
Legacy School Council (LSC) – Meeting Minutes

Monday, December 3, 2018

Administrator Attendees:

Shelley Jones, Leanne Hoover-Joy

Teacher / Staff Attendees:

Mike Reali, Sylvia Vocino

School Council Member Attendees:

Michelle Probert, Julie Mallinos, Francine Mathai, Nimisha Patel, Kelly Taiabjee

Regrets: Adela Pinnock, Susan Budinsky, Karolina Hatlapa-Sial, Heather Sally

Parent / Guardian Attendees:

Andrea Persaud

Guests:

Fion Ho, City of Markham Transportation

Reena Mistry, Active School Travel YRDSB

Minutes

1. **Welcome & Approval of November 5, 2018 Minutes** (previously done by email)
2. **Presentation by Active School Travel (AST)**
 - Promote safe and active travel
 - Encourage walking! Encourage cycling!
 - “Human powered travel”, also includes taking the school bus
 - Many benefits of walking – great way to start the day, alertness

Pilot Project - various schools across Markham will participate

- **School Council agreed that Legacy would participate**
- Test the level of encouragement and programming required to get more students walking / cycling / bussing
- *3 components to the Pilot Project: marketing, communication, education*

- Supports safety of the community
- **Next Step:** build an AST sub committee
- **Major Steps:** build community support, develop classroom challenges, plan and develop a Parent Connection System, soft-engineering (line painting)
- January to June 2019; program runs April-June
- **February 6th: Winter Walk Day**

3. Administrator's Update – Shelley & LEEANNE

Field Trips

- Most classes do 2 field trips "outside of the building" (e.g. The Zoo) and 1 "in the building" (e.g. Scientists in the School)
- Upcoming in the spring: JK-3 will be attending "Beanstalk" at Flato Markham Theatre

"Every Student Counts" Survey

- Families are strongly encouraged to complete the survey
- This survey will provide very useful information and feedback that will be used to determine areas for growth and change

Kindness Tree

- In the last two weeks of November, as a whole school we focused on the importance of Kindness
- The school was filled with ideas about kindness including kindness quotes, kindness announcements and acts of kindness.
- Students created a kindness tree with their ideas about kindness which is on the wall outside of the library

Ski Club (Grades 4-8)

- It's a go! We have enough staff to support, just waiting on numbers (minimum number of students to attend)
- Wednesday evenings – see School Cash Online for dates

Pro Grant

- On "permanent hold"
- Cost is approx. \$1,200 to do a Mindfulness workshop – *does Parent Council still want to go ahead?* Engagement activities are always beneficial
- Kelly to bring grant information to next meeting
- Question raised – are there other grants available? Are there private company grants?

Zones of Regulation

- Help kids understand their emotions
- Introduce and promote calming strategies
- Foam mats, calming materials and de-stressing supports have been purchased for certain classrooms where teachers are using Zones of Regulation in their learning plan this year

Legacy Vision Consultation

- Admin team will conduct consultation process at January School Council meeting
- Admin will seek input about Legacy from School Council and community members
- Ties in with School Culture
- 5-year plan – create goals that will line up with School Improvement Plan, a vision for the whole school
- Includes Parent engagement

4. Treasurer's Update

- No change

5. Lunch and Snack Committee Update - Julie

Pasta Update

- Suggestion made to only allow parents to order the same item for all weeks – this would eliminate confusion – students coming with/without a lunch (parents thinking or forgetting they had ordered pasta) and students wanting a different selection

New Lunch Idea

- Hero Burgers now offers a School Lunch Program
- Meets PPM 150 and is YRDSB approved
- Peanut / Tree nut free
- 5 different choices are offered (Halal compliant options available)
- Lunch committee will explore this further

December Treat Day

- **Confirmed date of: Friday December 21**
- **Price: \$2.00**
- Council was shown the flyer that was created; flyer will be posted around the school as well as sent home with students
- 4 volunteers are needed to help with selling

6. Charity Committee Update - Nimisha

- Legacy admin held an excellent and very engaging presentation for students and staff about Holiday Heroes
- Students are enthusiastic, and donations have started coming in
- **Pick Up: December 13th**

7. Legacy Wear Update – Nimisha

- Available on School Cash Online

8. Fun Fair Update – Heather – *Deferred until Next Meeting*

- **Confirmed date of: Thursday June 6**

9. School Council Forum Highlights – Michelle – *Deferred until next meeting*

Next Meeting: Monday, January 14, 2018

Minutes Taken By: Julie Mallinos