

# Oscar Peterson P.S. – School Council Meeting Minutes -

October 17, 2022 | 7:00 PM ET – In person – Library

## Parent Council Executives:

Co-Chair : Kelly Mohsenzadeh & Nehal Menon | Treasurer : Amma Wakefield | Co-Secretary: Nadine William & Vivian Tse | Events & Fundraising Coordinators: Pauline Tam, Aleen Roecken, Natasha Ince-Mercer & Bonnie Chu | Public Relations: Elli Pears

## School Staff:

Naz Freeman, Principal | Vanessa Collabwalla, Vice Principal | Staff Rep: Julie Duncan

## Attendance:

See Parent Council Secretary for information

Item	Owner
<p>Welcome</p> <p>Meeting called to order by Nehal Menon</p> <p><i>Land Acknowledgment and Learning Piece</i></p> <p>Please see below link to resource by The National Centre for Truth and Reconciliation (NCTR) <a href="https://nctr.ca/education/trw/">https://nctr.ca/education/trw/</a></p> <p><i>Approval of Last Meeting's Minutes:</i></p> <p>The minutes were presented from the September 2022 meeting. Approved by Aleen Roecken and seconded by Pauline Tam.</p>	<p>Kelly &amp; Nehal</p>
<p><i>Administrator's Update &amp; School News</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. School Start-up Update               <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. All reorganization of classes have occurred, phone calls were made to the families of the affected students</li> <li>b. School registration is currently sitting at 770 students from JK-GR8</li> </ol> </li> <li>2. Terry Fox Fundraising               <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. School raised approx. \$10,300 in the 2022 Terry Fox run, original target was \$6,000</li> <li>b. Total to date raised is approx.. \$100K since the school has opened</li> <li>c. Great commitment from staff; students came up with pie in the face, tape a teacher to the wall, kiss a farm animal, spicy noodle challenge, beards were shaved, line dancing etc.</li> </ol> </li> <li>3. Diamond Days               <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Significant Faith Days are referred to as a Diamond Day on the school calendar b. Internally they are called Diamond Days/ Externally they are Significant Faith Days</li> <li>c. The Faith Day calendar can be found on the YRDSB website, a “diamond day” is a significant day where no exams, meetings, field trips etc. are scheduled to be inclusivity for all</li> <li>d. Diamond Days are picked by committee selection</li> </ol> </li> <li>4. Outdoor Classroom</li> </ol>	<p>Principal Nazreen Freeman and Vice-Principal Vanessa Colabawalla</p>



- a. Stouffville Legacy Grant has been received \$10K.  
Applications for \$3K grant from Desjardins & \$10K multi language learner grant from Best Buy have been submitted.
- b. Plan is to purchase and plant 5 additional trees, galvanized troughs to replace current wooden raised gardens.
- c. Plan is to start construction/implementation in Spring, waiting for approvals
- d. Trees will be planted in an oval to facilitate learning/outdoor classroom
- e. Working with local vendor to create sit spots, and erect possible pergola

Pauline

5. Council Fund Request

- a. OP staff have a running wish list where leadership team approves, then after considering MSDS (Material Safety Data Sheet), usefulness, cost and if there is space for such wishes – these items will be present to council to decide

6. Additional Topics

- Scooters hazard, chain them up to fence or bike racks
- Used Board games needed in the classrooms- accepting donations
- Cross country 18 regional qualifiers
- Overtime discussion for money from council for staff
- Need for Chrome books – inventory for school is currently for 35% of students
- Book fair November 14-18

Amma

*Events & Fundraising Update*

1. Macmillan fundraiser- sold 459 items (125 orders), raised \$2,600
2. Order has been submitted to arrange for pickup / distribution
3. Fall market at the gym. Wednesday 5-9pm November 23, looking for 28 -30 vendors, 25 vendors to go - Tables \$35 for space, if they need table \$15, email council at councilopps@gmail.com
4. Movie night also in discussion, 2 nights Primary movie night/ Secondary movie night
5. One more fundraiser before winter break also in discussion
6. Pizza and sub orders are being finalized

*Financial Report*

1. 2 items to double check on spend from last years approved budget
2. Decided that we will not do lice checks this time round as cost has increased significantly.  
Administration to share messaging regarding home lice checks and how to's
3. Expenses for budget line Scientists in the school will slowly trickle in through the year as teachers plan for their sessions
4. Mr. Stover looking at the budget for the fitness club, exploring other approved vendors for purchase

**OPPS 2021-22 School Council Funds**  
As of September 30, 2022

Opening Balance (September 30, 2022)					\$20,435.00	①
Allocated for 2021-2022 Year	Manager	Voted	Budgeted	Spent	Balance	
Cost Sharing	N. Freeman	Annual				
Plants at Entry	R. Holohan	Annual	\$80.00		\$80.00	
Compassionate Care	R. Holohan	Annual	\$150.00		\$150.00	
Outdoor Classroom	S. Dart	Annual	\$2,000.00		\$2,000.00	
Grade 8 Grad for 2022/23	N. Freeman	Annual	\$1,000.00		\$1,000.00	
Pizza Bins	N. Ince-Mercer	Annual	\$500.00		\$500.00	
Scientists in Schools	N. Freeman	Jun 15, 2022	\$3,450.00		\$3,450.00	
Library Proposal - Two New iPads		Jun 15, 2022	\$1,038.00		\$1,038.00	} = \$ 8,680
School Fitness Club		Jun 15, 2022	\$1,112.00		\$1,112.00	
Lice Checks		Jun 15, 2022	\$800.00		\$800.00	
Summer Institute		Jun 15, 2022	\$2,290.00		\$2,290.00	
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>\$12,380.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$12,380.00</b>	
Balance of Allocated					\$12,380.00	
Allocated with 5% buffer					\$12,999.00	②
Total Non-allocated funds					-\$2,563.12	③

- ① Opening Balance
- ② Total committed funds with 5% buffer
- ③ Balance: ② - ①

*Voting Items*

No voting items have been recorded for this meeting

*Future Meeting Dates:*

November 21 at 7:00 PM ET in OPPS Library  
 2023- January 9, February 6, March 6, May 8, June 12 , June 26

Motion to adjourn was made at 8:38PM ET, by Pauline Tam, seconded by Maria Kirton