



## Oscar Peterson School Council Meeting

May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2017. 7:00 pm.

MINUTES

---

**Attending:** Amanda Dimilta, Melanie Wright, Jo-Anne Jessup, Kate LoPresti, Dallas James, Kiran Mamman, Mary Kambanis, Pauline Tam, Tina Day, Julie Carroll, Kelly Mohsenzadeh, Brigitte Arsenault, Sarah Tan.

**Staff:** Farooq Shabbar, Vivienne Baines, Cheryl Warrener, Julie Duncan.

**Welcome** - Dallas James

### **Acceptance of April 2017 Meeting Minutes**

**Motion** to accept the minutes from the April 17, 2017 council meeting put forward by Dallas, seconded by Melanie. **Carried.**

### **Teacher presentation – Julie Duncan**

**Flexible seating pilot request.** Has seen great success with bucket rocker chairs during silent reading time. Using standing tables, sitting low to ground, using pillows on floor. Students sit longer and are more comfortable. *Details attached.*

[Video re: Flexible Classrooms.]

2017-18 Julie will have tables rather than individual desks. Attached list re: start up cost. Every child needs an option. Other primary classroom teachers on board as well and would like to see it in action. Start from first day in September. If student not working well in a certain area will be asked to move. Found best prices, total is approximately **\$1221** with tax.

Question about any negatives? No. Have never had to ask a child to come off the rocker chair. If being silly, will be asked to move.

Question about collecting data or sharing results with other schools? Would be based on student success. Has seen massive improvement with challenging behaviours. Has seen measured growth in independence and abilities. Anecdotal.

Question about visiting other classes? Has not, but did research and spoke with colleagues.

Question about long-term planning, if we fund and it's amazing, what happens next?  
Farooq: nothing new. This is the way learning happens now. Collaborative environments. Teachers can be as creative as they want in setting up their classrooms. Discussion re: could be a long term funding plan for council, if successful and something that council would like to focus on going forward.

Question re: difficulty going back to traditional desks? Pros and cons. More flexibility throughout the grades.

Question re: used throughout the day or just certain times? Certain times but flexible "seating" throughout.

### **Osmo request:**

Osmo device going around primary classes right now. Sue Dunham asking for another 5 sets of Genius gaming sets. 3 classrooms will have 3 sets. **\$734.22** *Details attached.*

**Farooq suggests putting together wish list from teachers, to streamline and dedicate amounts to channel funds out to various wishes. Present in June when we know our available funds. Teachers to attend to provide details and answer questions.**

**Vote to defer voting on seating and Osmo till June when all proposals are presented. VOTE PASSED.**

**Student Report** – Sabrina and leadership team – send regrets. No substantial update.

**Administrator's Report/School Report** - Mr. Shabbar and Mrs. Baines

### **School Organization Update**

Need to go with 5 kindergarten classes bc of numbers.

9 classes of grades 1-3, higher numbers.

Farooq asks we spread the word to new families to register as soon as possible. Or if families are moving out, to let Farooq know. Helps with planning.

### **Jaylen Memorial**

Plaque in final stages. Whole amount of \$1000 allocated will not all be used. Council can decide what to do with balance. Mounted before year end.

### **Council Annual report**

Link will be forwarded so it can be completed and get input at final meeting. Principal profile has been reviewed. Must be submitted as soon as possible.

### **Math night review**

Really great turn out, positive feedback.

### **Volunteer reception**

Tomorrow at 1030am.

### **Bike Rack**

Ordered and ready to be installed. Some discussion about location. Will be adjacent to existing one. Some funds leftover.

### **School climate survey**

Deadline for parent survey is Friday. More input the better for improving school climate. Report from Board will be shared with council.

**Eco Audit** last week. Students explained to Board rep our initiatives to be more eco-friendly. Passionate students.

### **Financial Report - Rebecca Holohan**

*Report attached.*

Close to \$11,000 unallocated. Can support some bigger projects.

If anyone interested in Treasurer position for next year, Rebecca is happy to share processes over next 6 weeks.

