

Richmond Hill High School School Council Meeting

May 16, 2016 7:00 - 9:00 PM 2nd floor, Library

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Presentation/ Discussion	Presenter	Action	
Topic			
New Business Parking Lot	 Sandy S. Reviewed process of identifying questions for New Business to be discussed later in meeting. 		
2. Inclusion	 Hillary B. Parents introduced themselves to someone they didn't know and shared a key learning from this year's council meetings . 		
3. Approval of April Minutes	 Hillary B. April minutes approved Proposed the May minutes be posted as a draft now due to the upcoming break, with final approval scheduled for September meeting . 	April minutes posted on School Council section of school website May minutes to be posted once Administration, Council Executive have reviewed	
4. Student Council Report	Shared information about Student Council activities including upcoming Carnival on June 1. Event is to encourage school spirit. Any funds raised are used to cover event costs.		
5. Administrator and Teacher's Report	 Principal & Teacher School Council Update A. Wasserman and R. Cotey Administration and teacher updated on school events . See related document. 	Document posted to School Council section of school website	
6. Treasurer Report	 Wendy Wu Parents Reaching Out (PRO) Grant: \$ 1,000 Grant from the board approved; \$500 was received \$1,000 Pro Grant was paid to speaker Balance \$500 		

7. Board Policies for Review	Sandy S	
http://www.yrdsb.ca/AboutU s/Policy/Pages/Policies-for- Comment.aspx	 Sandy S Parents were reminded that YRDSB Policies for review are available on the board website. 	
	 Any parent can provide input on these policies through the school council. 	
8. Focus Presentation Topics for 2016-2017	 Sandy S, Hillary B. Parents brainstormed topics for 2016-2017 focus presentations. The list was reviewed by the group and will be voted on at the September 2016 meeting. In addition, a Parent Engagement survey will be sent out to the whole school parent population to gauge interest in council and topics of interest. 	Parent Engagement Survey to be finalized, translated as necessary and distributed to school parent population via email (Hillary, Sandy S., Admin.)
9. Pro Grant Presentation Review	Jacky reviewed attendee feedback • Concerns raised about low attendance.	
10. Pro Grant Application for 2016-2017	 Sandy S., Hillary B. Given the work to organize the presentation and the average turnout, Council voted on whether to apply for Pro Grant for next year or take a break. Council voted Yes to apply for the Grant. General topic will be: "A series of presentations supporting parents and teens" with related board initiatives being mental health, parent engagement, and inclusion. This will be refined in early 2016-2107 school year, if grant approved. At that time, a parent volunteer will be required to chair the subcommittee. 	Jacky to fill in the application form by end of May
11. Modern Learning	 Administration A. Daniel shared video clips of experts discussing aspects of Modern Learning. Administration/Teachers have been emphasizing collaboration with students. Parents were asked for suggestions on how to reconfigure the library to be a more modern, collaborative space. Sandy H. shared pictures showing various spaces as examples they wish to follow. Plan is to roll out changes over 3 years, based on budget. 	

13. School Council Award	Sandy S.	
	Follow-up from last meeting's discussion about why no academic requirement on award.	
	• Council voted on whether a review of the criteria was needed in 2016-2107.	
	• Council voted No to review. Award criteria will remain as is for 2016-2017.	
13. New Business	Members at Large	
4 Wrap Up/Next Meeting	Next Meeting: September 19, 2016 7 – 9 pm	Note change in January meeting date from that communicated at meeting:
		Old Date: January 16, 2017
		New Date: January 23, 2017

September 19, 2016 January 23, 2017

2016-2017 Meeting Dates October 17, 2016 April 24, 2017

November 21, 2016 May 15, 2017