

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

Monday September 16<sup>th</sup>, 2024 | 6:30 PM ET – In Library and Online

### Parent Council Executives:

Co-Chair: Kelly Mohsenzadeh & Nehal Menon | Co-Treasurer: Natasha Ince-Mercer & Nadine Williams  
| Secretary: Sabrina Ramphal | Events & Fundraising Coordinators: Elli Pears & Christina Assuncao |  
Public Relations: Pauline Tam | Lunch Coordinator: Kate LoPresti & Elaine Lehman | Lunch Scheduler:  
Sharisse Woodyer-Lisozzi

### School Staff:

Principal: Julia De Rose | Vice Principal: Megan Scott | Staff Member: Julie Duncan

### Attendance:

See Parent Council Secretary for Information

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<p><b>Land Acknowledgment:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Nehal presented the Land Acknowledgment</li></ul> <p><b>Welcome &amp; Open Meeting:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Introduction of 2023/2024 Co-Chairs: <b>Nehal Menon &amp; Kelly Mohsenzadeh</b></li><li>Introduction of Principal: <b>Julia De Rose &amp; Vice Principal: Megan Scott</b></li><li>Learning Piece to be presented by the Principal (Julia De Rose) &amp; Vice Principal (Megan Scott)</li></ul>	Kelly & Nehal
<p><b>Approval of Last Meeting's Minutes (June 18<sup>th</sup>, 2024):</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Ramona / Sharisse</li></ul>	Sabrina
<p><b>Council Elections for 2024/2025 School Year:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Review of Online Votes via PowerSchool (Start-Up Forms) &amp; Google Form in conjunction with live paper vote based on candidates for Executive roles – <b>Voting has passed on the 2024/2025 OPPS School Council Executives.</b></li><li>Link to our Constitution, which defines the roles within School Council: <a href="http://www.yrdsb.ca/schools/oscarpeterson.ps/SchoolCouncil/Documents/SD-Constitution.pdf">http://www.yrdsb.ca/schools/oscarpeterson.ps/SchoolCouncil/Documents/SD-Constitution.pdf</a></li><li><b>OPPS School Council Executives 2024/2025 School Year:</b><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>❖ <b>Co-Chairs:</b> Nehal Menon &amp; Kelly Mohsenzadeh</li><li>❖ <b>Secretary:</b> Sabrina Ramphal</li><li>❖ <b>Co-Treasurers:</b> Natasha Ince-Mercer &amp; Nadine Williams</li><li>❖ <b>Public Relations:</b> Pauline Tam</li><li>❖ <b>Event/Fundraising Coordinators:</b> Elli Pears &amp; Christina Assuncao</li><li>❖ <b>Lunch Coordinators:</b> Kate LoPresti &amp; Elaine Lehman</li><li>❖ <b>Lunch Scheduler:</b> Sharisse Woodyer-Lisozzi</li></ul></li></ul>	Julia & Megan

