

AGENDA with Minutes

Oscar Peterson P.S. School Council Meeting

November 2, 2020, 7:00pm

<u>Council Executives</u>: Kate LoPresti and Amanda Dimilta, Co-chairs | Rebecca Holohan, Treasurer | Nehal Menon and Kelly Mohsenzadeh, Secretaries | Jacky Roncadin and Amma Wakefield, Events | Melanie Wright, PR |

21 Voting Members: Tina Day | Alicia Hanson-Bouwmeister | Melissa Kalmbach | Natasha Ince-Mercer | Ramona Lawrance | Maria Philp | Pauline Tam | Alison Hargreaves | Cecilia Pino | Cara Bartlett | Gayathri Innanje | Kate LoPresti | Amanda Dimilta | Rebecca Holohan | Nehal Menon | Kelly Mohsenzadeh | Jacky Roncadin | Amma Wakefield | Melanie Wright | Julie Duncan | Danielle Siapas

Staff: Naz Freeman, Principal | Jen Briggs, Vice Principal | Julie Duncan, Teacher | Danielle Siapas, ECE

 Item
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 Welcome
 Kate & Amanda

 Land Acknowledgment and learning piece:
 Amanda & Naz

 Learning Piece related to Treaty Recognition Week: https://www.ontario.ca/page/treaties#section-4
 Nehal & Kelly

-Kate, Rebecca, and Pauline

Action Items carry forward from October 5, 2020:

- X-Movement: Naz was to inquire regarding a refund versus credit for future. Resolve: Per X-Movement that due to Covid-19 economically are not able to provide a refund, however, has offered online courses for teachers to use for their classrooms in lieu of holding the funds for future. Admin has offered to transfer the outstanding costs related to X-Movement from the school council fund ledger to the school account to ensure the council funds raised during an academic year are used towards current school year.
- Tarmac repainting: Tina Day to ensure vendors are from board approved list. Voting Item. Resolve: Tina discussed with board approved vendor to repave and repaint tarmac for both Kindergarten and South entrance, total cost will be \$3150 taxes included.
 - Halloween costumes: Resolve: Halloween costumes were allowed with some exceptions such as additional accessories i.e. wands, masks etc.

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Naz & Jenn

Administrator's report & school news

Students sign out for lunch requires clarification, Naz will resend to the community of Gr. 7 & 8
 Classes

• Curriculum night:

Participation of survey was low however, the parents who did fill out the survey questionnaires did have a positive outlook. Many parents missed the survey in the slide show. Naz will reiterate it in the next community newsletter.

Chai and Chat:

Naz is looking to restart previous community involvement (stay tuned).

- X-Movement: see action item above as resolved.
- Cost Sharing Update: Haven't heard anything this year. Not sure if board has \$ to match. Last year funding went to Chromebooks. (Tech is still out in the community- waiting for the protocol from the board to determine next steps.)

School Budget Update:

• The budget has not been received from the board at this time and is unknown when that will happen. Changes are expected due to lower enrollment and PPE, COVID protocols.

• Updated Public Health Protocols:

Updated guidelines to the COVID checklist. A Decision Tree such as a self-isolation from 14 days to 10 days for a probable case. Noting no different information of public health protocols.

VIP Program:

Met with police officer that does teaching & learning. 4 Week learning program w. Grade 6's. Talk about cyber safety, tobacco, drug use. 1 Week for Grade 7's, 1 Day Grade 8's in the Spring. Done via Zoom.

Remembrance Day:

Teachers are preparing a presentation for 11am and informal classroom activities will be held through the day. Recess will be changed to accommodate for 11am.

• Report Cards:

PA Days are not changing therefore, the timing for parent teacher and reports to be delayed. Report cards will be provided after the parent/teacher interviews. Teachers will be able to provide an overview regardless of the report cards being delayed. Teacher's will discuss any issues regarding the child i.e. what's going well, what's working, not working. Report Card memo sent to teachers, to use their expertise in foreseeing the future of the student. Teachers have been asked to really take a great look given all the circumstances of Covid-19 when determining the progress of the child.

• RCT – Renewed Computer Technology:

Anyone in the community who requires any electronics that is struggling financially, there is a form to be filled or can discuss with Naz privately. (Idea to send to Mel to post on FB)

Parking Lot:

Parking of cars in the school lot in the morning when dropping off children continues to be an issue. Admin ordered some signs to alleviate the pressure of staff guiding traffic. 2 types of signs are ordered 1) authorized parking lot only & 2) bus lot will have timings as well. Church parking is limited to a certain number of spots and not covered for insurance purposes. Naz will also reach out to the town.

