

# Legacy Public School Meeting Minutes

March 6, 2023

Council Members Present:	Tricia Ali, Simone Reali, Giulia Perri-Tsingis, Gajalini Ramachandran, Kamla Girdharry, Saumea Thayalan, Colsie Henry, Kelly Taiabjee, Ms. Adekoya
Council Members Absent:	Ellia Davis
Other Members Present:	Jennifer Cowley, Rosan Chung, Sylvia Vocino, Initha Subramaniam

Agenda Item	Decisions/Action Taken
Introduction Land Acknowledgement African Ancestor Acknowledgement	After welcome by Tricia Ali, Land Acknowledgement and African Ancestor Acknowledgement was shared by Rosan Chung
Administrative Update	<p>Development of School Improvement Planning goals. This is a process by which school goals are connected to the data about students and community to the Director's Action Plan, the Indigenous Education and Equity Strategy, the Dismantling Anti-Black Racism Strategy and the Student Mental Health and Addiction Strategy.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Review multiple sources of data, including demographic, student achievement, climate survey, and perception data, etc.,</li> <li>- Staff to review and use the data to draft goals</li> <li>- Opportunity for parent input along the way</li> </ul> <p>Black Excellence Program</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Grade 4-6 students attended the second session of this program at Ashton Meadows</li> <li>- These students, plus the extended Black Excellence Student Committee organized the Black History Month assemblies</li> </ul> <p>Extra-Curricular activities are up and running</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Reach for the Top - Intermediate Students</li> <li>- Black Excellence Program</li> <li>- Intermediate Boys Basketball</li> </ul>

- Intermediate Girls Basketball
- Primary Floor Hockey
- Badminton
- Cup stacking - Gr. 1 - 8
- Junior Choir
- Tai Chi Gr. 3 & 4
- Intermediate Badminton
- Intermediate Study Hall
- Primary - Junior Chess Club

Student Government facilitated

- Black History Month Assembly
- Candy Grams
- Grade 8 Movie Night
- Whole School Dance
- Art Club Gr. 2 - 5
- Origami Club 2-3
- Book Club Grade 3
- Fitness Club Grade 4
- Crafts Club Grade 2
- Jazz Club
- Blooket Club

In planning

- Dance workshops for Juniors
- Doahl Dance Academy Intermediates
- Next Gen Men - Intermediates
- Women's Support Network - Juniors and Intermediates
- Weekly Cricket afterschool for Juniors and Intermediates
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Community Engagement:

- Completed Children and Gaming - Feb 22, Hannah Xu. Hong Fook Agency. Virtual 6:00pm
- In Planning - Community Cricket Game with Markham Cricket Academy

Report Cards

- Sent home the week of Feb. 20

Every Student Counts Survey

- Students invited to participate in the Spring.

- Survey results will be used to identify areas that need to be addressed, monitor progress and plan strategies to support students and their families
- Between February 27 - March 10, families will be able to opt-out their children in Grades 4-12 from participating in the survey. On February 27, families would have received an email containing opt out information.

School Engagement Initiative and Workshops are embedded in supporting the Director's Action Plan, Dismantling Anti Black Racism Strategy, Indigenous Education and Equity Strategy and Student Mental Health Action Plan.

#### Progrant

- Timeline to submit an application is open.
- A total of \$800.00 can be subsidized for community engagement sessions.
- Example Sessions in planning: Doahl Dance Academy community engagement session. Community cricket match with Markham Cricket Academy, fitness club, crafting club, chai and chats and other fund activities.

#### Funding request from School Council budget

- Lego Robotics - \$300.00
- Outdoor gym equipment - \$500.00
- Quote for motorized screen for the gym - \$1000.00 plus
- Next Gen Men - \$500.00

Total - \$2300.00 is requested from the School Council Funds.  
Approval from the School Council was provided to use the funds.

#### **Committee Updates:**

##### Safety committee

- Markham City conducted a survey on pedestrian crossing in front of the school. Aim of the survey was to collect data to understand if a pedestrian crosswalk is to be installed in front of the school.
- Previous surveys were conducted in 2017 and 2018.
- City observed driver behavior and they concluded that a crosswalk is not required.
- Safety Blitz in April
- Active school travel pilot program Walk to school campaign in May.

##### Fundraising Committee

- Move-a-Thon
- Use a similar format as to last year

- Two week engagement for the students.
- In May

#### Legacy wear

- Work with the school to look into Legacy gear vendors from the school board approved list.

#### Staff appreciation Lunch

- In June
- Community volunteers provide lunch for the staff.

#### Approval of February meeting minutes

- Motion forward to approve the feb minutes passed
- Approved by Tricia
- Seconded by Kelly

#### Questions:

##### Looking into cupcake sales for fundraising.

- Half dozen large cupcakes or a dozen mini cupcakes
- Pre order through school cash online or pick them up in the store.
- Half a dozen cupcakes for 22.50 then sell them for 25.00 dollars.
- Comments from other members:
- Equity inquiry: will all families be able to afford it.
- The pricing is expensive.

Past activities: Student council sells frozen yogurt etc. at other schools they did white milk or chocolate milk, ice dogs or ice cream sandwiches.

#### Example of program for families:

- Northern Karate came in during lunch time and they did 6 lessons and \$500.00 dollars was donated back to school
- Check to see if Northern Karate and Moohan Taekwondo is part of the YRDSB approved list of service providers.

#### Grade 8 Graduation

- The School Council contributed 992 dollars for decor
- Field trips are planned and sending out information to families soon.

	<p>Raz kids</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Some teachers encourage raz kids and prodigy but others don't. Can some of the money be used for licenses Staff use programs that do not require students to sign up or create an account while also having culturally responsive resources.</li></ul> <p>Meeting Adjourned at 8:00pm by chair Tricia Ali</p>
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	<p>Meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm Next Meeting: April 3, 2023</p>