

Forest Run Public School
School Council Meeting Minutes

10/18/2018

In attendance

Sheetal Vajaria
Diana Baldesarra
Joyce Yang
Lauren De Paoli
Gav Givon
Iryna Fakhri
Jaqui Getfield
Mary Oppedisano
Farhad Derakshande
Rachel Kapcan
Sefi Chassid

1. Minutes approved by the group
2. Lauren has requested to be removed from fundraising committee and become the communications officer

1. Review of Survey Data/Schools Council SIP Goals
 - Significant percentage of students feel unhappy and alone
 - Cultural, racial and income as main reasons students feel excluded
 - School plan in direct response to our data
 - Plan to normalize strategies (be inclusive) and ensure differentiation in the classroom
 - PD work for staff around Equity & Inclusion
 - SIP goals to focus on what the data says
 - Unity in our community song to play during morning but also listening to our student voice when choosing the music to start with and announcement structure
 - Do we need more education in the class about inclusivity?
 - **Community workshops? Growth mindset learning?**
 - Can we begin to blast the strategies / information to community?
 - Can we do e-learning? Can we live stream our workshops?
 - Parents didn't know about bullying button on YRDSB web site, it was suggested we place a link in our weekly bulletin.

3. Schools' Wellbeing team

- Rachel as the parent member, need two teachers, two students to complete team
- It was suggested we plan events as a school community to promote wellbeing. What can we do to bring a sense of belonging to the school community?
- Academics drop when kids don't feel they belong, and feel the need for perfection.
- What topics need to be addressed for parent workshops? Examples of workshops: Growth mindset, zones of regulation, how to promote change and better communication, align school workshops with at home workshops.

4. Parents in the community are not coming in for meetings. What do we do to engage them in the learning and needs identified?

- Propose a parent night - meet and greet with no other goal than to get together?

5. Sub-committee

Work to be done between meetings presenting ideas and status to the Council

- Iryna (Fundraising)
- Rachel (Wellbeing)
- Lauren (Communications)
- Joyce (events)
- Co-chair to email voting members for volunteers to join the sub committees established

5. Next Council Dates

- Tuesday, November 27
- Tuesday, January 29
- Tuesday, March 5
- Tuesday, April 16
- Tuesday, May 28