



**Ventura Park P.S. – School Council Minutes**  
**Monday, October 1, 2018**  
**7:00 PM – 7:45 PM**

<b>Council Members</b>	<b>Role</b>	<b>Oct 1</b>	<b>Nov 5</b>	<b>Feb 4</b>	<b>Apr 1</b>	<b>Jun 10</b>
Dennis Lazovski	Chair	✓				
Victoria Gamaniouk	Treasurer Liaison	✓				
Mojgan Rezvani	Secretary					
Jenny Alfandary	Member	✓				
Danit Fischtein	Member	✓				
Naomi Fogel	Member	✓				
Dana Glickman	Member					
Maya Obadia	Member					
Rosita Sadiklar	Member	✓				
Dina Simkhaev	Member	✓				
Shanyn Waxman	Member	✓				
<b>School Admin</b>						
Arin Otis	Principal	✓				
Mary MacKeracher	Vice Principal	✓				
Daniel Cohen	Teacher Rep	✓				
Jessica Forde	Teacher Rep	✓				
Sara Freedman	Teacher Rep	✓				
Michelle Kwendo	Teacher Rep	✓				
<b>Others present</b>						
Julie Stein	Non-Member	✓				
Kulsum Narajeli	Non-Member	✓				

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Item	Agenda Item / Discussion / Action Required
1.	<p><b><u>Welcome</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Meeting Commenced at 7:00am</li> <li>Mr Otis present, but had to leave for another meeting</li> <li>First council meeting of academic year (2018-2019)</li> <li>Welcome new VP</li> </ul>
2.	<p><b><u>Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Was approved by: Dana Glickman and Victoria Gamanidouk via email on June 12, 2018</li> </ul>
3.	<p><b><u>Appreciation</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Teachers for curriculum night</li> <li>Pam and Julie for an amazing fun fair last year</li> <li>Pam for running Pizza lunch program</li> <li>Maria the new receptionist, who has been great during the hectic first few weeks of school</li> </ul>
4.	<p><b><u>Treasurer's Update – Victoria G.</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Emphasizing the success of the fun fair, raised almost \$8000. It was a great success</li> <li>Just over \$35,000 fundraised last year</li> <li>Pizza and subs – looking at possibly raising \$10,000</li> <li>Left with \$27,000 available</li> </ul>
5.	<p><b><u>Co-Chairs Update</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Pizza and sub started last week – a few late orders (despite reminders and deadlines) and sales a bit lower than last year</li> <li>Committee sign up – grad, fun fair, parent education committee. Not yet received approval about funding for the parent education. Mary MacKeracher will follow-up.</li> <li>Grade 8 parent Sheri Rilett is organizing the grad committee (not present today at meeting) but hoping volunteers will sign up on the sheet that was circulated.</li> <li>Event planned for incoming grade 1 students at Funtastic forest with pizza available for purchase, and fruit/veggie tray provided by council. Cost \$5 per child with siblings permitted.</li> <li>School Council Meetings for 2018-2019 are scheduled at 7 p.m.- 8:30 p.m. as</li> </ul>

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	<p>follows: Monday October 1, Monday November 5, Monday February 4, Monday April 1, and Monday June 10</p>
6.	<p><b><u>Principal's and Teachers' Update</u></b></p> <p><b>Mr. Otis:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◊ Hello to all and welcome new Vice Principal Mme MacKeracher and new teacher Mr. Daniel Cohen</li> </ul> <p><b>EQAO Results</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◊ Did very well.</li> <li>◊ Grade 3:             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Math: S= 72%, Board=71%, P=61%.</li> </ul> </li> <li>◊ Grade 6:             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Reading: S=96%, B= 88%, P=82%</li> <li>○ Writing: S=95%, B=88%, P80%</li> <li>○ Math: S=80%, B=61%, P=49%</li> </ul> </li> <li>◊ Thanks to the teachers who made this happen</li> <li>◊ Great to have high scores. Although lower than last year, we exceeded board and provincial levels.</li> <li>◊ For more detailed results please visit <a href="http://www.eqao.com/en">http://www.eqao.com/en</a></li> </ul> <p><b>Class Organization and information:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◊ School doesn't reorganize but they are instructed to reorganize</li> <li>◊ It is all based on math</li> <li>◊ Standard number was to be 20 in class with 10% over with FI schools</li> <li>◊ Linked to board budget and ministry budget. We need to be compliant</li> <li>◊ Five grade-1 classes now, added an extra class due to high numbers</li> <li>◊ Lunch time programs: Will be announced soon. New ones planned this year</li> <li>◊ All math classes have new bins, filled with various things depending on grades, with manipulative math use</li> </ul>



	<b>Extra-curriculars</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Intermediate tryouts have started.</li> <li>Intermediate girls volleyball complete (team chosen). Areas: Girls – Nov 8<sup>th</sup>, Boys – Nov 13<sup>th</sup></li> <li>Cross-country → Practices start tomorrow at lunch. → Areas start Tuesday October 9<sup>th</sup>.</li> <li>Primary Intramurals starting for grade 1-3, beginning the last week of October (Grade 6 students lead).</li> <li>Like A Girl – lots of grade 4 girls, encouraging grade 5 girls. Encourage girls in athletics, starting next week.</li> <li>Tuesdays at Lunch Recess for Grade 4 and 5 female students.</li> <li>4 different sports - football, basketball, baseball, badminton</li> <li>Groove like a girl - dance – new addition</li> <li>Selling run-like-a-girl shirts to raise money for the group</li> <li>Run by Mr. Cohen, Mr. Domagala, and Mme Gallichio: Ukulele and guitar club - drop in on day 5, may do 2 days a week if busy.</li> <li>Primary chess club – grade 2-3 starting up</li> <li>Dance club for grade 1-2, organized by grade 6 students</li> <li>Math Wall Group also involved with questions around the school, run by older students (grade 4-6)</li> </ul>
7.	<b><u>New Business</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Answered questions regarding election</li> <li>Mental health services presentation – interest to bring it to the school. Can forward to admin or to school council directly. To be followed up.</li> </ul>
8.	<b><u>Election</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Please see the list of attendees on the table attached (page 1)</li> <li>Elected Executive members: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Chair - Dennis Lazovski</li> <li>Treasurer - Victoria Gamaniouk</li> <li>Secretary - Mojgan Rezvani</li> </ul> </li> <li>11 members elected in total.</li> </ul>
9.	<b><u>Adjournment</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Meeting adjourned at 7:45pm.</li> </ul>