetables, equating to over 4.6 million pounds of product. This has resulted in \$2 million raised by schools and \$3.2 million being returned to local farmers.

14lb Vegetable Bundle

\$22.00

LESS THAN \$1.60/lb

Includes

- 5 lb bag White Potatoes
- 3 lb bag Sweet Potatoes
- 3 lb bag Yellow Onions
- 3 lb bag Orange Carrots



8lb Apple Bundle

\$24.00

ONLY \$3.00/lb


NEW! - 8 lb bag Ambrosia apples

Ambrosia apples are a beautiful bright pinkish red and light yellow coloured apple. They are crisp and juicy with a distinct sweet aroma and sweet low acid flavour. Excellent for eating fresh.

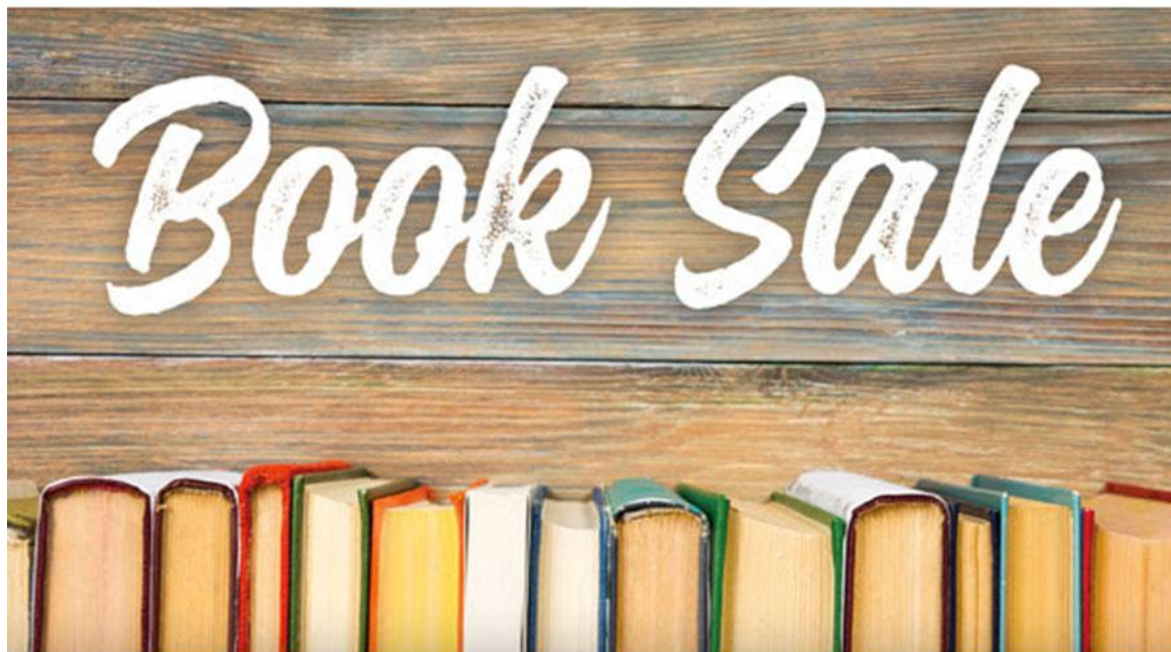


Thank you for supporting school based initiatives and Ontario farmers

brought to you by



Used book sale



Sold just
over \$45

Election

Voting member

Duties of the Council Members:

The members of the Council are accountable to the parents they represent and **MUST**:

1. Maintain a schoolwide perspective on issues
2. Regularly attend School Council Meetings
3. Participate in information and training programs
4. Act as a link between the Council and the community
5. Participate on committees and assist with tasks of the Council
6. Observe the Ministry's Code of Ethics and Council's established bylaws.

Voting members (max 15)

Name/email/phone number

Election

Chair/co-chair

Duties of the School Council Chair:

To call School Council meetings

To prepare meeting agenda and distribute

To chair the meetings

To ensure Minutes are recorded and maintained

To facilitate the resolution of conflict

to review Minutes and distribute

To participate as an ex-officio member of all committees established by Council.

Does not exercise the right to vote unless there is a tie.

