Legacy P.S. School Council

Meeting Minutes: meeting held in Legacy P.S. Library

October 5th, 2015

Present

Laura Ryckman, Jeff Demacio, Lori Nickerson, Michelle Probert, Dayo Babalola, Mike Michalos, Sylvia Vocino, Adela Pinnock, Nimisha Patel, Irene Dimov, Teddy Kardaras, Sandy Acquaviva, Danny Antonopoulos, Marjorie Sacco, Yvonne Lavasidis, Saumea Thayalan, George Lavasidis, Nick Kotsopoulos, Vinay Puri, Nandita Bhatia, Sanjay Bhatia, Simone Reali, Sara DeLapa, Heidi Bonner, Francine Mathai, Tricia Mohammed, Cathy Christakis-Kirakan, John Dimov, Nimisha Patel

Minutes: Adela Pinnock

Principal welcome and update

Laura talked about why we have school councils. Policies, roles of parents, teachers, and students. What makes an effective council.

We began with 11 people interested in being voting members. Only 9 are allowed technically and 3 of the 11 had been voting members for the past 3 consecutive years, which would have disallowed them to be back as voting members as per our by-laws. We decided as a group that the by-law can be amended in order to allow for all 11 voting members.

Voting took place for executive positions.

Co-Chairs- Irene Dimov and Nandita Bhatia

Treasurer- Michelle Probert

Secretary – Adela Pinnock

Voting Members- Lori Nickerson, Michelle Probert, Sonia Babra, Sanjay Bhatia, Nandita Bhatia, Irene Dimov, Teddy Kardaras, Vinay Puri, Samea Thayalan, Tricia Mohammed

Our new teacher representative this year is Marjorie Sacco.

Job Action Update

Teachers are continuing with extra-curricular activities and clubs. All teachers have put in 100% into the start of the school year. Sylvia, Marjorie and Dayo felt it was important to attend the meeting and as such requested permission to be there.

Some parents have expressed an interest in holding some council meetings during daytime hours. Most feel that this would not work, but Laura would consider perhaps shifting nights so that meeting are not always on a Monday. Currently the school has a permit for Mondays and Wednesdays.

Teacher's report

Sylvia Vocino spoke about how nice it is to see so many new faces and what a great turnout we had. She encouraged all who attended to continue to come out to meetings. Earlier that day was Spirit Day, it was a great day. Kids are happy and they are learning and clubs and activities are still running and hopefully things will get resolved in respect to the job action.

Lori- Past Chair

Lori talked about the "Pro Grant" that we applied for at the end of last year. This was for a Mathletes night for parents and we were approved. This will take place in January and will run during school hours for the kids and in the evening for kids and parents together.

Next meeting Monday, November 2, 2015