

## **O.M. Mackillop School Council Meeting**

**Minutes – April 7th, 2025**

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- **Attendees:**
  - **School Staff:** Brandon Kliman (Principal)
  - **Parents:** JJ, LBN, VL, Camille
  - **Regrets:**
- **Welcome and Introductions**
- **Land Acknowledgment**
- **Meeting Norms**
  - Pausing, Paraphrasing, Posing Questions, Putting Ideas on the Table, Providing Data, Paying Attention To Self and Others, Presuming Positive Intentions and being conscious and respectful of everyone's time.
- **Approval of previous meeting's minutes**
- **Principal's Report:**
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    - Don Dearing Motivational Speaker
      - Olympic volleyball player - an inspirational speaker who spoke about his life challenges and how to overcome situations with a positive attitude
    - Spring Dance
      - Students had fun at the dance - an opportunity to interact with friends outside of the classroom, use the photo booth
    - School Update - 25/26 School Organization
      - Currently there are 10 homeroom classes, with a community class, next year we will have an additional junior/intermediate classroom
    - Unity Volleyball
      - Coaches ran volleyball clinics for grades 3/4 - 7/8 classes
    - Richmond Hill Soccer Club
      - Coaches ran soccer clinics for grade K-4/5 classes
    - School Assemblies - student led assemblies, celebrating learning and achievement in the past month
      - Friday, April 11th at 9:15, families invited to invited

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- Upcoming Dates
  - Day of Pink - Wednesday, April 9th
  - Earth Day - Tuesday, April 22
  - Dairy Farmers of Ontario Presentation
  - Rescue Lake Simcoe Watershed Program
  - Swim to Survive - grade 3s and 7s
- FNMI Presentation on May 14th
  - Metis musician, Alyssa Delbaere-Sawchuk to share about Metis culture through music
- Pro Grant - Family Science Night on May 8th
  - Scientist in the School - 2 sessions, 5:30pm / 7pm
  - 2 workshops being offered - families to choose one to attend
  - Library will have STEM activities that families can explore
- Welcome to Kindergarten on May 8th from 4-5pm
- School Tarmac Improvement
  - Over the summer, the tarmac will be closed
  - Students will have some input on the games that will be painted on the tarmac
  - There will be the addition of new benches by the shaded areas
- Staff Appreciation
  - Invitation to families to contribute to a staff appreciation lunch
- Year End Community Celebration - June 12th
  - Fire it Up BBQ to provide hot dogs and hamburgers
  - Board will provide \$500 for school engagement
  - Fun fair activities such as balloon animals, face painting, popcorn machine, possibly raffles and prizes
  - The Main Event - rent carnival games and inflatable games - budget of approximate \$1500-\$2000

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- **Questions and Comments:**

- Alexander MacKenzie drama department would like to come and perform for the students at MacKillop
- Grade 8 graduation - Thursday, June 19th
  - Small cohort of 16 students
  - More council support is welcome

**UPCOMING MEETINGS:**

**Monday, May 5th (in person)**

**Year End Community Celebration : Thursday, June 12th**