



# AGENDA & MINUTES - Approved

Oscar Peterson P.S. School Council Meeting

Monday, April 11, 2022, 7:00pm

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Kate LoPresti, Co-chair | Amma Wakefield, Treasurer | Kelly Mohsenzadeh, Secretary | Pauline Tam & Maria Kirtin, Events | Melanie Wright, PR

Staff: Naz Freeman, Principal | Jennifer Briggs, Vice Principal | Staff Rep: Julie Duncan & Linda Lebelle

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Item	Owner
<b>Welcome</b>	<b>Kate</b>
<b>Land Acknowledgment and Learning Piece</b>	<b>Kate</b>
How many Indigenous languages are spoken in Ontario? Ontario is home to six Indigenous language families- Anishinaabek, Onkwehonwe, Mushkegowuk, Lunaape, Inuktitut and Michif, which include over 18 unique languages and dialects.	
Rainey River District School Board has a program called “Let’s Speak Ojibwe” which has helped expand and sustain language in several communities	
<b>Approval of last meeting’s minutes</b>	<b>Kate</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Pauline Tam, Kate LoPresti</li></ul>	
<b>Administrator’s Update &amp; School News</b>	<b>Naz</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>PEAC Symposium - May 4th – Virtual<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>The purpose of PEAC is to provide a forum for sharing of information between parents and the board. The Symposium is virtual and will have interesting Keynote speakers and breakout room with different workshops. More than 20 workshops are being planned.</li><li>Due to the fact that the Symposium is virtual, each school can send 10 representatives instead of 3 as was in previous years.</li><li>If interested in attending this virtual YRDSB symposium, please email the school council email address by end of this week - <a href="mailto:oscar.peterson.ps@sc.yrdsb.ca">oscar.peterson.ps@sc.yrdsb.ca</a>.</li></ul></li><li>Class planning for next year<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Class placement forms will be sent out with the school newsletter on Friday and will be due mid-May.</li><li>The class placement form is intended to capture the strengths and needs of a student, teaching styles that are suited for the student and peers that a student would like to be in the same class with. It is not intended to be used to ask to be in a specific teacher’s class. The information is used in placement meetings with teaching staff.</li><li>Staffing numbers are usually determined at this time of year, but it is on hold because of the decision to have a separate EVS next year. Deadline was April 7 for parents to submit whether their children will be attending EVS so once those numbers are known then staffing numbers will be determined.</li></ul></li><li>Grade 8 Graduation<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>The committee met with Spring Lakes. Graduation date is set for Monday, June 27. Menu options are being discussed.</li><li>Grade 8 hoodies were ordered.</li></ul></li></ul>	



- Is there going to be a grade 8 trip? The Board has put all field trips on hold. Discussions will be held once the Board has lifted the restrictions.
- Time for grad – still working out details.
  
- X-movement – potential for Spring date
  - Naz is trying to book them for May, and also for the Fall. Naz will provide an update for next meeting.
  
- Covid Reporting
  - Question was asked about covid reporting and at what point does Admin make a call to close the school?
  - Answer: In order to provide homeroom coverage for staff that may be off sick or otherwise, some prep coverages are being cancelled in order to fill these positions. There is no specific capacity about closing schools. Attendance is checked every night and a report is sent to the superintendent. Board is hesitant to shut down schools due to hardships to families and is a last resort.

### **Fundraising/Events Update:**

### **School Council Exec**

- School Lunch Programs – Pizza Recap (bins vote) and Volunteer Overview
  - We're our 3<sup>rd</sup> week. It's gone pretty well. Brigitte, Mel, Kate and Natasha have been helping.
  - Bins – a vote was distributed via email to spend \$500 towards the purchase of bins so that the pizza could be packed by class. The vote passed and 30 bins were purchased by Pizza Pizza on our behalf.
  - Pizza Pizza packs the orders by bin. Worked really well. Parent volunteers attach class list to each bin. Takes about 30 minutes.
  - Sold 450 slices in the first cycle. Hoping that sales will go up in subsequent cycles.
  - Pizza Pizza has been great to work with. Very accommodating.
  - Student feedback is that they like Pizza Pizza better than Pizza Nova.
  - Thank you to Natasha for organizing!
  - Volunteers needed:
    - Pizza volunteers to be at the school on Fridays for about 30 minutes
    - Lunch coordinator – Natasha will be stepping down after this year. The new lunch coordinator can shadow Natasha for the rest of the year to learn the process
    - Volunteer coordinator – organize/schedule volunteers for lunchtime
  - Bonnie Chu is interested in volunteering for lunch
  
- PRO Grant – Approval – Kate
  - YouthSpeak Community Presentation on Anti-Racism – April 28<sup>th</sup> at Harry Bowes
  
- Big Box of Cards Fundraiser
  - Today was the last day to order – shipped to the school and we will have a date soon for pickup 2-3 weeks out
  - 110 boxes sold so far
  - Potentially extending the campaign for 1 more day to capture any late orders.
  