TVO PD Sessions:

- -2 break-out sessions with K- and primary for coding
- -free homework help for gr. 6 and up available on weekdays and weekend
- -completely safe, no real names, no video
- -online or telephone
- -TVO ambassadors are willing to come to school virtually to provide support to teachers

Kiwanis Funds Update:

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A non-profit organization teamed up with Staples to raise funds & OPPS received \$1000 gift card. Admin will be able to spend monies on items not available through board website.

Questions from Council Parents

- RE: Winter gear still trying to figure it out. No answer yet, started the conversations. Put out to staff, we know cold is coming indoor recess, tarmac only due to ice/unsafe. Tarmac doesn't cut it for cohorts.
- Parking Lot/Tarmac Issue: Nehal: Teachers using church lot, not doable, but great idea.
- RE: Virtual learning & progress reports: Will kids still get similar feedback, but also reflected about learning curve at school & learning tech. A number of kids didn't even get online teacher until end of first week of October!
- RE: The google form was sent in a community update a while back will get that sent out again re Lunch Sign-out.
- RE: Swan Lake Outdoor Edu sometimes the kids would have gone to this in the past. They'll be coming to us. Grades 2 & 4.
- RE: Tina: Is there something they can do with snowshoes in winter, kids loved them. Naz approved this already! In January. We need to have snow! (3)

Fundraising/events:

- Welcome back Jacky Roncadin has joined as co-event coordinator!
- On-line auction
 - -Naz spoke to the board with online auctions as nothing can be dropped off to the school -all items must be shipped to the parents' house
 - -the board member denied request for the online auction, but may be considered if item can be shipped directly to house
- Other Kelly and Events direct mail
 - -Jacky summarized a number of options.
 - -Discussion around fundraising protocols. Naz will share with the executives to determine what the COVID protocol is. Are there any fundraising items where there are 'no touch'? Can it be done over an app. Run some fundraising options directly.

Tarmac Game Painting:

• Kate looked at other companies, but suggested we go back to original company due to stencils. John Sylvester – did in 2015. Only work until Friday, but he can fit us in before Friday! \$2000 for back tarmac + \$1000 JK, 4 square = \$150. \$3150. Done by Friday, come by 9:30am. COVID protocol. Paint dries quickly – but prefer to leave alone by afternoon. Tina will connect vendor w. Naz.

Financial Report: Rebecca

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OPPS 2020-2021 School Council Fund Requests As of November 3, 2020

Opening Balance (as of September 2020)

\$24,281.14

Allocated for 2020-21 Year	Manager	Voted	Budgeted	Spent	Balance
Cost Sharing	N. Freeman	June 2020	\$6,200.00	\$0.00	\$6,200.00
Outdoor Classroom	C. Warrener	June 2020	\$2,000.00	\$0.00	\$2,000.00
Grade 8 Grad for 2019/20	N. Freeman	June 2020	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00
Lice Check	A. Harris	June 2020	\$800.00	\$0.00	\$800.00
Plants at entry	R. Holohan	June 2020	\$80.00	\$0.00	\$80.00
Compassionate Care	R. Holohan	June 2020	\$60.00	\$0.00	\$60.00
Pizza/Sub starting budget	N. Ince-Mercer	June 2020	\$50.00	\$0.00	\$50.00
Tarmac Painting	T. Day	Nov 2020	\$3,150.00	\$0.00	\$3,150.00
		TOTAL	\$13,340.00	\$0.00	\$13,340.00

 Sub-total
 \$13,340.00

 Sub-total with 5% buffer
 \$14,007.00

 Non-allocated funds
 \$10,274.14

 TOTAL
 \$24,281.14

Voting items: 17 responses all passed

 Request from Naz to change the School Council Constitution to allow for 2 voting options for 1 teaching rep and 1 non-teaching rep to match the Ministry Guidelines. - passed

• Release allocated Supply Teacher Funds: (\$3,000) - passed

• Tarmac Game Painting: \$3,150 - passed

QCHM (questions, comments, happy moments)

- Maria: Do schools have a pool for supply teachers? Schools have a preferred list. (Star system to put out calls to the person.) A lot of supply teachers have taken themselves off the list. Unfortunately, we don't have that right now and only allowed to be on one preferred list.
- Melanie: Maybe we can get the school sign updated? 😂

Motion to adjourn the meeting:

- -Kelly and I motion to adjourn.
- Future Meetings: Dec 7th, Jan 11th, Feb 8th, Apr 12th, May 3rd, Jun 14th.