## Draft Minutes, Wednesday, September 18, 2019, Fred Varley School Council Meeting Fred Varley Public School, 81 Alexander Lawrie Avenue, Markham, ON L6E 0J8 T: 905-910-0034 F: 289-554-0521 Email: fvcouncil@gmail.com

Attendance: Ken Chiang, Anugs Lo, Jason Zhang, Don Li, Fang Bao, Wen Ruan, Suki Gu, Sabari Uppalapali, Kanwal Ali, Sarah Whyte, Catherine

Ma, Stacy-Lee Ashmeade, Fion Lee-Madan, Sarah Orvis, Otto-Von Elleston, Hirosh Abeywardane

**Staff:** Dina Fabian (Principal), Janice Franklin (Vice Principal)

**Students: Absent:** 

Item	Discussion	Action Item
Welcome	Welcome to the Fred Varley School Council (FVSC) meeting.	
Approval of last meeting's minutes (June, 2019)	The minutes of the June meeting were not available. No motions or votes were taken at the June meeting	
Principal's message	<ul> <li>Mrs. Fabian gave an overview of the role of the School Council, the various committees and what they do, some background of what our School Council has done at Fred Varley in the past. There are opportunities to be involved in fundraising activities for the school (pizza lunches, cookie days), spiritwear (Fred Varley clothing) for students, staff, and families, involvement in planning special events like the Gathering of Our Voices and Family Math and Fitness Night, planning social events like family movie nights, acting as an informal information network to pass information to other families and share topics that have been discussed at meetings, bring questions and concerns of the school community to meetings, offer opinions, thoughts, ideas, feedback about school issues.</li> <li>Mrs. Fabian asked who was willing to be a voting member of School Council this year. The following people expressed interest and were acclaimed, as we did not have more than the maximum of 15 members allowed on council.</li> <li>Sarah Orvis (Chair)</li> <li>Ken Chiang</li> <li>Angus Lo</li> <li>Jason Zhang</li> <li>Don Li</li> <li>Wen Ruan</li> </ul>	

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	<ul> <li>Suki Gu (Past Treasurer)</li> <li>Sabari Uppalapali (Co-Secretary)</li> <li>Kanwal Ali (Treasurer)</li> <li>Sarah Whyte</li> <li>Stacy-Lee Ashmeade (Co-Secretary)</li> <li>Fion Lee-Madan</li> <li>Otto-Von Elleston</li> <li>Hirosh Abeywardane (Past Chair)</li> <li>Mrs. Fabian also talked about the process of reorganization and what will happen if and when a class or classes are added to the school. She also went over the process of creating classes to ensure that there are a maximum of 20 students in a primary class, no more than 23 in a grade ¾ class, and an average of 24 in grade 4 – 8 classes, explaining why we have so many combined classes.</li> </ul>	
Treasury report	There was no treasury report available at this meeting	
Sub-Committees	Pizza  • Hirosh and Stacy are committed to being at school on Thursdays from 11:40 – 1:00 to help with pizza lunches. We are looking for 4 or 5 more volunteers who can come on a weekly basis. The volunteers do not have to be members of council. Ms. Franklin will send out and email asking for volunteers from council, but also from the general school population.	Stacy will talk to Candice Chan in the office about setting up pizza orders on School Cash Online so that pizza lunches can begin on October 10.
New business/topics discussed	It was suggested again that we work on setting up a system so that anyone can attend the School Council meetings online if they cannot be there in person.	Stacy volunteered to demonstrate the use of "Zoom" for Ms. Franklin so that meetings can be available online through that platform.
Next meeting/Dates for meetings for year of 2018-2019	<ul> <li>Meeting dates for the 2019-20 school year were set as:</li> <li>October 16, November 20, January 15, February 19, April 8, May 20, June 17</li> </ul>	
Adjournment	The meeting was adjourned shortly after 8:00 pm.	

