



Randall P. S.

School Council Meeting Minutes

Date: Tuesday, October 4, 2022

Location: Randall Public School Library & Virtual through Google Meet

Time: 6:30pm – 8:00pm

Attendees:

- Administration: Asha Rathod, Deborah Knott,
- Parents: Seema Shahjahan, Dharmine Sinnathamby, Tina Wang, Noor-ul-ain Siddiqi, Umair Tasedduq, Song Yun Shi, Nancy Khan

Meeting minutes:

- **Welcome and introductions**
- **Land Acknowledgment completed by Ms. Knott**
- **School News**
 - Cross country started in September
 - Currently Terry Fox run taking place
 - Volley ball for boys has started
 - Meet the teacher/curriculum night took place on September 29th
 - Orange shirt day – Truth and Reconciliation – was on September 30th, students made wrote messages on orange cards board and posted on the school wall in recognition of orange shirt day
 - Student ambassadors selected from grade 7 and 8 classes to help in activities and events. For instance, there were student ambassadors at the curriculum night helping parents. This is an opportunity to give students a voice and create a sense of belonging as well as develop leadership skills.
 - Currently it is Islamic Heritage month, parents are welcome to help set up the display case.
 - October 7th will be the first school assembly to encourage school spirit
- **School Council Elections:**
- Watched video on role of School Council
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ni2UmiRmfBA>
- Ms. Rathod described the importance of setting fundraising goals and meeting the needs of the school as part of the school council role
 - Money that is raised in the current year should be spent in that same year
- 3 positions for School Council available
 - Chair, Treasurer, Secretary
- Following people selected:

- Co-chairs: Dharmine Sinnathamby & Noorulain Siddiqi
- Secretary: Nancy Khan
- Treasurer: Seema Shahjahan
- Dharmine suggests linking minutes and agenda to Raven Report
- Raven Report can also have a section for School Council to describe what fundraising events they have done in the past and what they plan on doing, also explain what school council funds support
- Last year school council purchased freezies for wellness day for all of the students, gave money to support the grade 8 graduation event, and provided prizes for virtual kahoot trivia nights
- The funds raised this year can go to support other school events
- It would be helpful to do a fundraising survey for parents to determine what School Council can do
- Money that will be raised through school pizza lunches (organized by administration) will go to support extracurricular activities this year
- **Parent questions and discussion**
- The question was raised regarding school trips for this year and Ms. Rathod explained that staff is beginning to plan trips for the school year and they work among grade partners and the division to work out the details. Teachers have to follow guidelines for supervision and so they usually reach out to parents for support.
- There was also discussion about how to create more clubs and activities for students to participate in and gain confidence. Club formation requires the supervision/sponsorship of a school teacher and parents can help to be supports as well. We would have to explore this idea more in next meetings.
- **Next meeting:**
- Next meeting set for Tuesday, November 29th, 2022.