

School Council Meeting Minutes

April 20th, 2021



A.	Call to Order	Time:	5:35pm
B.	Roll Call and Regrets:	Attendees: Carolyn Brndiar Katie Sears Jason Ho Winnie Ng Lisa Zografos Jen Chan Mina Wong Pouneh Biazarikari Laytee Lim Karima Jiwani Lisa Zhou Simone Francis	
C.	Approval of minutes from last meeting	Motion to approve by: Lisa Zografos Seconded: Winnie Ng	
D.	Principal's Report	Update from Principal: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A YRDSB email was recently sent to all SJAM families regarding Asymptomatic Covid-19 testing for SJAM students and staff (rapid test) available at RGSS on the weekend i.e. Friday and Saturday for 1 hour each day. • There is a new gate with a lock being installed at SJAM which will allow students to cross over from the school to the field/ park without going all the way around, which is great news. • Grade 8 grad photos – the initial photos were to take place by another photography studio on May 5th, however, they did not supply caps and gowns. Another company has been retained and can provide caps and gowns for a date of May 14. Depending on what happens with school re-opening prior to May 14, options will have to be explored. • Jump Rope for Heart was originally scheduled for May 10-13, however due to the school being closed, it is on hold for now. 	

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The PRO Grant Mindfulness Workshop which was recently held was very informative and enjoyed by all who attended. There were 35 interested individuals and 19 people attended. 	
E.	Grade 8 Graduation	<p>Grade 8 Graduation Subcommittee:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> It is still unclear as to what graduation will look like for the grade 8's this year given the circumstances and current school closure. The plan for Grade 8 graduation is to do something similar to last year with graduation bags, supported by the School Staff, Student Council and Student Committees and Parent Council and Sub-committee. A Student committee is currently working on the yearbook. As there are limited pictures due to the virtual component, students are using creativity to put something together. The Grade 8 Parent Sub-Committee will propose ideas to support Graduation to Principal. Winnie will send an email out to all interested parents in joining this sub-committee. This sub-committee is planning to meet next week There are 38 graduating students in the class of 2021. Approximately \$700 was spent last year for the graduation bags. This amount included funding for the grad trip that did not materialize due to Covid, hence these funds were directed to support purchase of the yearbooks and graduation bag contents. A poll was taken during this meeting and nobody was opposed to doing the same this year utilizing a similar level of funding. It was noted that the diplomas only indicate YRDSB but there is no mention of SJAM. There are some diplomas from last year that have still not been picked up due to some students being virtual. There may be a possibility of a drop off to these students. 	
F.	Other Topics	Next School Council Virtual Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, May 25 at 5:30-6:30pm.	10 minutes
G.	Adjournment	Motion to Adjourn by: Lisa Zografos Time:	6:05pm

