

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

Monday November 4<sup>th</sup>, 2024 | 6:30 PM ET – In Library & 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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| <b>Welcome &amp; Open Meeting:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Land Acknowledgement presented by Nehal.</li></ul>  | Kelly & Nehal |
| <b>Approval of Last Meeting's Minutes (October 7<sup>th</sup>, 2024):</b><br>Pauline & Sharisse  | Sabrina       |
| <b>Hot Lunch Program:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Preeti Patel – New Lunch Coordinator Volunteer</li><li>Pizza &amp; Greek lunch orders have increased</li><li>Special Event day order – Booster Juice, orders are now live on Healthy Hunger. Two options are available; delivery is November 12<sup>th</sup> &amp; December 10<sup>th</sup> during morning recess.</li><li>Special Event day order – Plates &amp; Bowls, four options available (meat is halal), now live on Healthy Hunger. Delivery is on November 25<sup>th</sup> at lunch.</li><li>Team is still looking into different vendors.</li><li>Criteria for sourcing new vendors must fit the “Healthy Schools Policy” i.e. No caffeine, allergy concerns, cultural concerns, etc.</li><li>Feedback with regards to the Lunch Program should be sent to <a href="mailto:oppspizza@gmail.com">oppspizza@gmail.com</a></li></ul> <b>School Council Forum:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Event is a Board initiative – held in different regions with in YRDSB</li><li>Wednesday October 30<sup>th</sup>, at New Market High School was the Forum staff (Julia De Rose) /Council members attended from OPPS.</li><li>Kate, Facilitated a session on Fundraising<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➤ Barriers School Council faces with fundraising money over the years.</li><li>➤ Provided feedback to the School Board</li><li>➤ Superintendent, Trustee, Directors from the YRDSB were in</li></ul></li></ul> | Kate          |

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| attendance.   | Kate             |
| <p><b>Learning Byte:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Professional Learning Communities: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Concentration on new Literacy Program</li> <li>➤ Exploring: How have we been thought to read? What is the impact that it has today?</li> <li>➤ Video: “Lit Bit – Four Principals of our language civilization” (Located on the internal Board website – Curriculum Services) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Based on and informed by Evidence</li> <li>❖ Student Centered</li> <li>❖ Transferable Skills/Digital Literacy</li> <li>❖ Integrated and cross circular learning</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> <li>Rolled out to Teachers in September 2023</li> <li>Based on data through conferences/screeners. i.e. what is best for students.</li> <li>Literacy teaching can happen in art, drama, etc.</li> <li>Lee-Ann Lear, SyllaSense – coming to OPPS to run a professional learning training to Teachers, over the next several weeks. K-Grade 8 Teachers to partake.</li> </ul>  | Megan            |
| <p><b>Principal &amp; Vice Principal Report:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Volleyball Teams have had great success thus far</li> <li>Boys Volleyball – will be at SDSS on Tuesday November 4<sup>th</sup></li> <li>Cross Country was a great success – 5 Banners coming to the OPPS to be hung in the gym.</li> <li>Change the World Club is underway</li> <li>South Asian Student Association, ran a Diwali workshop</li> <li>Pumpkin Decorating Contest, a parent of the community found a donation of Pumpkins to OPPS for each Grade. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Each Grade decorated a Pumpkin</li> <li>➤ Mr. Whiton’s class won the contest (Cinderella’s Carriage) – prize free gym session</li> </ul> </li> <li>Clean up the yard club – every Thursday</li> <li>Tuck Shop – Cookies &amp; Popcorn</li> <li>Book Fair – November 11<sup>th</sup> – November 15<sup>th</sup></li> <li>Remembrance Day Assembly – K-Grade 6, parents are welcome to attend the assembly held in the OPPS Gym. Grades 7-8 will attend the Remembrance Day event at the Stouffville Legion.</li> <li>Parent Teacher Interviews – Evening of November 14<sup>th</sup> – November 15<sup>th</sup></li> <li>Building: Purchased overhead projectors for four classrooms</li> <li>Staffing: Sarah Warrener to remain as the Teacher in the Grade 5/6 class – extended until December 20<sup>th</sup>.</li> </ul> | Megan            |
| <p><b>Financial Report:</b></p> <p>**See below for Financial Snap Shot as of November 4<sup>th</sup>, 2024</p>  | Natasha & Nadine |

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Parent Volunteers needed to help with sorting &amp; running the event the day of.</li> <li>❖ Whatever items are left over, it will be donated.</li> <li>• No Holiday Market this year.</li> </ul>  | Elli & Christina |
| <p><b>Good News:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Parent Feedback: Good News Assembly – thank you to Admin for including Parents</li> <li>• Students are enjoying their new Student Lunch Monitors</li> </ul> <p>**Co Chairs (Nehal &amp; Kelly) are going to send an email to Council to brainstorm ideas/provide feedback with regards to a Community Workshop, i.e. what speaker you would like to see, etc. This is in regards to the “Pro Grant” of \$800.00 for Parents to partake in; which is a part of the Director’s Annual Plan.</p> | Kelly & Nehal    |
| <p><b>Adjourn Meeting Approval:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Elli &amp; Sharisse</li> </ul>   | Sabrina          |
| <p><b>Meeting Dates:</b></p> <p>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>Teams Meeting Link for Online Attendees:</b></p> <p>Microsoft Teams <a href="#">Need help?</a><br/> <a href="#">Join the meeting now</a><br/> Meeting ID: 289 254 323 550<br/> Passcode: D4kn26</p>   |                  |