### **Request from Tina for \$1500 for Fun Fair expenses.**

**Question about Pita trial:** Going to see how many kids ordered, and anecdotal feedback. Need about 125 kids to order to make it worthwhile. Might offer alternating weeks to keep it interesting, but difficult to keep track.

### **Events: Jungle Sport Review and Fun Fair Update – Tina Day**

Jungle Sport – 600 kids participated (out of 620). Made \$138, didn't need to subsidize bc of numbers. Asked staff for feedback for whether or not to do it again. Loved it. Will consider timing for next year.

Fun Fair – Mini flyers went home. Will post flyers at leisure centre.

## **New Business**

### **Teacher Appreciation lunch: dates and donations – Melanie**

Will confirm a date in June. Tea at recess. People can donate veggie trays, cash etc, and help out at the tea.

### **Outdoor classroom – Ben Embiricos**

Trees are working hard, noticed hard ground. Thought maybe could give a boost, advice was to put some compost and cedar mulch at base. Cubic metre of material. Farooq says the delivery of material could be done on school day, better bc caretakers not available on weekends. Plan ahead for delivery.

*Attached details.*

Fair Green and Farmer Jacks have comparable prices. Mulch will help preserve water.

Jo-Anne: Town giving away free compost... Ben comments it's not tidy, and quality is questionable.

Melanie: Markham gives away free mulch at Mount Joy.

Rebecca: Comes out of Outdoor Classroom budget, yes? Agreed. Will vote for **\$400 to take out of outdoor classroom budget.**

### **Side item:**

Question from Mary about character trait nominations. To be re-implemented? Farooq comments difficult to implement school-wide, impacts instructional time. Some individual teachers do their own, within their classroom. Jo-Anne comments it can be an issue of making sure every student is given an award.

### **All voting items passed:**

- 1. Fun Fair expenses \$1500**
- 2. Mulch to come out of outdoor classroom budget \$400**

**Motion to adjourn at 8:33pm by Sarah, seconded by Jo-Anne. Carried.**

**Next and final meeting is on June 19, 2017 at 7pm.**

---

## **FLEXIBLE SEATING AT OPPS**

- *Evolving the classroom space to meet the students' individual needs impacts how they learn, how they interact, and the entire classroom experience.*
- *Teachers that have implemented flexible seating have notice students work improves immensely and their grades improve.*
- *They are happier when they can choose what is best for them.*
- *Students are learning to recognize how and where they work the best.*
- *Giving them control of their own learning space.*
- *Pilot project that would start in Mrs. Duncan's classroom for next year*
- *If successful work to implement flexible seating into the primary grades first then move to junior/intermediate.*

### **Start up Cost**

Cube set (4) **219.95**  
Bowtie seating (4) **219.95**  
Circle Time Cushions (6) **79.99**  
Stay n Play Ball (4) 34.19 = **136.76**  
Pillow Cushions (6) **117.95**  
Bean Bag Chair (2) 82.95 = **165.9**  
Couch **139.99**

**Before taxes \$1,080.49**

**After taxes \$ 1,221 Approx**

\*Would also have to look into shipping costs as that is an unknown.

5/15/2017

Osmo Genius Kit Gaming System for iPad, Electronic Toys - Amazon Canada

All ▾ osmo genius

Shop by Department ▾

Scott's Store Deals Store Gift Cards Sell Help

EN ▾

Hello, Scott Your Account ▾

Your Prime ▾

Wish List ▾

0

Cart

Sports & Outdoors Exercise & Fitness ▾ Sports Apparel ▾ Outdoors ▾ Cycling ▾ Sports Technology ▾ Golf ▾ Hunting & Fishing ▾ Fan Shop ▾ Deals

← Back to search results for "osmo genius"



Roll over image to zoom in

### Osmo Genius Kit Gaming System for iPad

no

17 customer reviews

CDN\$ 129.95 FREE Shipping for Prime members once available

Usually ships within 1 to 2 months. Form and sold by Amazon.ca. Gift-wrap available.

