



MINUTES

Oscar Peterson P.S.
School Council Meeting
September 16, 2019 | 7:00pm

Kate LoPresti and Amanda Dimilta, Co-chairs | Rebecca Holohan, Treasurer | Nehal Menon and Kelly Mohsenzadeh, Secretaries | *Brigitte Arsenault and *Alicia Hanson-Bouwmeister, Events | *Randi Mayor, PR

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Welcome

Kate LoPresti &
Amanda Dimilta

Attendance:

AMANDA DIMILTA (Co-Chair), KATE LOPRESTI (Co-Chair), REBECCA HOLOHAN (Treasurer), NEHAL MENON (Secretary), KELLY MOHSENZADEH (Secretary), MELANIE WRIGHT (Public Relations)
ELIZABETH STERGIOU (Event Coordinator), Natasha Ince-Mercer (Pizza/Sub Coordinator), JULIE DUNCAN (Staff Representative), BRIGITTE ARSENAULT, ALICIA HANSON-BOUWMEISTER, TINA DAY, JULIE CARROLL METCALFE, MELISSA KALMBACH, HEATHER McQUEEN, RAMONA LAWRENCE, CHERYL WARRENER, PAULINE TAM, JO-ANNE JESSUP, ALISON HARGREAVES, LISA DERBY, BANSREE PATEL, MARY KAMBANIS, TANIA PAPIKONOMOU

Land Acknowledgment – Orange Shirt Day – September 30

Ingrid Legros

<http://www.orangeshirtday.org/>

Farooq suggested/encouraged council to prepare a land acknowledgement learning session one day.

Approval of last meeting's minutes

Acknowledged by Rebecca and Melanie

Nehal Menon

Administrator's Report and School News

Farooq Shabbar &
Ingrid Legros

- **School Organization**
Currently 704 students enrolled; September 24th school compliance day to make any final adjustments if necessary, to classroom organization.
- **School Start-Up**
First day of school went smoothly. Had a few bussing issues, which got sorted out. It was noted that being able to look on Edsby on the day of made it easier for the parents to locate their child(ren) teachers.
- **Triple P Parenting** sessions (Positive Parenting Program): Fostering Well-Being and Mental Health. PPP is an evidence-based program which provides supports to parents based on positive parenting,

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includes various options for delivery.

<https://www.triple-parenting.ca/ont-en/triple-p/>

3 sessions: Sept 26/Oct 10/ Nov 21

Admin would like for School Council to help promote it.

- **Chai & Chat Sessions**

Started last year, for an opportunity to for our community to be more involved with OPPS. Would like to continue to expose our new families to the school system. We're creating a brochure in the top 10 languages. There will be one in January – around the first term report timeframe and another in April. They'll be one in the AM and another in the PM, including translators.

- **YRDSB Job Action**

To-date, it is business as usual at OPPS until any notification sent from YRDSB.

- **EQAO results**

Results will be shared on September 25th, 2019 for all parents in the next newsletter.

- **Curriculum Night – Oct 2 (Also Picture Day)**

Open House from 6:30 to 7:30pm, an opportunity to meet the teachers, see the classrooms.

- **Vulnerable Sector Screening (VSS)** is a requirement for all volunteers effective September 2019.

Volunteers will additionally sign 'declaration and confidentiality agreement form' to maintain OPPS integrity on an annual basis. Anyone wishing to be a volunteer can pick up a letter at the school for the application.

- Request for School Council members to complete and sign a Confidentiality form.

Introductions

All in attendance shared a few sentences about themselves.

Amanda Dimilta

Constitution update

Constitution was updated during the last school year. It is available in the front office as well on the school website. Going forward all copies of council minutes will be held in a binder for a 2-year retention.

Kate LoPresti

New Ideas for Lunch Order - Subcommittee

Sub-committee formed to bring more affordable healthy lunches to the school on Monday, Tuesday & Thursday.

Members of subcommittee are: Kate LoPresti, Mary Kambanis, Julie Duncan

*A brochure for Astoria's kitchen was shared with the group. Also a recommendation for Nonna's Oven.

Kate LoPresti

Pizza/Sub Update

1st order of Pizza and Subs will commence the week of September 23rd. Didn't have to make any price changes.

****Volunteers are still required from approximately 11:45am – 1pm Wednesday (Sub day) and Friday (Pizza day)****

They have already spoken to teachers about trip scheduling but will also require volunteers on alternate days.

