



Future meeting: June 5

RANDALL P.S. SCHOOL COUNCIL AGENDA Monday, April 3, 2017 Staffroom – 6:00-7:00 pm

Meeting Norms: *All voices are valued and there is a shared focus with a timed format. Please note that our Council mandate is to discuss student achievement throughout all grades. Any personal/specific student-related issues/concern should be brought to the attention of the office.*

1. **Welcome and Introductions** - Chair
2. **Treasurer's report** – Treasurer
 - Same thing nothing in or out
3. **Regional Parent Symposium** –
<http://www.yrdsb.ca/Parents/Pages/ParentSymposium.aspx>
 - Randall parents could not attend
 - Ms. Jessa attended
 - o March 29 (94 Schools were represented) Title: Leadership, Innovation and Inclusivity to promote success and well-being
 - o Engaging parents (parents voice matter)
 - o Innovative practices and modern learning
 - o How can we engage parents at Randall to have a voice?
 - o Including whole community in our learning
 - Video available online
 - **Question to consider:** How can we engage parents at Randall to participate and have a voice? More than just fundraising

4. **PEP –P. Bunting**

Hobby Night (May 11)

- Posted on the Facebook and parents have volunteered to help
- Meeting this Wednesday parents will e-mail Pam regarding volunteering
- Strategy games may need longer sessions
- A volunteer will be doing chess and is willing to help
- Bootcamp said yes but we need to confirm
- Need to figure out numbers and space
- Family sign up (bring students)
- Making a detailed list of help we need for the hobby night

Family Math Night (April 27)

- Meeting as a committee April 4 at lunch
- Deciding if we are dividing PJ and I?

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- Promoting it add to Facebook and Twitter
- Come and attend with your child (games and puzzles)

5. PRO (Parents Reaching Out) Grant – See information below – P. Bunting

- Can apply for up to \$1000
- Escape room and cooking at Loblaws
- Professional speaker (motivating kids) Karen Gordon?
- Who wants to write it?
- Information on handout at meeting
- How can people who can't make it here by 6pm on Monday's still be present and involved with council
 - o Conference calls? Live Streaming? Comment box?
- **Index cards**—mistakes need to be updated (Dave looking into this)
- Primary based activities tend to get more participates we are trying to encourage all divisions to be involved
- Motivational Speaker (internet cyber bullying) connects parents to students
- Find other schools in area and connect with them to have multiple speakers and more money to use

6. School Council Principal Profile – to be updated as needed

- Do we want to add or modify this? Let Dave know
- Schedule time to discuss as a team

7. Other Business/Items for Next Council Meeting

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Fun Fair –Tentative Date June 22 2017 – contact is Patricia Rappos

- Parent support would be greatly appreciated!
- Get the word out on parent Facebook
- Silent auction items
- Letter for donations for silent auction
- List of where the help is needed (specific roles)
- Funds go to enrichment of students programs
- Money has gone to technology and gym equipment
- If there are school council events ensure we advertise where the money is going
- Cost sharing initiative (board matches it to buy technology)

Extra-curricular activities run by others who are not teachers

- Lego robotics (we do not need staff supervision if it is a separate organization)
- Approval from Randall and at board level as well to ensure organization is approved

EQAO-information night (Date TBA)

"We believe that school councils play an important role in building schools, family and community partnerships by providing input into relevant Board and school level decisions and by encouraging the involvement of all members of the school community in support of student learning." YRDSB Website;
www.yrdsb.edu.on.ca

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PRO Grants

We invite your school council to apply for a 2017-18 Parents Reaching Out (PRO) Grant. We know that good schools become great schools when parents are involved in their children's learning and well-being. PRO Grants for School Councils support projects that help parents identify barriers to parent engagement in their own community and develop local strategies to address these barriers in support of student achievement and well-being.

PRO Grants are available to school councils for a maximum of **\$1,000**.

The deadline to submit an application is **Thursday, May 25, 2017 11:59 p.m. EST**. Please visit the ministry website at <http://www.edu.gov.on.ca/eng/parents/schools.html> for more information.

Applications are to be completed and submitted online at <http://education.factorial.ca>.

See a list of approved projects from last year for project ideas!

Visit the ministry website at

http://www.edu.gov.on.ca/eng/parents/en_2016_17_school_council_grants_en.html for a list of previously funded projects.

Check out videos for examples of PRO Grant projects:

<https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLxmz9ERQlsZvu1WdrV7VXpcJ5Rm3sZ22T>