



## HENDERSON AVENUE PUBLIC SCHOOL

# School Council Minutes

Thursday, January 21, 2016 @ 7-9pm

**Present:** Mr. Alex Pancharovski, Lily L.O., Jessica L., Diana M., Giselle Y., Laura S., Julie P., Dorothy L., Azi S., Namdar S., Hong G., Parisa R., Sami S., Parisa J., Mary K., Monireh A., Julie C.

Regrets:

Absent: Suzy B.

Quorum was met

### **Approval of December 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2015 SAC Meeting Minutes**

Lily opened the minutes

Dorothy - moved to approve minutes

Namdar - second the motion

### **Chair's Report - Lily**

- Healthy Hunger Fun Lunches - found out there are hidden transaction fees. For every 9 subs there is an extra fee of \$4
- Cash online is not flexible. Variations of sub order not avail. Going back to paper orders. Added wraps/subs

### **Multi Cultural Committee Update (April 20, 2016)**

- Lily (main contact), Dorothy (volunteer Lead), Laura (Entertainment & Performance Lead), Azi (Country Table Lead), Giselle (Food & Beverage Lead), Parisa R. (Giveaway Lead), Parisa J. (Decoration Lead), Suzy B. (all printing requirements)
- Considerations: Flags, stickers, giveaways, decorations, food tables, entertainment, kid's activities

- Event flyer and survey results to be returned by January 29th

## Treasurer's Report - Jessica

- Movie night was very successful
- Additional donations made - \$1000
- QSP Update: Total sales \$1700, profit \$577

## Principal's Report - Alex

- Graduation is June 23<sup>rd</sup>
- JR Volley ball team came in 3<sup>rd</sup> place
- Henderson hosting the intermediate boys & girls Basketball games on Feb 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup>
- Swan Lake trip (Grades 2, 4, 7) - February 5,8,10, 11, 12
- Lake St. George trip - Feb 17<sup>th</sup>
- JR Basketball to start in March
- Jr. and Sr. Soccer to start this year.
- Hockey tournament starting in mid-February
- After school Literacy programs
- Grade 5 & 6 Math Club started today, neighborhood resident volunteer time to run it
- Grade 3 & 4 mentoring program by Big Brothers & Sisters after school program to start on Fridays April 8<sup>th</sup> Limited to 20 kids.
- Conversation Club for new immigrants to start after March Break (Mon & Tues)
- Grade 8, yearend trip (April 25-28). \$655 + \$35 insurance (\$45 more than last year)
- Grade 7 & 8 Mount St. Louis & Grade 4, 5, & 6 Snowy Valley Ski trip - March 1<sup>st</sup>
- Portables arrived last week, inspections done, furniture, electrical being installed. Students to start using it next Friday. Second portable coming in soon thereafter.
- Student enrolment is getting high. Projecting 403 for next year. 1<sup>st</sup> time over 400. Currently we're at 391 students. Higher enrolment will affect staffing.
- Term one report cards - being sent home on February 16<sup>th</sup>
- Book Fair - February 8-12<sup>th</sup>
- Fitness equipment moved to main storage area for easy access to staff
- Senior band invited to Marlies Game to perform the National Anthem and during Intermission, fundraising going on
- Welcome to Kindergarten meet & greet - May 20<sup>th</sup> 9:30 - 10:30am

- Lice Check by Lice Squad - May 18, 19<sup>th</sup>
- Lego robotics update. Lunch hour proposed - more flexible, because there are already too many after school programs. Program more geared for older groups than younger kids
- Jessica proposed Brick Door, cheap and grades 1-3 and 4-6
- Creative Club, grades 1-6, and 3-8 (use robotics)
- Alex recommended "Speak up Grant" \$1000 grant (if two schools participate it's \$2500 grant) to encourage team work between schools
- Robotex and Technology - a board funded approved program that needs an adult to volunteer to lead it. Free to students. Needs a very committed leader to lead the program and participate in weekend competitions, admin work. Alex to send out flyer to see how many parents are interested and if they can work in rotation.
- Fitness Equipment/training - Mr. Waterworth to volunteer his time for the fitness equipment and training
- Recess games - Azi suggested putting it out there to ask parents to donate gently used toys

## **Outdoor Improvement Committee Update**

- Namdar, Parisa R., Giselle, Monireh, Diana
- Wood chips free of any chemical compound, decision to be made in May.
- Outdoor classroom. Our budget is too low for any projects
- Solar Panels - Per Alex Board's approval needed to go on the roof for any inspection. Details of this project have to be worked out between the Board and the Company hired. Plus, any profit gained from this project would go to the Board and not Henderson.
- Available funding of \$1200 from counsel and \$1200 from TD remains unused
- Different ideas presented on how to use this money

## **Other Activities or Items Discussed**

- Spring Fling & BBQ Night to be combined - June 17<sup>th</sup> at 5:30pm Lily
- Eddie (Julie Chan's husband) offered to be on committee to help head up this carnival
- Stargazing Night to be moved to the Fall on Curriculum night (bigger turnout)
- Frozen Cookie dough fundraising proposal from QSP representative
- Boostan Multicultural Collective - Dance classes for JK-Grade 3, possible performance on Multicultural Night

Next SAC meeting - February 25<sup>th</sup>, 2016 @ 7:00 pm.

Meeting Adjourned at 9:00 pm