Natasha Ince-
Mercer, Jenn Anstie

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Financial report

*See updated version at end of minutes

Funding request for mobile listening cart \$46 (includes tax)

Rebecca Holohan

Ingrid provided an update on the Triple Hoop in the FDK yard, advising that it was declined. Have pushed back and will continue to encourage approval. There was a change of leadership, which may have contributed to the decision.

Election – School Council Executive

2019/2020 Parent Council Executive Team are as follows:

Co-Chair: Kate LoPresti & Amanda Dimilta

Treasurer: Rebecca Holohan

Co-Secretary: Kelly Mohsenzadeh & Nehal Menon

Event Co-Ordinator: Elizabeth Stergiou

Public Relations: Melanie Wright

Farooq Shabbar,
Tina Day, Heather
McQueen

2019/2020 Voting Members:

Kate LoPresti, Amanda Dimilta, Rebecca Holohan, Kelly Mohsenzadeh, Nehal Menon, Elizabeth Stergiou, Melanie Wright, Natasha Ince-Mercer, Jo-Anne Jessup, Pauline Tam, Ramona Lawrence, Maria Philip, Melissa Kalmbach, Julie Carroll Metcalfe, Brigitte Arsenault, Alicia Hanson-Bouwmeister, Cheryl Warrener, Tina Day, Heather McQueen

Funding Request – Cart for Listening Centre requested by Cheryl Warrener - Approved

QCHM (questions, comments, happy moments)

OPPS First School Council “Social” – after our next meeting on Tuesday, October 29th.

Future Meeting Dates:

- Tuesday, October 29, 2019 ****Note-this date has been updated.****
- Monday, November 25, 2019
- Monday, January 13, 2020
- Monday, February 24, 2020
- Monday, March 30, 2020
- Monday, April 27, 2020
- Monday, May 25, 2020
- Monday, June 15, 2020

Amanda Dimilta

Motion to adjourn the meeting – confirmed by Nehal and Kelly

**OPPS 2019-20 School Council Fund Requests
As of September 16, 2019**

Opening Balance (as of September 16, 2019)

\$26,577.24

Carry over from 2018-19 Year	Manager	Voted	Budgeted	Spent	Balance
Outdoor Classroom	C. Warrener	June 2018	\$2,005.00	\$1,586.73	\$418.27
Jazz Lounge supplies	C. McGuire	Feb. 2019	\$400.00	\$316.52	\$83.48
Games Club	B. Arsenault	April 2019	\$100.00	\$19.38	\$80.62
TOTAL			\$2,505.00	\$1,922.63	\$582.37

Allocated for 2019-20 Year	Manager	Voted	Budgeted	Spent	Balance
Cost Sharing	F. Shabbar	June 2019	\$6,200.00	\$0.00	\$6,200.00
New Classroom Technology	G. Coyne	June 2019	\$5,000.00	\$3,518.65	\$1,481.35
Supply Teachers	F. Shabbar	June 2019	\$3,000.00	\$0.00	\$3,000.00
Robotics Supplies	L. Izzo	June 2019	\$3,000.00	\$0.00	\$3,000.00
Outdoor Classroom	C. Warrener	June 2019	\$2,000.00	\$0.00	\$2,000.00
FDK Enhancements: Triple Hoop	I. Legros	June 2019	\$1,575.00	\$0.00	\$1,575.00
Grade 8 Grad for 2019/20	F. Shabbar	June 2019	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00
Lice Check	F. Shabbar	June 2019	\$750.00	\$0.00	\$750.00
Class Bean Bag Chair	K. Bell	June 2019	\$250.00	\$0.00	\$250.00
Classroom Headphones	J. Duncan & C. Warrener	June 2019	\$240.00	\$0.00	\$240.00
Plants at entry	R. Holohan	June 2019	\$125.00	\$0.00	\$125.00
Compassionate Care	R. Holohan	June 2019	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$100.00
Pizza/Sub starting budget	J. Anstie & N. Ince-Mercer	June 2019	\$50.00	\$0.00	\$50.00
TOTAL			\$23,290.00	\$3,518.65	\$19,771.35

Complete from 2019-20 School Year	Approved	Budgeted	Spent	Difference	
School Hall Sensory Path	S. Dart & I. Legros	June 2019	\$1,500.00	\$1,576.35	-\$76.35

Sub-total	\$20,353.72
Sub-total with 5% buffer	\$21,371.41
Non-allocated funds	<u>\$110.83</u>
TOTAL	<u><u>\$21,482.24</u></u>