

Legacy Public School Meeting Minutes

December 4, 2023

Council Members Present:	Nimisha Patel, Marcie Lazangas, Simone Reali, Tatiana Magno, Saumea Thayalan, Kamla Girdharry, Cynthia Fung, Jacylou Pallorina, Giulia Perri-Tsagis, Sumathi Ramesh
Council Members Absent:	
Other Members Present:	Jennifer Cowley, Initha Subramaniam, Sylvia Vocino, Rosan Chung

Agenda Item	Notes
Introduction Land Acknowledgement	<p><u>Introductions:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All members are welcomed by School Council Chair Nimisha Patel • Land Acknowledgement and connection • Inclusion activity - favourite elementary school memory <p><u>Meeting norms:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meetings begin and end on time • Consensus decision-making • All speakers and opinions are respected • Individual students, parents, and staff are not discussed • Be open-minded and objective • Refer parent or student issues to the teacher or principal <p>October minutes corrections:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussion at the end and request for further information regarding the incident • Remove African ancestor acknowledgement • Motion to amend the minutes - approved with corrections. <p>November minutes corrections:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Check name list for accuracy of attendance reported on the minutes • Add the definitions of the committees from the slide deck. • Motion to amend the minutes - approved with corrections.

Administrative Update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Policy Review - only 3 responses so far. Please complete the form at your convenience to help inform our work: (11 short questions) https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScbJ04fWuSlok_Ql693OSibdVo1Rdli8bvEI9yhf6duffOg1g/viewform - November 9 - Onwards YRDSB online services outage and YRDSB working on restoring full services. - Nov. 14 - Black Student Association staff advisors met with School Board consultants to plan for student engagement sessions and professional development. - Nov. 15 - Progress Report Card sent home with all students, Interviews Nov. 16/17, Junior Kindergarten Parent Observations/Visits - Nov 22 and 23 - Equity Symposium, Indigenous and Equity Liaisons and Admin attended - Grade 3 Gifted Screening took place last week - Dec. 7 - Photo retake day - Staff participating at SNAP Training - SNAP®, which stands for Stop Now And Plan, is a model that provides a framework for teaching children effective emotional regulation skills. - Grade 3-5 After School Literacy Program, Grade 4-6 After School Math Program begin this week; Gr. 7-8 After school math program will start in the New Year - Grade 6 Staff participating in Holocaust Education Professional Development. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - SERT at Special Education Professional Development - Universal Design for Learning - Indigenous Education Equity Team has been working with the First Nations Metis Inuit Education Consultant and Indigenous Education Designate to support their planning and learning for the whole school. - Stacking Club for Gr. 1-8 has begun. Offered on different days, depending on grade level. - Chess club, and Junior Volleyball have begun - Spirit Week will be held the week before the holidays. Communication will be coming home electronically. <p>Fundraising Plan</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Curriculum and instruction - Screen and mounted ceiling projector - \$14,000.00 (amount is stretched over a few years) ● School will be able to cover 50 percent of the cost ● Snacks for any students who needs a snack - \$300.00 ● Graduation awards, medallions (Assisted by School Council each year) - \$1000.00 ● Guest Speakers and Artists for student workshops - \$750. 00 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Healthy Schools team working with Public Health to access grants ● The School Council will connect with Longos for support. ● Progrant - \$800.00 speakers for parent reaching out grant.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Pizza day funds are also used to support programs ● Fundraising will be ongoing
<p>Updates and Discussion Points</p>	<p>Committees Updates</p> <p>Progrant:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Suggestions to organize Math and dance nights and stem nights. ● Progrant funds per school - \$800.00 a year ● Need to apply before June <p>Legacy Wear:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● The cyber incident with YRDSB paused the Legacy Wear and Mothers' Deli advertisement. ● Legacy wear will be shared in January. <p>Lunch and Snack Program:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Pasta Lunch on Thursdays starting in January 6 weeks ● Student government selling candy cane sales ● Look into Popcorn sales that was present in 2021- 22 <p>Staff Appreciation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Progress report card for the staff shared as appreciation ● A card for the crossing guard (who is a parent of Legacy PS) was shared for supporting the school and always being there on time and staying past her time to support the school. ● 12 days of appreciation ● Morning tea last week of school before the winter break. A google form will be shared to gather family support for the team with donations. <p>Parent Engagement:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Many families signed up at curriculum evenings and wanted to support in different ways. ● Look into planning Chai and Chat and bring in speakers from different languages. <p>Safety and Active School Travel</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● The School Council to follow up with City of Markham on Intersection assessment Legacy Drive and Russell Jarvis Drive feedback ● Look into further safety blitzes <p>Fundraising committee</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Suggestions for silent auction ● Ornaments or key chains or tags that can be sold

- Re - visit the suggestion in the New Year.

Holiday Initiative:

- boxes will be provided to school and the donations will be dropped off at the front, near the Christmas Tree.
- The donations will be picked up by Markham Food Bank Last week of school before the holidays.

Brainstorming activity:

- Suggestions: bingo night entire families will come, pre order pizza and sell chips and pop and water
- Sit as a family for bingo and 5 dollars for each round.
- Prizes will be from the neighbourhood vendors.
- Check Fundraising rules if Bingo is allowed

- School name added for swim to survive,
- Yearbook - grade 8 Students will have a yearbook as last year.
- Student government photographers will capture pictures for the yearbook
- Request to move ahead with yearbook for this year
- Looking into bringing popcorn sales back.
- Staff appreciation - 1 item per month was suggested
- 12 days of staff appreciation and staff tea
- PRO Grant - committee is looking for volunteers

Meeting adjourned at 8:38 pm
 Next Meeting February 5, 2023 - virtual