To communicate with the Principal, School Board staff and trustees as required

To ensure that parents are consulted, fundraising meets School Board policies, and the Constitution is reviewed annually

Chair/co chairs

Name/email/phone number

Election

Secretary

Duties of Secretary:

1. To record the Minutes of each Council Meeting
2. To regularly check council voicemail and email correspondence
3. To be available for Executives Consultation

Secretary

Name/email/phone number

Election

Treasurer

Duties of the Treasurer:

1. To maintain accurate financial records
2. To be responsible for bank liaisons (signing authority, cheques, account)
3. To provide monthly reports on Council's financial status
4. To prepare an annual financial report
5. To prepare books for yearly independent audit
6. To deliver books to auditor and to ensure their return
7. To be available for Executive consultation

Treasurer

Name/email/phone number

Election

Committee chairs

Duties of Committee Chairs:

1. To guide the activities of the committee
2. To call committee meetings as necessary
3. To prepare the reports for presentation to Council
4. To communicate with Council Chair regarding committee's activities
5. To advise, preferably in writing, the Treasurer of committee's financial activities

Committees

Fundraising

Community engagement

Family engagement

Communication

Constitution/election

Progrant

Spring fair

Winterfest

Election

Subcommittee chair

Fundraising committee

Role of the Fundraising committee chair

To seek out effective fundraising strategies

Have Fundraising Committee Members discuss options and vote on fundraising options

Present options to School Council for a vote

(SC chair presents final option to Administration)

Once fundraising option is approved, with committee members, execute and evaluate fundraising strategy

Fundraising committee members

Name/email/phone number

Election

Subcommittee chair

Community engagement committee

Role of the community engagement committee chair

To seek out effective community engagement strategies such as food drives, clothing drives, volunteer opportunities, seasonal drives, etc as well as researching free events within the community to share in the schools weekly newsletter. (To be placed in a shared google folder)

Have community engagement Committee Members discuss options and vote on options

Present options to School Council for a vote
(SC chair presents final option to Administration)

Once option is approved, with committee members, execute and evaluate strategy

Community engagement committee members
Name/email/phone number

Election

Subcommittee chair

Family Outreach committee

Role of the family outreach committee chair

To seek out effective family outreach strategies such as family games night, opportunities for families to participate/volunteer for events, surveys to determine family availability, areas of interest, and ways to bring families into the school.

Have the family outreach Committee Members discuss options and vote on options

Present options to School Council for a vote

(SC chair presents final option to Administration)

Once option is approved, with committee members, execute and evaluate strategy

Family outreach committee members

Name/email/phone number

Election

Subcommittee chair

Communication committee

Role of the communication committee chair

To seek out effective communication strategies such as creating flyers, writing content for the school's weekly newsletter, edsby, Twitter, etc

Sits on all other committees to listen in and be able to ensure all initiatives from all committees are being communicated to the community.

Have communication committee members discuss options, create content and vote on options

Present options to School Council for a vote

(SC chair presents final option to Administration)

Once option is approved, with committee members, execute and evaluate strategy

Communication committee members

Name/email/phone number

Election

Subcommittee chair

Constitution/election committee

Role of the constitution/election committee chair

Have constitution/election committee members review the constitution, create a list of possible improvements. Present options to School Council for a vote
Once suggestions are approved, with committee members, make appropriate changes.

Facilitate next years SC elections.

Constitution/election committee members
Name/email/phone number

Election

Subcommittee chair

Winterfest committee

Role of the Winterfest chair

Oversee committee members plan, execute and evaluate Winterfest.

Bring ideas, with SC chair, to administration for approval.

Once plan is approved, with committee members, execute and evaluate strategy

Winterfest committee members

Name/email/phone number

Election

Subcommittee chair

Progrant committee

Role of the progrant chair

Apply for the progrant.

Oversee committee members plan, execute and evaluate progrant event.

Bring ideas, with SC chair, to administration for approval.

Once plan is approved, with committee members, execute and evaluate strategy

Progrant committee members

Name/email/phone number

Election

Subcommittee chair

Spring fair committee

Role of the spring fair chair

Oversee committee members plan, execute and evaluate spring fair.

Bring ideas, with SC chair, to administration for approval.

Once plan is approved, with committee members, execute and evaluate strategy

Spring fair committee members

Name/email/phone number



Suggestions for
next meeting
agenda items

Future Meeting Dates



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for coming!