from CDN\$ 129.95

Osmo Genius Kit includes a set of 5 different games that allows children to explore science, math, art, and more! Kids and adults alike can cultivate their minds and creativity through Osmo's games. The system comes with reflector, base and five games: Words, Tangram, Newton, Numbers, Masterpiece. Additional pieces required for Words, Tangram, and Numbers. No additional pieces required for Newton or Masterpiece (app only games)

- All five game apps are available for download at Apple App Store. Designed for anyone aged 6 and up, this educational toy can be enjoyed by nearly everyone in the family
- Works with latest iPads: iPad 2, iPad 3, iPad 4 iPad Mini, iPad Mini Retina, iPad Air

Report incorrect product information.

Share

Quantity: 1 ▾

Add to Cart

Turn on 1-Click ordering

Ship to:

Julie Duncan - Stouffville - L4A 0

Add to Wish List

Compare Offers on Amazon

5 new from CDN\$ 129.95

### Frequently bought together



Total price: CDN\$ 239.89

Add all three to Cart

One of these items ships sooner than the other. Show details

- This item: Osmo Genius Kit Gaming System for iPad CDN\$ 129.95
- Osmo Coding Set CDN\$ 69.95
- Osmo Numbers Game CDN\$ 39.99

649.75

\$ 734.22 with tax.

#### WARNING:

CHOKING HAZARD -- Small parts. Not for children under 3 yrs.

#### Product details

Product Dimensions: 14 x 12.1 x 22.9 cm ; 1.1 Kg

Shipping Weight: 1.2 Kg

Item model number: TP-OSMO-02

ASIN: B015ELZCJS

Date first available at Amazon.ca: Oct. 4 2015

Average Customer Review: 17 customer reviews

Amazon Bestsellers Rank: #814 in Toys & Games (See Top 100 in Toys & Games)

#1 in Toys & Games > Electronics for Kids > Electronic Toys

#3 in Toys & Games > Learning & Education > Electronics

¿Quieres informarnos sobre un precio más bajo?

If you are a seller for this product, would you like to suggest updates through seller support?

#### Product description

Amazon.ca Product Description

Osmo's game systems foster social intelligence and creative thinking by opening up the iPad to the endless possibilities

**OPPS 2015-16 Allocation of Previous Year Fundraising - School Council  
As of May 11, 2017**

Opening Balance September 15, 2016 **\$25,359.55**  
Current Balance April 3, 2017 **\$38,403.95**

<b>Allocated for 2016-17 Year</b>	<b>Budgeted</b>	<b>Spent</b>	<b>Balance</b>
Bike Rack (June 2016; topped up Feb 2017)	\$750.00	\$0.00	\$750.00
Cost Sharing (June 2016)	\$5,000.00	\$4,842.38	\$157.62
Flex Fund (Nov 2017 from outdoor classroom)	\$7,500.00	\$935.00	\$6,565.00
Grade 8 grad for 2016/17 (June 2016)	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$500.00
Jaylen Memorial (June 2016)	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00
Supply Teachers (June 2016)	\$3,000.00	\$1,782.83	\$1,217.17
YouthSpeak (Melissa Jan 2017)	\$250.00	\$0.00	\$250.00
Games Club (Jan/June 2016; Jan 2017)	\$238.07	\$234.84	\$3.23
Books for autism awareness (Apr 2017)	\$262.28	\$0.00	\$262.28
Outdoor classroom additions (Warrener, Apr 2017)	\$660.00	\$391.73	\$268.27
Jazz Week : M. Offor (Apr 2017)	\$2,400.00	\$0.00	\$2,400.00
Fun Fair : T. Day (Apr 2017)	\$1,500.00	\$554.22	\$945.78

<b>Continued from 2015-16 Year</b>	<b>Budgeted</b>	<b>Spent</b>	<b>Balance</b>
Outdoor Classroom (June 2015)*	\$16,905.50	\$13,656.76	\$3,248.74
Compassionate Care - M. Wright (Apr & June 2016)	\$350.00	\$35.30	\$314.70
Planters - D. James (May 2016)	\$508.61	\$187.41	\$321.20