- Earth Day Fundraiser – Plantables – launching week of April 11
  - Plantables Fundraiser starts this week! Order veggie and herb plants and have them ship directly to your house, ongoing fundraiser until June
  - Great feedback on the plants received last year
  - <https://plantables.ca>, code OPPS on checkout
  
- Little Caesars Fundraiser – launching week of Apr. 19



- pizza kits – 8 different kinds
- all orders to be made through the little Caesar’s site
- Earn \$6 per kit sold
- all kits will be delivered to the school for distribution
  
- African Dance Fusion Event - End of Year Concert
  - On hold. School board hasn’t opened community events yet.
  - Suggestion to have a Food truck festival organized by Parent Council towards the end of June. Looking for people to help organize.
    - Amanda Dimilta volunteered to help
      - suggested asking Jimmy – Ice Cream Truck
    - Maybe a Monday/Tuesday evening
    - Naz will let us know when community events will be allowed
    - Suggestion from Cecilia: pre-order food packages for more predictability on how many people are attending and people can set up lawn chairs and games outside.

**Financial Report:**

**Amma**

Review of Budget

- \$500 was transferred from the Poinsettia fundraiser to purchase the bins for the Pizza lunches via e-vote.
- \$138 from the Pink Shirt event was donated to Kids Help Phone

**Note:**

\$500 transferred from Poinsettia to Pizza Lunch (Pizza Bins)

OPPS 2021-22 School Council Funds					
As of April 5, 2022					
<b>Opening Balance</b>					<b>\$2,154.73</b>
<i>Allocated for 2021-2022 Year</i>	Manager	Voted	Budgeted	Spent	Balance
Plants at entry	R. Holohan	June 2020	\$80.00	\$36.14	\$43.86
Compassionate Care	R. Holohan	March 2021	\$150.00	\$0.00	\$150.00
Outdoor Classroom	S. Dart	Annual	\$2,000.00	\$0.00	\$2,000.00
Grade 8 Grad for 2021/22	N. Freeman	Annual	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00
Pizza		Annual	\$50.00	\$0.00	\$50.00
YRDSB SGF Option Tech Order	N. Freeman	Oct 25 2021	\$12,084.00	\$12,084.00	\$0.00
			<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$15,364.00</b>	<b>\$3,243.86</b>
				<b>Sub-total of Allocated Funds</b>	<b>\$3,243.86</b>
				<b>Sub-total with 5% buffer</b>	<b>\$3,406.05</b>
<i>School Council Fund Type for 2021-2022 Year</i>			Credit	Debit	Balance
Poinsettia Fundraiser 2021			\$2,760.00	\$1,717.60	<b>\$542.40</b>
Pizza Lunch			\$5,055.00	\$1,857.44	<b>\$3,197.56</b>
Big Box of Cards			\$2,182.68		<b>\$2,182.68</b>
				<b>Total Non-allocated funds</b>	<b>\$5,922.64</b>
				<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$2,516.59</b>



**Voting items:** n/a

**QCHM** (questions, comments, happy moments)

- Naz gave a shout out to the staff at Oscar Peterson for going above and beyond and being amazing.
- Melissa is thankful for Pizza Day. Gives a taste of normal. Very grateful to not have to make lunch on Fridays.
- Rebecca also said that the staff at Oscar Peterson are amazing.

**Motion to adjourn the meeting**

Rebecca Holohan, Melissa Kalmbach

**Future Meeting Dates: May 9, Jun 13**

**Attendance:**

Kate LoPresti (V)	Jennifer Briggs	Naz Freeman	Alison Hargreaves (V)
Brigitte Arsenault (V)	Rebecca Holohan (V)	Pauline Tam (V)	Linda Myrskog-Lebelle
Ramona Lawrance	Tania Papaikonomou	Amma Wakefield (V)	Bonnie Chu (V)
Amanda Dimilta	Cecilia Pino	Melissa Kalmbach (V)	Natasha Inca-Mercer (V)
Julie Duncan (V)	Elli Pears		