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<p>❖ <b>Staff Representative:</b> Julie Duncan</p> <p><i>"The role of the Parent Council is to contribute to the goal of student achievement, to inform parents/guardians about school details, to assist in raising funds, &amp; to create a platform for positive collaboration."</i></p> <p><b>See below link for our OPPS 2024/2025 Voting Members:</b></p> <p><a href="http://www.yrdsb.ca/schools/oscarpeterson.ps/SchoolCouncil/Pages/Membership.aspx">http://www.yrdsb.ca/schools/oscarpeterson.ps/SchoolCouncil/Pages/Membership.aspx</a></p>	<p>Julia &amp; Megan</p>
<p><b>Council Meeting Decorum:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Vulnerable Sector Screening check and/or Annual Offence Declaration sign-off:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Council Members need to have a vulnerable check completed</li> <li>❖ If one is already in place – "Volunteer Annual Offence Declaration" an annual sign off must be completed each year  <a href="http://www.yrdsb.ca/schools/windhamridge.ps/parents/Documents/volunteer%20annual%20offence%20declaration.pdf">http://www.yrdsb.ca/schools/windhamridge.ps/parents/Documents/volunteer%20annual%20offence%20declaration.pdf</a></li> </ul> </li> <li>• <i>Process for requesting agenda items:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ If you would like to see a specific item or topic in the meeting agenda for future School Council meetings; please email Council with to attention to the Co-Chairs Nehal &amp; Kelly.</li> <li>❖ OPPS School Council email address: <a href="mailto:councilopps@gmail.com">councilopps@gmail.com</a></li> </ul> </li> <li>• <i>Housekeeping:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ School Council Meetings are to discuss &amp; contribute to the success of the school &amp; student achievement. To inform Parents/Guardians about school details, to assist in raising funds, &amp; to create a positive platform for collaboration. Please do not discuss anything specific to your child in these meetings. Kindly reach out to our Administration Team (Julia De Rose (Principal) or Megan Scott (Vice Principal))</li> <li>❖ Phones are to be placed on silent</li> <li>❖ No side conversations</li> <li>❖ Be mindful of your talking time</li> <li>❖ If you choose to join us online, please mute your microphone</li> <li>❖ Raise your hand/or send a message in the chat (online meeting attendees)</li> <li>❖ Support one speaker at a time</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <i>Setting "Time":</i> New meeting time for School Council Meeting will be from 6:30 pm – 7:30 pm. See the below section "Meeting Dates" for our upcoming meetings.</li> </ul>	<p>Kelly &amp; Nehal</p>
<p><b>Principal &amp; Vice Principal Report:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>School Start Up Updates:</i></li> </ul>	<p>Julia &amp; Megan</p>

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Welcome to: LTO Sarah Warrener (Grades Four-Five), Shalini Mathanrajah (Community Class), Kaline Rozek (Secretary A)</li> <li>❖ Professional Learning in the afternoons – Release of Teachers for prep</li> <li>❖ Safe &amp; Caring School Assembly week of September 9<sup>th</sup></li> <li>❖ Terry Fox Assembly – September 16<sup>th</sup></li> <li>❖ Respect &amp; Good News Assembly – September 25<sup>th</sup>, Two Assemblies (K-Grade Three)&amp; (Grade Four – Grade Eight); celebrating good news within the Students &amp; performances by Students. Parents are welcome to attend.</li> <li>❖ Terry Fox Run – September 26<sup>th</sup>, 2024</li> <li>❖ PA Day – Professional Activity Day, Health &amp; Safety Training for Staff</li> <li>❖ Truth &amp; Reconciliation Day Assembly – September 30<sup>th</sup>, Two Assemblies (K-Grade Three)&amp; (Grade Four – Grade Eight), learning about Residential Schools.</li> <li>❖ Photo Day – October 7<sup>th</sup>; **Grade Eight trip does not impact their photos</li> <li>❖ Students: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Flag Football Team &amp; Intermediate Volleyball Teams are up &amp; running</li> <li>➤ Cross Country Practice, Grades Three – Grades Eight. Lead by Ms. Dart, Ms. Kim, Ms. Warrener &amp; Ms. McWilliams.</li> <li>➤ Grade Eight Students volunteer sign up for presenting morning announcements – spots have filled up until June 2025!</li> <li>➤ Disc Golf – Borrowed from the School Board for two weeks – each Grade will be able to utilize.</li> <li>➤ The Gym is now opened for Grades Four – Grades Eight during morning recess</li> <li>➤ Opened basketball courts during morning recess</li> <li>➤ Games Club will be back soon in the Library</li> <li>➤ Installing hooks in some classrooms</li> <li>➤ Installing garbage cans in the yard – to keep the grounds clean</li> <li>➤ Student Council start up for Grades six-Grades Eight; broken down into sub-committees (MC for Assemblies, Door Holder, Assembly Creator, etc.)</li> <li>➤ Student Lunch Monitors sign up – opened to Grades four-eight</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <i>Visitor Protocol:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Parents are to enter through the Office – sign in – a visitor badge must be worn during visit at the School.</li> <li>➤ **Lunch Assistants photo day on October 7<sup>th</sup> – to retain their Staff badge</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<p>Julia &amp; Megan</p>

