

# Ross Doan Public School Parent Council

10 May 2016 / 6:30 PM / School Library

## Attendee

### Council Members Present:

- Jen, Angela, Mali, Stephanie R, Catherine, Jean, Shweta

### School Reps Present:

- Bernadette, Stephanie S

### Members at Large Present:

- Ora, Tracy

### Regrets:

- Jenn Li, Karen

## Minutes

### 1. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

1. Angela & Jen approve last month's minutes

### 2. Old Business

1. Photographer for Musical
  - i. Jen secured 2 photographers from AMHS. They will be here June 13 from 11:30am-1pm

### 3. New Business

#### 1. Principal report

- i. Communication
  1. Asked for feedback to see if everyone is receiving through one of the means we communicate - newsletter, twitter, synervoice, tec.
- ii. GR. 2 concert
  1. Used to be a primary concert
  2. The Gr. 2 teachers showed an interest and did this on a voluntary basis
  3. Originally scheduled for April 27 but due to scheduling conflicts changed to May 11
- iii. Challenge of Practice
  1. Math & Zones of Regulation

2. Based on the Board Improvement Plan (Math, Modern Learning and Mental Health)
- iv. Transitions
    1. Roselawn
      - a. June 13 the gr. 3s will go to Roselawn for orientation
      - b. June 14 info night at Roselawn. Info to follow.
      - c. A lot of differences between the two schools (same level, different delivery) so transitions discussions will happen.
    2. French Immersion
      - a. In response to parent question - No day other than the parent information night and the hour day meeting at Doncrest P.S.
  - v. What's Your Magic
    1. June 10
    2. Mlni conference for children
    3. Teachers will offer sessions on a variety of topics
  - vi. Welcome to Kindergarten
    1. May 18 - 6-7pm
    2. JK parents and children
    3. 2 adults with one child - one parent in the library with a child
    4. Building Blocks for Kindergarten - BBFK
      - a. 20 students entering JK
      - b. A student without current levels of service
      - c. During the summer
      - d. Free
      - e. Specifically for children who might have trouble adapting to school
    5. School Council representation
      - a. Will sell Spirit wear, water bottle & cookies
      - b. Volunteers - Ang & Stephanie R
      - c. Talk up council to get more members - create a sign up sheet
  - vii. Parking lot - the area up the curb is NOT an area to park
    1. Parking authorities do come around and ticket
    2. Be sure to obey signage (new "no parking" signs up in this area)
    3. The change was brought on because of safety issues (children almost getting hit)
  - viii. Front garden
    1. If anyone interested in helping to maintain the garden please let office know
    2. Used to be the eco team (gr. 4s) but now the kids are a bit too little.
  - ix. Next year placements

1. If parents have requests for placements for children (friendships, learning styles, etc) they can contact Mrs. Smith directly
  2. Teacher specific request will not be able to be honoured.
  3. Many gr. 1 classes at this moment.
- x. Pizza dates misunderstanding
1. Some GC money used to cover pizza due to the fact that several families thought it was pizza day
  2. 45 students did not have lunch on Friday. April 29
  3. Used snack program granola bars
- xi. Money Requests
1. \$200 - Roselawn Pizza Lunch
    - a. June 13 - Roselawn Day Pizza lunch
    - b. Moved - Shweta, Jen**
  2. \$600 - Gr. 1 set up
    - a. Moved - Mali, Stephanie R**
  3. \$600 - JK/SK Creation Room
    - a. 4-JK/SK classes next year projected; 1 fewer than this year
    - b. Desire to turn the extra room into a creation room (like a JK/SK makerspace)
    - c. Large foam blocks requests - 70 pieces
    - d. Moved - Jen, Stephanie R**
  4. \$400 - Ms McKenzie listening centre
    - a. CD/tape player, 6 headphones
    - b. Stephanie R found an adapter for any audio that creates multiple ports
    - c. At this point need more information before we can allocate money as it seems there are other means that are less expensive to get the same results.

## 2. Teachers' report

- i. Author Visit
  1. Ruth Othi
  2. Spoke about the process of book making and illustrating
- ii. Jump Rope Heart
  1. Today was the kick off
  2. May 27 is the event
  3. Envelopes going home May 11
- iii. Library Structure
  1. Makerspace is continuing to be developed
    - a. Snack circuit board
    - b. Lego
    - c. Cup stacking

2. Makes learning more meaningful
  3. Instruction at each station along with assessment ideas for teachers
  4. Launched at PA day
- iv. Musical
1. Performances on June 14 at 2pm, June 15 at 6:30pm

### 3. Treasurer's report

- i. Account is at \$13287

<u>Date</u>	<u>Money In</u>	<u>Money Out</u>	<u>Total</u>
April 1, 2016	Spirit Wear \$105.32		
April 5, 2016	Movethon \$3136.45		\$14,687.03
April 21, 2016	Lunch Lady \$187.80		
April, 2016		Matheletes \$506.29	
April, 2016		Supply Teacher for arts n \$127.35	
April, 2016		Lice Check \$267.00	
April, 2016		Playday \$800.00	
April, 2016		Greenberg Arts Prog \$300.00	\$13,287.73

- ii. Allocate for next year

1. \$7000 for arts package
2. \$2000 for Forest of Reading
3. \$2000 for Technology
4. Remained, post carnival, allocated to misc. Initiatives
5. **Moved - Jen, Shweta**

### 4. Fundraising report

- i. Clothing drive (CDA)

1. Simon & Pierre from the CDA came to meeting
2. Clarification - missed pickups were an internal error and has been fixed.

3. Pick up happens 3x per week.
  4. CDA represents over 10 million Canadians who suffer from diabetes.
  5. Presented a certificate of participation
  6. Collected 1840lbs of clothing in 1 week!
  7. Total raised to be confirmed
- ii. Spirit Wear
1. 47% of the spirit wear has been sold
  2. Sell at Carnival
  3. Water Bottle on sale for Carnival
    - a. \$8 without a shirt
    - b. \$6 with a shirt
    - c. Put together a swag bag for basket raffle.

#### 5. Principal Profile

- i. Draft given by Catherine for review
- ii. Please give feedback by Friday, May 13. Please send a nil report if you see no problems.
- iii. Catherine will send revised copy for voting early next week.

#### 6. Fundraising Initiatives

- i. Carnival
  1. Please wear Ross Doan Shirt
  2. Volunteers Needed...e-mail to follow?

#### 4. Other Business

1. Congratulations to Ms Oakes on the birth of her baby girl
2. Pro grant - writer in conjunction with other schools - Mali will connect

## Upcoming Meetings

- June Social - Friday, June 10 - London Pub - 6-8pm
- Constitution Think Tank - Google Doc meeting - input done by Monday June 13
  - Review your role only mainly
  - Look over constitution as a whole
- Next Year's First Council Meeting - September - TBD at Social on June 10.

# Other Notes or Information

## Action Items

1. All members
  - a. Review the principal profile by May 13 and e-mail Catherine.
  - b. Review the constitution and make suggestions as you see fit.

## Next Meeting Items:

1. Set date for meeting in September

## Next Newsletter Items:

1. CDA blurb
2. Carnival Reminder?
3. Date and info for next year's council