

Stonebridge School Council Minutes of Meeting

Meeting No. 3 Date: Monday, January 13th, 2020

Location: Stonebridge Public School Time: 6:30 p.m. – 8.30 p.m.

Present: Kevin, Sumir Bansal, Garth Morris, Cecilia Qiu, Ingrid Lambie, Micol Mihaila, Carmen Chan, Cindy Tse, Michelle Wu, Sophie Li, Joanne Wan, Stacy Hsu, Iris Tang, Virginea Ho, Bingley Gao

Third Stonebridge School Council meeting for the year 2019-2020 was called on 13 January, 2020 to discuss School related matters. The meeting was adjourned at 08:30 pm.

Items	Description	Action by
1	<p>Welcome:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Garth welcome everyone for our third meeting. • Garth greeted Active School Travel (Reena Mystry) and Hong Fook (Cindy Tse and Stacy Hsu) <p>Hong Fook presentation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The School hopes to grow a relationship with Hong Fook, hoping that Hong Fook will offer the community their programs for our community members. • Hong Fook only served York Region area for a year, however they have provided variety of service to families in York Region in Mandarin and Cantonese. • PA Day Program is a full day program will help parents and students work on social skills, leadership, youth counselling, support to families who face stress etc... • Their office is located at Bur Oak and 16th Ave and there is a digital space for youth to attend every Saturday afternoon at this location. • They hope to meet with family who are willing to work with the programs. • Parents support network workshop: the purpose is to develop the support of new comers and parents who have children the same age and encourage active communication. • Positive parenting, 11- 14 years old who come to small group setting which focuses on the positive use for technology. 	Garth

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • They are usually offered in Mandarin, however parents can request in Cantonese as well. The student program itself is delivered in English. • The nature of the program is with a small group focus (10 youth in a group). The maximum is 15 youths per session. • The school will send out more information electronically to parents and provide child care in the gym on the 20th of February. • Parents can contact the program by phone call to ensure that they wish to participate. • They also can register through the principals for all programs. 	
2	<p>Pizza Day:</p> <p>Updates from Pizza Committee</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pizza round 1 was going well, February 6 will be round 2. 	Virginea
3	<p>School Drop in or Activity Day: Proposing activity day for students</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Active Travel to School Pilot in Markham • Stonebridge PS is participating in an Active School Travel Pilot Program. • 4 Elements to the pilot <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Marketing 2. Education 3. Communication 4. Classroom competition- with monthly data collection/ family connection <p>Accomplishments to Date</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Family letter sent home in May 2019 • Letter sent to school staff in May 2019 	Garth

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AST assembly school wide • AST pilot kick-off event held in May 2019 • Attended 2019 fun fair and mapped out where students were walking from in the community <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Classroom competition to encourage students to walk or ride to school - Monthly winners, so far provided pizza. • Identified Wednesday as walking days (Walking Wednesdays) • Preliminary results was done by Class Senators and calculated at the end of the week. <p>Other accomplishments</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Featured in Markham life fall 2019 issue • Held a media launch in October 2019 • Invited to present pilot at Ontario traffic council, school zone safety workshop <p>Next Steps</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • From parent council AST sub-committee comprised of 1-3 members to work with board AST coordinator (Garth expressed an interest in continuing with this work). • Work with student Active School Travel club and Ministers to continue to educate. • Family connection is planned for Wednesdays. 	
4	<p>Fund Raising</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Updates from Direct Donation Fun Raiser • Direct donation before the last update, the last online update was 2200, looking for around \$4000 	Garth
5	<p>PRO Grant</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Ministry is handling the PRO Grants differently this year by giving the money to the board, and the board will give to the schools. 	Kevin/ Micol

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This money will be spent for a Parent/ caregiving session bullying and social media by Youth Speak which will be held on February 6th, 2020 at 6:30 to 8 p.m. (students had a session from Youth Speak on December 9) 	
6	<p>Fun Fair</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Updates regarding finalizing timeline for Fun Fair Possible committees were discussed June 11, 2020 is the confirmed date. For committees, Garth will look for committee in the next three weeks. We know how the process, and materials. We need the people power for the committee and provide supports. Garth will send out an e-mail for the committee to look for volunteers. The committee will meet together before the event to ensure all the supplies are prepared. Cicilia will support for the finding of committee members support the preparation of the fun fair. 	Garth
7	<p>Accounting Update</p> <p>Financial statement is provided by Sharon. Three Category: Donations Fun Fair Pizza Lunch</p>	Sophie/ Michelle
8	<p>School Administration update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dual language library is going good, and the school has purchased more books for the Community Library with the support of school council including texts that include diverse identities including highlighting the Black and Indigenous identity. <p>Nut Free School</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The school has sent home to parents of a notice of a nut free school in monthly newsletters and through 	<p>Kevin/ Sumir</p> <p>See More from Merkle, Kevin</p>

EDSBY. For example, if grandparents has accidentally packed lunch with nuts with their lunch, the students who has brought in lunch with nuts, will be sent to the office and the school will provide an spare lunch as well as make direct contact the specific student's parents in regarding to providing their child a nut free lunch.

Educational supplies

- A video was shared of the rich resources that were made available to every teacher to create classroom libraries. Budget has been provided classroom teachers for consumables, as well, every grade was provided with monies to support purchasing resources.

Recess/ Lunch

- The school would monitor the weather condition to determine what area is safe for student in outdoor recess. The school provided last school year \$75 for every classes to purchase soccer balls, basketballs etc.

Crossing Guard at the entrance of school parking lot in morning.

- Mr. Merkley noted that there is a staff member at the entrance of school parking lot at from 8:40 - 8:55 in the morning most days, therefore he recommended parents bring their children to school between 8:40-8:55, due to the side walk of the parking lot being closed in the winter.