

Legacy Public School Meeting Minutes

October 2, 2023

Council Members Present:	<p>Council Members: Tatiana Soares Dos Reis Magno, Colsie Henry, Saumea Thayalan, Giulia Perri-Tsagis, Simone Reali, Cheryl Law, Nimisha Patel, Jacylou Pallorima, Marcie Lazongas, and Teddy Lazongas</p> <p>Administrative Members: Jennifer Cowley, Initha Subramaniam</p> <p>Teacher Member: Sylvia Vocino, Rosan Chung</p>
Council Members Absent:	Rosan Chung
Other Members Present:	

Agenda Item	Notes
Introduction Land Acknowledgement	<p><u>Introductions:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All participants had an opportunity to introduce themselves • Land Acknowledgement and connection <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
Administrative Update	<p><u>School Council Introduction for New Members:</u></p> <p><u>YRDSB Video on School Council</u> https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ni2UmiRmfBA</p> <p><u>Council purpose and objectives:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assist in the creation & maintenance of a collaborative environment which works to improve student learning & school

effectiveness at our school

- School councils are an advisory body that can make recommendations to the Principal or the Board

Council membership

- VOTING MEMBERS: 15 Parents/guardians of students currently enrolled at Legacy Public School; Teacher Representative; Community Representative, Association Representative
- NON-VOTING MEMBERS include: Principal or Vice-Principal, Student Representative (1 if available), and NON-Voting Parent Members.

Voting Members:

Voting parent members of the School Council:

- Maximum 15 voting members only
- Attend scheduled meetings of the School Council
- Notify the Chair/Co-Chairs of any absences from School Council meetings
- Vote on school-wide topics when required
- Must be nominated or self-nominated
- Must have a child registered at the school
- Must declare if they are employed by YRDSB
- One voting member from one household
- Expected to attend all meetings

Non voting members

- Join committee
- Attend meetings
- Do not have to inform chair or school if they are not attending
- Will need to abstain from voting

CHAIRPERSON/CO-CHAIRS

The Chair shall:

1. Be a parent/guardian of a student(s) who attend Legacy P.S.;
2. Preside over Council meetings or arrange for the co-chair to preside in his/her absence;
3. Act as a spokesperson and represent the Council or delegate a member to do so when required;
4. Prepare a written agenda with the Principal/Vice-Principal
5. Ensure that parents/guardians are consulted about matters under consideration by the Council

6. Have a working knowledge of the Council Constitution; review annually
7. Prepare and submit the School Council Annual Report to the Board.

The Treasurer shall:

1. Receive funds for the Council
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Subcommittees

- Safety
- Holiday Initiative
- Legacy Wear
- Lunch Committee
- Staff Appreciation
- Fundraising

School Council Elections

- Chair/Co-Chair - Nimisha Patel
- Secretary/Co-Secretary - Jacylou Pallorima
- Treasurer/Co-Treasurer - Tatiana Soares Dos Reis Magno,
- Voting Members - Saumea Thayalan, Cheryl Law, Marcie Lazongas, Giulia Perri-Tsingis

School Council Contact Information Distribution List

- Google form completed by members in attendance
- Consent to release information completed by three executive members.

Administrative Updates

- Current enrollment is at 469 - slightly down from last year
- Small reorganization to meet primary class compliance and to reduce combined grades in Intermediate
- Staff participated in Compliance Training on the Sept. 22 PA Day, and also engaged in learning about the revised Language Curriculum and High-Impact Math Strategies
- The Terry Fox event was a huge success. Thank everyone who donated a toonie
- Every Child Matters flag raising in recognition of National Truth and Reconciliation Week
- Meet the Teacher evening on Sept. 27 was a success; enjoyed welcoming families into the school
- Community Resource Tables and Legacy Wear Table - thank you to Kamla and Colsie!
- Legacy Wear Sale - Looking at dates
- Cross Country Team Participated in their Area Meet at Milliken Park last week. Our Grade 8s will be moving on to Regionals
- Grade 7 students went to McMichael Outdoor Education Centre today. Gr. 2 and 4 Outdoor Education Trips will take place later in the school year.
- Safe and Caring School Assemblies for grades 1 - 8 this week
- Lunch Lady is on Thursdays - A percentage of the funds is given back to the school at the end of the year
- Pizza lunch begins on the week of Oct 2, 2023
- Last year we had inquired about a Karate program that could be run by an outside provider. There has been a revised approval process for special interest providers, and that is taking place over the course of this month. Successful applicants will be notified by the end of October. After this timeframe, a list of providers will be provided to the school.
- Official communication from the school will come via e-Blast - front the Legacy P.S. account. Watch for weekly information titled Legacy News, and other important messages that will be sent on a timely basis.
- Update on Crossing Guard - We continue to actively advertise to fill the vacant crossing guard position at Russell Jarvis and Rouge Bank. From our Meet the Teacher evening, we had a couple of parents show an interest and they will be connecting with the city to complete the application process
- We also requested a traffic assessment from the City of Markham for the intersection of Russell Jarvis and Legacy Dr. They completed the assessment last week. Unfortunately, the traffic engineer determined that the intersection does not warrant a crossing guard at this time. They indicated that they will continue to periodically monitor the intersection. They shared that "Measuring the level of exposure helps identify the need and level of priority an intersection has for the requirement of a crossing

	<p>guard. This exposure index is determined by measuring the number of students crossing, against the number of conflicting traffic movements occurring at the intersection. It is important to understand that this intersection is controlled by a 4-way stop. As such, vehicles are <u>required by law</u> to stop for pedestrians that are waiting to cross, or in the process of crossing the street.”</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - We’re pleased to share that the long-awaited Buddy Benches have been installed. Thank you to the council and the community for their fundraising efforts to make this happen. - We are looking for two volunteers to attend the Area East School Council Forum on Thurs. Oct. 19 from 5:30pm - 8:30pm - dinner is provided - World Teacher Day - Nimisha will work on a message for the staff to put in their mailboxes. - Our opening balance for this school year is \$5655.79 <p><u>Other/Questions</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Can we pursue gathering more information from the city regarding the request for a crossing guard at Russell Jarvis & Legacy Dr.? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Yes - can fall under the safety committee, Saumea interested, Nimisha, Jennifer, Initha - Request for school to share more detailed information about safety concern/incident on the letter that was shared with community <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The letter that was shared with the families is the letter that is created by the School Board and requested by schools to share as community response. Request is noted for future similar communications, should there be a need. The Board Communication department is responsible for managing privacy and developing such communications. Should the need arise, admin will share this request from the council with the Communications department.
	<p>Meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm Next Meeting November 6, 2023</p>