*\*Keep \$500 for stone & \$2,000 for maintenance (June 2016)*

<b>COMPLETE in 2016-2017 Year</b>			
Jazz week - Mrs Offor (Apr 2016)	\$3,055.00	\$2,307.16	\$0.00
Lice Check (June 2016)	\$850.00	\$715.46	\$0.00
Outdoor Tent - Mrs. Durfy (Sept 2016)	\$700.00	\$700.00	\$0.00
Sound System - Mrs. Itwaire (June 2016)	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$0.00
Music Instruments - Mrs. McWilliam (June 2016)	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$0.00
Technology - Mrs. Rand (Jan 2016)	\$2,000.00	\$2,041.97	\$0.00
Kindy items - Mrs. Itwaire (Apr 2016)	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$0.00
Science Supplies - Mrs. Offor (June 2016)	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00	\$0.00
Movie License (T. Day, Feb 2017)	\$527.00	\$526.86	\$0.00
Forest of Reading (S. Dunham, Feb 2017)	\$750.00	\$750.00	\$0.00
Jungle Sport - T. Day (Nov 2016)	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00	\$0.00

**Pizza**

<i>With 6 of 10 orders left @ \$440/order (May 12, 19, 26, June 9, 16 &amp; 23)</i>	\$4,400.00	\$1,760.00	\$2,640.00
---	------------	------------	------------

**Subs**

<i>With 7 of 7 orders left at \$590/order (May 17, 24 &amp; 31; June 6, 13, 20 &amp; 27)</i>	\$4,130.00	\$0.00	\$4,130.00
--	------------	--------	------------

**Sub-total** \$24,973.99

**Sub-total with 10% buffer** \$27,471.39

**Non-allocated funds** \$10,932.56

**TOTAL** \$38,403.95

## School Council Request for Funds/Approval of Mulch and Compost for School Trees

May 15<sup>th</sup> Council Meeting

<b>Supplier</b>	<b>Compost</b>	<b>Natural Cedar Mulch</b>	<b>Delivery Details</b>
Fair Green Sod Farm (Markham Road)	Not available	1 cubic yard in no mess bulk bag \$158.20 incl tax and delivery	Can deliver on Saturday. Require a few days notice and person to sign on arrival but can call ahead.
Canadian Tire Stouffville	Manure (pasteurized) \$3.67 (incl tax) per 12.5 kilo bag. Estimate 20 bags Total \$73.40  Miracle Gro Clay Breaking Compost 25 litres \$6.78 incl tax. 20 bags = \$135.60	\$6.76 a bag (incl tax) 3 cubic feet 1 cubic yard = 30 bags approx. =\$202.80	None but can pick up in town.
Farmer Jacks, Stouffville	Not available.	1 cubic yard no mess bulk bag \$146.90 incl tax and delivery	Will not deliver on Saturdays. Can not guarantee precise delivery times in week. But they will deliver!
404 Stone Gormley	Not available	\$203.40 incl tax and delivery for no mess bulk bag 1 cubic yard	Can deliver on a Saturday.



Schell Lumber	Schell Lumber manure \$3 a 30 litre bag incl tax X20 = \$60	Not available by bulk.	No
---------------	---	------------------------	----

Cheapest Mulch is Farmer Jacks (\$146.90)

Cheapest Mulch with Saturday Delivery = Fair Green (\$158.20)

Cheapest Compost =Schell Lumber Manure (\$60 approx)

Non Manure Compost from Canadian Tire (Clay Breaker) \$135.60

Proposed delivery and application one of next two Saturdays.

Delivery Location (mulch): Near fence by indoor classroom. Saturday preferred for minimal school disruption?

Compost collection (by Ben) from Schell or Canadian Tire.

Application by Ben and Jasper E as well as Toma and Emil Serb Sat/Sun. Any school community members (including students) who wish to help are welcome but we have enough people to guarantee will be done on time.