



KPS School Council Minutes

Date: Tuesday September 18 @ 6:30-8:00pm

Chair: Jacie
Vice Chair: Lara
Secretary: Sylvie
Community Engagement: Samantha

Council Members: Lara, Lori, Jacie, Carrie, Daniella, Stacy, Leigh, Cathy

Present: Leigh, Kim, Karen, Carrie, Daniella, Amy, Cathy, Stacy, Amy, Lauren, Lori, Lara, Tonya, Tracy, Cynthia, Samantha, Laura

Regrets: none

Principal: Mme Tonya Vokey-Young
Teacher representatives: Mme Stapleton, M. Vojnic

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1. Welcome to Mme Tonya Vokey-Young the new KPS Principal. Round table introduction to new parents and returning parents
2. Approve minutes for April, May, 1 and May 29.
3. Review of constitution – In short, the board constitution states we require a community representative (a previous parents of the school, someone in our community), the executive would consist of chair – co chair and vice chair only, only 4 meetings per year, dates are set by principal. In previous years we voted on how funds are being distributed, however it's the Principal's decision (no more voting). Mme Vokey-Young wants a conversation on how we spend the money as the parents are volunteering to fundraise and it's good to get their input.
 - a. Review of KPS constitution and by-laws – the constitution will be emailed out for everyone to review make comments and returns those comments to Jacie. Once reviewed we will make changes and send out via email for approval and review at our next meeting. Needs to be signed by the current executive before the elections.
4. Fundraiser schedule/idea: 2018-2019
 - a. Epicure – fundraiser 40% kick back to the school (discussion on so many parents in the school have these type of business and how do you say yes to one and no to others)
 - b. Winter Bazar Dec 1, 2018, vendor tables, holiday theme for the kids, bake sale,
 - i. Leigh, Amy, Carrie, Lori, Tracy Amy, Lara, Sylvie, Stacy, - 10-2



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- c. Halloween dance Oct 26, 2018 Friday night, 6-8, family event (younger siblings are welcome)
 - i. Cynthia, Karen, Laura, Cathy, Samantha
 - d. Dance a thon – April – Sylvie Amy, Stacy, Lori, Laura, Samantha
 - e. QSP – will be going after the reorganization
 - f. Fresh from the Farm fundraiser – for the nutrition program
 - g. Cash online for teachers to access – Mme Vokey-Young to look into this
 - h. Spirit wear, ongoing through the year. Kick start of spirit wear, order forms at Open House Lara and Lori to have a table – spirit wear day, school colors navy blue/green.
 - i. Year-end event – fun fair/ice cream social – This even is in June – Carrie, Racy, Sam Leigh, Amy Lori, Tonya,
 - j. Orange shirt day – indigenous day October 1, 2018, Sept 28 Terry Fox, Pink Shirt day Feb 27/19
 - k. Bowling night in Newmarket (getting kids and parents out) community even and some fundraising involved.
5. The intermediates want to form a student body – Mr. Vojnic to head up.
6. Roles of the Executive
- a. Require only chair and vice chair
 - b. Community at large member (participating member that is not from the school) or a parent that used to be at the school
 - c. Open to any member, send in nomination for our next meeting.
7. Community open house – considering doing pizza set up via cash on line, Sylvie Stacy, Lori, Karen, Daniella,
- a. One sitting from 5:30 to 6:15 for pizza then going into your child's classroom to visit the classroom and the school and finished by 7:00pm (it's not a meet the teacher approach)
 - b. Can have a council table – sign up list for volunteer Lori
8. Tonya's corner
- a. What she would like to see is student member come to the meeting first to speak & give their reports and then leave
 - b. School council schedule for 2018-2019 – fewer meeting than last year.
 - c. She has been with the board for 26 years and in 2011 became an administrator in the Thornhill area.
 - d. This year we have 20 home room classes, 34 staff member (new staff 7 new teachers, allocated a new caretaker, allocated another full time admin staff however split between Mme Hight and Mme Lockie and Mme Chisholm is full time admin. There are 440 students.
 - e. At the beginning of the school year we had a wasp issue, some kids were stung however wasps have been removed



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- f. There are dying trees and they are scheduled to be removed. There were humps on pavement which have been shaved down
- g. Tarmac is a mess, there are cracks (draining situation) it would cost \$100,000 to get replaced. However, the school is on the list in the next 2 years to have a new tarmac will need to wait.
- h. Outdoor learning area
- i. Tether poles will be removed as well as the volleyball nets as they are not being used.
- j. Fundraiser for popcorn - for grade 6 to get a professional dancer to learn thriller dance
- k. Food drive – for local movie theater.
- l. Fundraiser – topic for a wish list, technology, more stuff for kids to do, need more basketball court one for 7/8 at the back of the school and hoping for another 2 standalone nets for the junior grades, new playground for the intermediate.
- m. Will reach out staff to see what is important for the teachers, what is needed in the school
- n. Graduation in the past; the ceremony is held at the school then there is an offsite party. There will be no fundraiser done at the school for the after party as this is a non-sanction function.
- o. Student Rep at council meeting
- p. Alzheimer training for 8-10 student for the grade 8 only. They meet once a month and the students go with Mme Hamilton and read with them at the day program
- q. Freeze DNA comic - presentation create a comic
- r. Kids have stress too program for grade 1 and 2 (presentation)
- s. Photo day October 5, 2018
- t. One fire drill so far and it was well done
- u. Safety week is coming up with a lock down drill – Sept 24
- v. How much we have in the bank about \$5000.00
- w. Status quo on no costume on Halloween day as this is why we have the Halloween dance

9. Adjournment.

*Next meeting dates are: October 2, 2018 at 6:30pm

October 2, November 13, December 4, January 29, February 26, April 2, May 7, June 4