

Minutes for SWL School Council Meeting
April 2nd, 2014 7:00 – 8:30 pm

	✓/x	Council Members	✓/x	Staff Members
1	✓	Houri Awedikian – Chair	✓	Laurie Finn - Principal
2	x	Shalini Bhardwaj	✓	Craig Barton – Vice -principal
3	x	Michelle Dougal	✓	Queenie Wong – Teaching Staff
4	✓	Elaine Friesen – Secretary		
5	x	Helen Huang		
6	✓	Elisa Lau	✓	Lisa Wilcox - Custodial Staff
7	x	Lisa Leong-Poi		
8	✓	Julia Li – Treasurer		Parents / Guests
9	x	Lucy Liu		
10	✓	Doris Tang		
11	✓	Jeevan Trehan		
12	x	Nancy Tye		
13	x	Victor Wang		

1. **Welcome**

- Regrets from Nancy Tye

2. **Minutes from Meetings**

- No new business arising from previous minutes
 - No motion was made to approve December 5th minutes as we did not have enough voting council members present

3. **Treasurer’s Report/Update**

- Julia presented updated report on revenue and expenditures. Everything allocated has been purchased. We still have financial commitments to our outdoor classroom, playground maintenance, Grade 8 graduation and our incoming parent council in September.
- Council agreed to spend additional funds on Healthy Lifestyle Aussie X. It is an opportunity to introduce our students to 3 different sports – netball, cricket and Aussie rules football over 4 days. Craig and Jeevan will be investigating potential dates and finalize costs before sending out details to council for a vote.

4. **Principal’s Report**

- Pro Grant event was well attended. Feedback forms were collected and it was mostly positive feedback. Parents liked the format and topic
- Communication will be sent through the school newsletter about the school addition. Construction will begin June 30

- Mme Sadaka is a finalist, recognized as Teacher of the Year. This is Sir Wilfrid Laurier's second finalist (back to back winner for our school).

5. **Sub-Committee's Reports/Updates**

- Healthy Eating (Laurie Finn) – new snack dates upcoming
- Positive Climate for Learning/Safe Schools (Laurie Finn)
 - April – our students will be presenting a performance “Broadway Beat”. We also have a Day of Pink (promoting anti bullying, there will be a parade of classes)
- Pizza (Jeevan Trehan, Shalini Bhardwaj)
 - Our most popular lunch fundraiser, driven by a lot of volunteers. Jeevan will be evaluating other pizza vendors and present a recommendation at our next council meeting
- Sub Lunches (Nancy Tye, Elisa Lau, Shalini Bhardwaj)
 - The school consistently orders about 200 subs per lunch date. Elisa will be managing the Sub Lunch program in September. Thank you Nancy for initiating and organizing this successful lunch fundraiser.
- Lunch Lady (Elaine Friesen)
 - We have had a successful year with our Fun Lunches and Hot Dog lunches from Lunch Lady.
 - Council should evaluate all lunch fundraisers at our next council meeting and also consider new proposals.
- Pro Grant (Elisa Lau, Victor Wong, Shalini Bhardwaj)
 - New application for 2014-2015 PRO Grant
 - Jeevan also invited parent council and school community to St. Augustine's parent session hosted by Alison Schaeffer and also Bayview Secondary School's speaker Dr. Karen Gordon.
- Fun Fair – scheduled for June 5 with rain date on June 12th
 - The fun fair will be from 4pm to 7pm
 - The fun fair is a non-profit event, meant to celebrate our school and its community. There will be free face painting, balloon animals, air brush tattoos, inflatables, fire safety display, a booth run by the Pan Am Games. We will be welcoming volunteers from PET, Unionville and St. Augustine high schools. Even though there will not be a raffle this year, there will be a silent auction.
 - The fun fair was allocated \$4000 - voting council members were asked to approve (Motion made via email by Jeevan and seconded by Nancy. Motion passed)

6. **Other Business:**

We would like to thank Julia for her contribution to school council as our Treasurer. We wish her all the best at her new job. Elisa Lau will be stepping in as our interim Treasurer for the rest of our school year.

These minutes can be found on our school website at <http://www.sirwilfridlaurier.ps.yrdsb.edu.on.ca/council/minutes.htm> and in the School Council binder in the administration office

7. **Confirmation of next meetings & Adjournment**

- **May 28**

8. **Review of Board Policies and Procedures** (FYI Only)

Policies for Comment

The Policy and By-Law Committee approved the following policies for distribution for comment. Your input is an important component of the Policy Review process. A [guideline](#) for policy review is provided for your use.

Please note that as outlined in [Board Policy #285.0, Board Policies, Procedures and Supporting Documents](#) parents/guardians of children attending a York Region public school may provide input on policies, with specific wording changes and related rationale, through their school council.

School councils may submit input to the Policy and By-Law Committee by the due dates specified by the Board. If your school council feels a policy needs to be revised, please submit specific wording changes with related rationale to the Policy and By-Law Committee at policy.committee@yrdsb.edu.on.ca or by fax at (905) 727-3984.

If you have questions or comments regarding the policy review process, please contact Lisa Reinhardt, Assistant Manager, Board and Trustee Services at (905) 727-0022, X 2217 or lisa.reinhardt@yrdsb.edu.on.ca.

Policies for comment

POLICY	RESPONSE DUE BY
Working Document Policy #163.0 , School Admission	
Working Document Policy #152.0 , Inclement Weather Days	
Working Document Policy #228.0 , Jurisdictional Learning	
Working Document Policy #642.0 , Field Trips	
Working Document Policy #660.0 , Political Clubs in Secondary Schools	
Working Document Policy #675.0 , Student Exchange Programs	
Working Document Policy #222.0 , Conflict of Interest	March 28, 2014
Working Document Policy #240.0 , Respectful Workplace and Learning Environment	May 2, 2014
Working Document Policy #325.0 , Continuing Education	May 2, 2014

Working Document Policy #103.0 , Awards	October 3, 2014
Working Document Policy #635.0 , Student Dress Code	October 3, 2014
Working Document Policy #408.0 , Appointment of Architects	October 31, 2014
Working Document Policy #445.0 , School Names	October 31, 2014
Working Document Policy #462.0 , Student Accommodation - Sites and Facilities	October 31, 2014
Working Document Policy #536.0 , Performance Appraisal Process	October 31, 2014