

Minutes for SWL School Council Meeting
November 25, 2015 7:00 – 8:30 pm

	✓/ X	Council Members		✓/ X	Staff Members
1	✓	Houri Awedikian – Co Chair		✓	Laurie Finn - Principal
2	✓	Shalini Bhardwaj		✓	Kathryn Gravill – Vice -principal
3	✓	Alex Cheung – Co Treasurer		✓	Rob Taylor (care taker)
4	✓	Diana Yau – Secretary			
5	✓	Raymond Cheung			
6	✓	Yifu Li – Co Treasurer			
7	✓	Felix Cheong			
8	✓	Juliann Ng – Co Chair			Parents / Guests
9	✓				Dorothy Tong
10	✓				Joyce Allimons

1. **Welcome:**

Welcome from Hourı Awedikian

2. **Minutes from last meetings**

Minutes from Oct 7 meeting was approved by 7 council members

3. **Treasurer's Report/Update (Alex)**

- Yufı will gather all the information on the funds collected from the lunches and then let Mme Finn know next week so she can prepare the wish list.

4. **Principal's Report**

- Wish list and Investment in Ed will come in the end of December, 2015
 - o Wish list generally contain items to support music, library, Math, Science materials and etc.
- Healthy schools compliance forms – forms already sent out to school vendors this year and must be completed every year. This year, school council switched pizza vendor from pizza pizza to Boston Pizza.
- Fall School Council rescheduled to Dec 2, 2015 at Milliken High School at 5:30 pm
- Board Policies and Procedures attached for review
- Feedback on student code of behaviour (in student agenda)
- Feedback on Homework Policy (in student agenda)

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

- 25 Chrome books ordered, and expected to arrive in December
 - School playground structure repaired and no invoice received. So may be still under warranty.

5. Chair's Update

- Thank you card sent and recipients were very happy about it

6. Sub-Committee's Reports/Updates

- Fund received from Investment in Education (Houri) is ~ \$8026.8
- Pizza (Annette) - no report as Annette was absent
 - Rob Taylor has a friend who owns Little Caesar Pizza. They cater to other schools already. – Rob can provide us contact if we are interested for future.
 - A few complaints such as the following received. (Honri will answer the parents regarding their concerns)
 - Why can't Kidskitchen still be offered on the day of school council lunch?
 - Why can't we have beef hotdog instead of turkey hotdogs?
- Lunch Lady and Turkey hotdog (Houri for Jane) – 245-270 kids ordered turkey hotdogs and only 1 complained, so may not be unfavorable.
- Extreme Pita (Shalini) – vendors provide extra – no compliant
- Sub lunches (Elisa – absent)
- Fun Fair – Juliana will lead the coordination.
 - Houri will send Juliana contact and previous blue prints for the organization process.
 - Julianna will create letter for sponsorship and send them to potential sponsor sooner the better in Jan so more time for the sponsor companies to respond
 - Hero burgers – Joyce said that there were complaints from parents in the past that they cannot buy burger on the day of the events. May need to order more extras for the day.
 - Juliana will see if she can find some food trucks for some sort of sponsor for the event
- PRO (Parents reaching out) Grant Update
 - Ministry of Education approved \$1000 grant for this year
 - Tentative Dates – Feb 10, 24, April 13, 27
 - Houri will email Elisa to figure out the date and speaker – topic is anything on parents involvement

7. Other Business

- Charity work at SWL during Christmas season:
 - Yellow Brick House
 - Markham Food bank – will start on Nov 30, 2015. Information will go home in a letter. Items will be picked up in December by the Food Bank.

- Children Aids Gift Drive – Mme Finn approached them, and they said they are not doing it anymore, so the school will focus on the Markham Food Bank Drive.
- Other Fundraising opportunities:
 - Samko and Miko
 - Julianne will call and get more information on the details
 - Northern Karate lunch program offers 8 weeks lessons for students during their lunch break.
 - \$80 + HST for 8 weeks including uniform
 - Prefer < 30 kids (Grade 1 to 8). Graduation ceremony after 8 weeks at their facility.
 - All profit will be donated back to school.
 - Company want to use the gym for their lesson. However no gym space available, Shalini will let them know we are interested but may be for next year.
- Snack order on a daily basis?? (Shalini)
 - At this moment, not possible. SWL has 4 snack days in a year when kids will bring in attendance sheet to the office and pick up a basket of pre loaded snack for their class. Too much workload if to do it on a daily basis.
- Milk program will resume in January with order forms going out tomorrow.
- Panera bread (Shalini) - more detail pending
- UB living Smart proposal for fundraising
 - U be living Company approached Houri – student will buy a case \$40. \$15 go to school, \$15 go to helping harvest food rescue program, \$10 go to company. Company wants to come and do the presentation and bring sample. We can arrange the date for presentation and sampling if we are interested. One time event. www.ubelivinsmart.com

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

- **February 3/ April 6/ May 25**