

## Summitview PS School Council Meeting #2 of the 23/24 School Year

Date: Tuesday Nov 7, 2023 – 6:30-8pm

Location: Summitview Library

In Person Attendees:

Staff Attendees: Jason Innes , Jenny Cairney, Jacquie Paterson, Tara Acton, Leanne Jewett, Matthew Jones, Dawn Chaktsiris, Erin Travis, Heather Sopovski, Carey Yeoman, Jaclyn McKellar, Jaclyn Slovitt, Lisa Williams-Rozario, Michelle Legiehn, Jenn Ross, Alison Wannop, Lena Koke, Annalise Vanvleet

Meeting Agenda:

1. Call to Start. Land Acknowledgement.

2. Motion by Jenny to amend the Constitution to increase from 12 Parent Representatives to 16 Parent Representatives (quorum of 8 to 11)– Seconded by Erin. 10 voted yes, Passed.

3. Principal Update from Jason

EQAO Results from last year - available online. Math scores (Gr 3 and 6) comparatively low vs Province. Level 4s were low compared to Board. Province and Board-wide math scores are low. Reading and writing on par. Kids going through test faster now that it's online - need to figure out how to slow them down. Parents anecdotally sharing that high school math very challenging for kids today - lots of additional resources being put to it. Jump math is one. This year's EQAO will be end of May/beginning of June.

Whole School Activity Plan (Skating – Wednesdays in Feb) - Clippers Arena and Stouffville Arena (Feb 7, 14, 21, 28). 2 buses/day. Ice: \$3729 Bus: ?? \$10/student. Starting to figure out how many students need skates and helmets - might need to do a skate drive. Will need lots of helpers for these days. Get the ice all day. Ms Holtzman organizing. Can high school students come to help for these days?? Alison/Mr Innes will follow up

Student Council for Intermediates: Starting a student council. Ms Price, Ms Calvert, and Ms Marden will work with them. Mr. B's class has traditionally planned all the spirit days, we want to give a voice to more of the students.

School Fees: New - \$10/student in gr 6, 7, 8 for music. \$0 for agendas or learning materials. Anything required for learning we can't charge for. Don't really need instruments to learn music so we are charging a flat fee for students that participate in instrumental to cover the cost of the reeds/maintenance/cleaning. Mr. Alfonso now here 4 days a week and has been fixing up all the instruments. Maybe Kiwanis at the end of the year, maybe high school performance.

4. Parent Council Self Assessment from the Board on Inclusivity (from last meetings video). Take aways - an open call to add agenda items/items to address/comments on an issue - need a survey link added to the Principal's message that gets emailed out. Link to the website with the minutes to share with the broader community. Our council is not representative of the community - need to do a better job here.

5. Fundraising – Heather/Dawn

- a. Terra Cotta – Dawn - open as of monday until Nov 24th. Pickup Fri Dec 8th after school. Might need volunteers - Dawn will let us know. Money will go to Gr 8s this year for grad trip and graduation. Push it!
- b. Mabels's Labels – Heather - we get 20% off any order. Promote at beginning of year and beginning of summer. Heather will give info to Jason - will do a big May push.
- c. Dance-a-thon - Jenny talking to other schools. Professor Jams - they run everything, all grades. Jenny will keep looking into.
- D. Small Business Gift Cards - Heather - coming end of November. In the works.
- E. Spring - vendor event/craft sale? Incorporate into fair. Maybe incorporate box of cards (but might be logistically difficult re: boxes).

6. Upcoming School Events to be planned

- a) Staff Appreciation (Dec) - week before we break for xmas. Erin and Carey will spearhead. Jaclyns and Lisa will help, email to follow.
- b) Student Movie Night (Feb) - successful last year. Gr 8s to take charge? Sold pizza, chip, popcorn, etc. Dawn to think about.
- c) Spring Fair/Show (June)

7. Ideas for School Wide Event Sponsored by Parent Council

- a) Skating (Feb 7/14/21/28 2024)
- b) Markham Fair (Fall 2024)

Jenny motion to end meeting, Erin seconded. Meeting ended.