

Stuart Scott
School Council Meeting
September 27, 2021
6:30-8:00pm

Chair: Holly Douglass	Secretary: Nicole Hamley Treasurer: Scott Woodard
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Present: Marnie Lye, Holly Douglass, Amy Arkeveld, Jennie Roberts, Adrian Cammaert, Scott Woodard, Mr. Barton, Nicole Hamley, Kelsey Collins

6:30 – 7:00

Closure of 2020-21 (Chairperson: 2020-21 Chair - Holly)

1. Welcome and introductions of the new Principal and School Council – Welcome Mr. Barton!
2. Overview of the School Council and its positions
 - Voting members; Chair; Treasurer; Secretary
 - Adrian interested in joining as a Voting Member
3. Review of Agenda and process for the establishment of new School Council
 - New council established: Holly (Chair), Scott (Treasurer), Nicole (Secretary)
4. Review and approval of May minutes and Treasurer's Report
 - Scott approved May 2021 minutes, seconded by Ashley and Marnie
 - Treasurer's report: \$2056 balance, possibly \$300 more but gap needs investigation
5. 2020-21 School Council is dissolved

7:00 – 7:05 Review current agenda

7:05 – 7:30 Principal's Update – Mr. Barton

- Norms – Mr. Barton discussed how to use Zoom to raise hands, ask questions
- Reminder of daily COVID screening process for students and not attending if feeling sick; review of how a symptomatic student is handled
- Students are to come to school prepared – Council can help with reminders
- Review of student entry/exit, late arrivals, student pick-up during school hours, dismissal
- Provided a presentation on the composition of school council
 - Teacher representative is Tara Brown
 - Reminder to search YRDSB policies on their website, particularly Fundraising
 - Reviewed the 5 stages of council participation/involvement and council responsibilities
- PEAC – Parent Engagement Committee; found on YRDSB website
- School Council Forum – Nov 8th – 5:30-8:30 pm; usually 1-2 members can attend
- SIP – School Improvement Plan. About 5 years old now, time to revisit.
- Construction at school – end of Oct/Nov; delays because of COVID
- Fire system – upgraded over the summer. Safety Week wrapping up; Hold & Secure done, fire drill to follow. Practiced lockdown

- Staffing – no re-org.
- Caring and Safe Schools presentation – all students had a presentation on general safety, COVID safety
- Staff wish list – Mr. Barton asked the staff for whole-school ideas
- Google Drive – council members will be added so everyone can access constitution, policies, news, agendas, etc

7:30 – 7:45 Schedule Meetings

- Majority of parent members prefer Tuesdays but teacher rep is important and Tuesdays aren't great for her; we chatted about rotating teacher reps but only 1 has expressed interest
- We can try and find some Mondays that work
- Next meeting: Tuesday, October 26th at 6:30-8pm

7:45 – 7:50 Review of last year's highlights/action items

- There was a strong focus on connection – holiday donations to Rose of Sharon & Food Pantry in lieu of giving tree; Terracycle box; mission/vision work; collaboration with JLR Bell – two nights: handling stress, Indigenous medicine; cookbook

7:50 - 8:00 Discussion of Action Items

- Ideas for fundraising this year
- Tasks / ideas related to our mandate
- What can Council do to support the school this year?
- Mr. Barton will set up a doc in the Google drive for members to contribute
- Chatted briefly about opportunities to share who we are – newsletter communications; rotating highlights on individual members

8:00 – 8:10 Community Corner

- Ashley flagged safety concerns associated with vehicles at/near school during drop-off and pick-up; discussion ensued, continue to think about addressing this challenge

Meeting adjourned at 8:14 pm.

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