

## WOODBIDGE PUBLIC SCHOOL – SCHOOL COUNCIL MINUTES

October 3, 2019  
6:30pm – 7:30pm

### Attendees

**Woodbridge P.S. Staff:** Mark McTaggart, Principal; Amalia Lucas, Vice Principal, Antonia Filippelli, Performance Plus Teacher

**School Council Attendees:** Lindsay Best, Renu Jetly, Michelle Valentini, Charlene Brown, Brynna Trakht, Nicole Huskovic, Laura Musso, Vircina Lewis-Duncan, Mark Jackman, Erica Jackman, Simona Gelao, Sara Abate Rezvanifar, Maria Ierullo

**Voting Member Regrets:**

**Meeting Minutes taken by: Antonia Filippelli**

Agenda Welcome and Introductions	Mark McTaggart	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• YRDSB School Council <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ni2UmiRmfBA">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ni2UmiRmfBA</a></li><li>• video shared with School Council</li><li>• any time commitment is appreciated</li><li>• 4 formal meetings for this year</li><li>• council committees can meet in the school, connect with Administration (e.g., planning for Fun Fair) prior to meeting to prepare</li><li>• FOCUS: What is impact on student well-being and achievement?</li><li>• being open to new decisions - what is impact? is this a need/focus for our community?</li><li>• sharing of Multi-year strategic plan<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>◦ School Focus: inclusive math, recognizing well being and impact of barriers our community faces</li></ul></li><li>• <a href="#">School Council Handbook</a> is on yrdsb.ca website</li><li>• School Council is an advisory body</li><li>• a position appointed is in support of everyone - positions provide a point of contact for school</li><li>• the formal meeting dates are shared with members</li><li>• emails of administration shared with council</li><li>• Council positions shared</li><li>• School Council Nomination forms expressing candidacy were shared</li></ul>
School Council Elections	Mark McTaggart	Positions Available: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Chair:</li></ul> CO-chair candidates: <b>Michelle Valentini, Charlene Brown, Erica Jackman, Nicole Huskovic</b>

		<p>-candidates shared a brief introduction</p> <p>-committee takes vote - both names for co-chairs are recorded on ballot</p> <p>-ballot results are counted by administration</p> <p>RESULTS:</p> <p>Michelle Valentini and Charlene Brown are elected as representatives for co-chairs</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Treasurer: Renu Jetty <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Brynna Trakht first nomination</li> <li>○ Nicole Huskovic second nomination</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>Unanimous vote in favour of Renu Jetty as Treasurer</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Secretary: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ vacant</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Voting Members <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Lindsay Best, Renu Jetty, Michelle Valentini, Charlene Brown, Brynna Trakht, Nicole Huskovic, Laura Musso, Vircina Lewis-Duncan,, Erica Jackman, Simona Gelao, Sara Abate Rezvanifar, Maria Ierullo</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>Notes:</p> <p>Erica Jackman offered design services for posters</p> <p>Committee considering WhatsApp Council group to promote ease of communication</p>
School Council Meetings	Mark McTaggart	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Four set meetings to review what school updates is, address concerns and set next agenda. Focus is on programming and fundraising. Committees created to talk and take action at other meetings.</li> <li>• Meeting rooms are available in the school. Connect with Amalia or Mark to secure a room for council work.</li> </ul>
Treasurer's Report	Renu Jetly/Mark McTaggart	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Due to current labour situation no Report Available at this time</li> <li>• We are in a good place and don't need to be overly concerned with fundraising. at this time. It's important to build relationships with community.</li> <li>• Request for donation form will be sent based on seasonal timing</li> <li>• Focus on initiatives for fundraising and/or community outreach for term 1 and term 2 - do fewer things very well rather than too many</li> </ul>
Admin Report	Mark McTaggart & Amalia Lucas	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• EQAO results are available on the school website. They allow the school to understand needs of students and development opportunities for staff. Math continues to be a focus for improvement for primary and junior</li> <li>• Graduation Venue for Ceremony Booked Da Vinci Banquet Hall Wednesday June 17, 2020</li> <li>• Focus on Engaging Student Voice, Room and Spirit Wear initiative <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ request by students not a fundraiser</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

- Need to think about community building/outreach and programming.
  - Do we want to revisit “Screenagers”?
- Need to consider what we can commit to for Term 1 and Term 2.

Discussion from Committee:

- current math curriculum is continuing to be implemented
- assessment of math curriculum overall expectations and specific expectations
- next meeting admin will have list of items that council typically funds/supports that applies to all community members
  - \$ 1000.00 deposit for graduation
- Many of our initiatives on hold/postponed
- Fun Fair - shared and explained to committee members
  - parent outreach for term 2- Fun Fair
  - parent outreach for term 1 -considering screening of movie “Screenagers”- build skill set of parents and students
  - good education piece for our student community and interactions with social media
  - connect with mental health piece
  - community outreach should precede fundraising
- current number of students: 496
- community is transient - “gateway to York Region”
- community building projects developing in our community
- Early On program
- school running out of space

Parent Outreach Ideas for term 1 shared:

- Math Night
- Screenagers screening
- need to be aware of bargaining position we are currently in when planning at this time
- clarification of protocols re: Support Workers Work to Rule
  - student bathrooms are being cleaned
  - Community Centres will be offering daycare services
  - continue to watch the news is recommendation from Admin
  - Board will be sending messages directly
- communication re: posters for Fun Fair needs to be approved by YRDSB Communications

		Homework: -brainstorm ideas -communicate through co-chairs
Remaining Formal School Council Meeting Dates	Mark McTaggart	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Monday November 4, 2019</li> <li>Monday February 3, 2020</li> <li>Monday April 6, 2020</li> </ul>