



AGENDA with Minutes

Oscar Peterson P.S. School Council Meeting

October 29, 2019 | 7:00pm

Kate LoPresti and Amanda Dimilta, Co-chairs | Rebecca Holohan, Treasurer | Nehal Menon and Kelly Mohsenzadeh, Secretaries | TBD, Events | Melanie Wright, PR

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Welcome

Kate LoPresti & Amanda Dimilta

Attendance

ALICIA HANSON-BOUWMEISTER, AMANDA DIMILTA (Co-Chair), BRIGITTE ARSENAULT, CHERYL WARRENER, HEATHER McQUEEN, Jacky Roncadin (Event Co-ordinator), JO-ANNE JESSUP, JULIE CARROLL-METCALFE, JULIE DUNCAN (Staff Representative), KATE LOPRESTI (Co-Chair), KELLY MOHSENZADEH (Secretary), MARY KAMBANIS, MELANIE WRIGHT (Public Relations), MELISSA KALMBACH, Mohommed Abushaban, Natasha Ince-Mercer (Pizza/Sub Co-ordinator), NEHAL MENON (Secretary), PAULINE TAM, RAMONA LAWGRANCE, REBECCA HOLOHAN (Treasurer)

Land Acknowledgment and learning piece

Ingrid Legros/Rebecca Holohan

Rebecca described her experience with the grade 3's at the Stouffville Museum. Kids had a great time, were very curious. Described at 16th century artifacts on loan from the Canadian Museum of History and the Huron-Wendat Museum.

<http://www.townofws.ca/en/explore/archaeology-alive.aspx>

Approval of last meeting's minutes

Nehal Menon

Bridgette & Rebecca

Compassionate Care Donation was made to the Embiricos Education Fund in honor of Benjamin Embiricos on behalf of the School Council.

Amanda Dimilta

Administrator's report and school news

Farooq Shabbar & Ingrid Legros

EQAO results: OPPS continues to do very well, with the exception of Jr. Math, where we underachieved. Math continues to be a focus for the school, \$ is being invested into math networks. Fractions are a trouble area. Reminder that EQAO is only ONE piece of data for assessment, we still use Report Cards and we're still waiting on results from "Every Student Counts" survey. We'll continue to make adjustments for the

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future.

Job action debrief: The job action was a challenging time for the whole school, while student safety always remained priority. We worked together to ensure all needs were met, during their restricted protocol. We're still in a good space/relationship with the team and thank you for your understanding.

Reports Cards: Going home on November 13th. Nov 14 & 15 are reserved for parent/teacher interviews. JK/SK's are for observation only. Teachers Offor & Rand will be booking manually, due to the team working together. **Edsby will be open on November 5th for booking interviews.**

Parent Communication: We continue to use Twitter and are still growing in followers. Ingrid is also updating Edsby on almost a daily basis. Teachers received training on Edsby in September as a comms tool for parents as they're no longer able to use other social platforms due to PIPEDA (Personal Information Protection and Electronic Documents Act). You can also subscribe for an Edsby Daily/Weekly digest.

Newsletter: Continues to be full every week, as we have a lot going on. Lots of Celebratory items to share. We continue to look for feedback on how to improve. Short discussion about adding info about sport/event tryouts, council meeting reminders. They'll also add the sport/event tryouts to the monitor. If student doesn't know who to reach out to (teacher sponsor) then visit the office to ask.

Halloween: Primary (JK-Grd.3) Parade on morning of October 31st around 9:00am. Parent viewing area will be sectioned off, students will only go around once. There will be celebrations in participating classes.

Photo Retake Day Is November 6th

Triple P Parenting Workshop: The evening of October 24th went very well. We had about 27 attendees, at least 1 family was from another school. It's open to community parents, child-minding was successful.

Next evening is November 21st.

Pizza/Subs update: We are looking for more volunteers for Wednesdays. A new cycle started this week, it's a shortened cycle. We are experiencing a lot of asks after the fact for pizza orders – we have firm cut-offs as we have deadlines to meet with the vendor. We may look at new vendors for 2020/2021 season. Require funding for gloves. \$200.

Natasha and Jenn

Lunch Order new ideas – Subcommittee report

Mary shared a menu for Astoria with great food options. They've been doing lunch orders for over 8 years. Mary will provide Farooq with phone numbers to call for references. The restaurant can label meals to make it easier for teachers to distribute. We'll attempt a 4-week trial, for

Kate LoPresti

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Monday deliveries to gauge interest.

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Amanda Dimilta & Kate LoPresti

Events

- Book fair week of Nov 11th – Seeking volunteers – Schedule, fill out if you're available.
- Council seeking new Events Coordinator
- Movie night debrief: Movie night was a huge success. Thanks for Elizabeth who did the majority of planning prior to her stepping down from Event Coordinator role. We had approximately 175 people and a host of families who stayed to clean up. Many thanks to all. We are hoping for new equipment for the next time as the movie had some pauses/breaks in it.
- Fun Fair – Tentative date: May 23, 2020 – To be confirmed by Ingrid/Farooq.
- Council social following the meeting- St. Louis

Financial report:

Quick review of report; acknowledge that we have some voting items for this evening. (See below)

Kate LoPresti on behalf of Rebecca Holohan

Ingrid mentioned that their 'appeal' for the Triple Hoop was denied. They're going to have a consultant assist on a new proposal as the kindy space needs additional activities.

Voting items:

Sara Dart (Library)

Amanda Dimilta

- Forest of Reading -- \$850 - Approved (Preselected books from Grs. 4-8, with a variety of books. There is a festival at the Harborfront at the end of the year.)
- Author Visit, Philip Roy (Submarine Outlaw) gr.1-8 -- \$932.25 - Approved (In-person author visits have a great effect on the kids.)
- Pizza supplies -- \$200 - Approved (gloves, napkins, etc.)

QCHM (questions, comments, happy moments)

Mrs. Duncan – the Grade 1 trip to the pumpkin patch at Reesor's Farm was great fun, but wet.

Farooq – Superintendent visit to the school engaged some students, the feedback included "children helping children".

Mrs. Duncan – Cross Country Event last week, we had 13 teams participate, was also a wet day, but it didn't get the athletes down. Thank you to Kate for donating her time to train the students. Kid's loved it and exhibited good sportsmanship.

**OPPS 2019-20 School Council Fund Requests
As of October 11, 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. Arsenaault	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	\$858.74	\$2,141.26
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	\$4,377.39	\$18,912.61

Pizza

<i>With 2 of 5 orders left @ \$620/order (Sept 27; Oct 4, 11, 18 & 25)</i>		\$3,100.00	\$1,240.00	\$1,860.00
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Subs

<i>With 3 of 6 orders left at \$675/order (Sept 25; Oct. 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30)</i>		\$4,050.00	\$2,025.00	\$2,025.00
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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
Utility Cart	C. Warrener	Sept 2019	\$46.00	\$45.19	\$0.81

Sub-total	\$23,379.98
Sub-total with 5% buffer	\$24,548.98
Non-allocated funds	\$5,279.02
TOTAL	\$29,828.00

Motion to adjourn the meeting

- *Future Meetings:* November 25, 2019, January 13, 2020, February 24, 2020, March 30, 2020, April 27, 2020, May 25, June 15.