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>School Fundraising Plan:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ A draft School Fundraising Plan has been created &amp; shared with Staff</li> <li>➤ The School Fundraising Plan is in relation to the four areas of the Directors plan</li> <li>➤ Administration will consult with Staff with regards to the School Fundraising Plan</li> <li>➤ Will present this Plan to Staff at the beginning of October in their monthly meeting</li> <li>➤ Big item/feedback from Staff to date has been funding for technology</li> <li>➤ Cost Share opens on November 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	Julia & Megan
<p><i>Financial Report:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No Significant changes – add approx. \$60.00 from Mabel’s Labels to School Council Funds</li> <li>• More updates to follow with regards to Financials in October 2024 School Council meeting.</li> </ul>	Natasha & Nadine
<p><i>Events:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Establish a “Fun Fair Committee” - Try to start gathering donations earlier</li> <li>• Elli passed around a sign-up sheet</li> </ul>	Elli
<p><i>Hot Lunch Program:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2023/2024 Hot Lunch Program was a huge success!</li> <li>• Elaine Lehman will be assisting Kate with the coordination of the 2024/2025 Hot Lunch Program</li> <li>• Sharisse Woodyer-Lisozzi is the new Lunch Scheduler</li> <li>• Pizza Pizza &amp; Astoria Greek will be the returning vendors for the 2024/2025 school year. Pizza Pizza (Wednesday’s) &amp; Astoria Greek (Friday’s)</li> <li>• Looking to launch Hot Lunch orders on October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024; with delivery to begin the week of October 7<sup>th</sup>, 2024</li> <li>• Introduction of a new way of placing lunch orders on School Cash Online; parents will be able to order on a weekly basis, rather than a cycle basis – orders will go directly to the vendor. **Further communication will be emailed out to Parents/Guardians**</li> <li>• **If your child will be away on day of an ordered hot lunch – please consider the missed lunch as a donation to the school. Pick-ups will no longer be accepted.</li> </ul>	Kate
<p><i>Good News:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• New section added to the agenda – for anyone to share “good news”</li> <li>• Shared by a Parent: Mrs. De Rose is doing an amazing job. Her son likes</li> </ul>	Kelly & Nehal

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<p>new Principal with all the structure she has brought to the school.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Grade Six are excited to be able to have a chance to be a part of the OPPS Student Council.</li> <li>• Grade six students are excited to be able to use lockers this year!</li> <li>• Shared by Parents – Cross Country, Grade threes are excited to be able to join a Team! This is the only sport where Grades three-eight come together and participate together.</li> </ul>	Kelly & Nehal
<p><b><i>Adjourn Meeting Approval:</i></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Kristy &amp; Elli</li> </ul>	Sabrina
<p><b><i>Meeting Dates:</i></b></p> <p>October 7<sup>th</sup>, November 4<sup>th</sup>, December 2<sup>nd</sup> (TBC), January 13<sup>th</sup>, February 3<sup>rd</sup>, March 3<sup>rd</sup>, April 7<sup>th</sup>, May 5<sup>th</sup>, June 2<sup>nd</sup> &amp; June 16<sup>th</sup> (TBC)</p> <p>Meeting Time: 6:30 pm -7:30 pm</p> <p>Location: OPPS Library</p>	
<p><b><i>Teams Meeting Link for Online Attendees:</i></b></p> <p>Microsoft Teams <a href="#">Need help?</a></p> <p><a href="#">Join the meeting now</a></p> <p>Meeting ID: 271 953 952 872</p>	