Yorkhill Elementary School - School Council Meeting Minutes

Parent Attendees: Jennifer Lui, Ebrahim Maskan, May Guo, Heather Brener, Renee Beckford, Johnnie Lee, Katherine (Kitty)

Ross, Netaly Brand, E.J. Stein, Jared Sarfin, Jaifen Gong, Dan Jacobs, Gary Shiu, Jenny Fuchs, Roxana

Balescu, Stephanie Ip, Lisa Diner, Andia Rezapourian

Staff Attendees: Josie O'Hara (Principal), Jennifer Angel, Stella Hantzakos

Location / Time: Yorkhill School Library, 7-8:30pm

Agenda	Speaker	Discussions /Actions		
Welcome	Josie	7:10 meeting commencement Roundtable introductions were made		
School Council Introduction	Josie	 Josie reviewed the roles, responsibilities and benefits of School Council. Council Executive roles: Chair, Treasurer, Secretary This year we will introduce 2 more roles: Communications Officer, Volunteer Coordinator Communications Officer will oversee SC newsletters and emails. Committee Chair positions were introduced, to oversee: Fundraising (Donation Drive) and other Spirit Wear Special Events and Presentations (FunFair, Carnival, Graduation) School lunches-Pizza and Sub Lunch Other (Co-ordinate lice check visits) Council Constitution follows the School board's generic Constitution template. An inquiry was made whether there was a customized version for Yorkhill. 		
Election of School Council Members	Josie	 All meeting attendees were approved as Council Members. Members acclaimed for the School Council Executive roles were: Co-Chairs: Stephanie Ip and Dan Jacobs Treasurer: May Guo Co-Secretaries: Jennifer Lui and Netaly Brand 		
School Council Meeting Dates	Josie	October 10, 2018 November 5, 2018 January 8, 2019		

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		February 4, 2019 April 8, 2019 June 6, 2019 All meetings will take place at 7pm in school library.			
PRO Grant	Josie	 2018/2019 theme agreed upon last spring: Mental Health and Mindfulness No specifics were made in the application, whether it would be 1 or 2 events. Programming still flexible 			
Principal's Report	Josie	 No specifics were made in the application, whether it would be 1 or 2 events. 			

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	•	Action: Jennifer L. will send contact info for Social Media presenter used at Woodland for Josie to compare content and costs		
Teacher's Report	Jennifer A.	 Terry Fox run: A new presentation was delivered Goal to raise \$2000; if reached, Mr. Manga will shave his locks Library Books for Primaries will go home starting tomorrow Grades 7/8 already brought home theirs Book care, etc. was taught to the students Lots of books were purchased this year for library Book Fair Beginning of December (tends to be more exciting when offered prior to holidays) Another one will occur in the spring Not a lot of French offerings 		
Treasurer's Report	Josie	Not reviewed as last year's treasurer moved on to Woodland. Action: Josie will share Treasurer files with May.		
Walk-in Topics	All	School is fully on Edsby Many parents are unaware of how to use it. A suggestion was made to send out a "How-To use Edsby" 1-pager to parents. Halloween Dance Oct. 25 was proposed, 6-8pm (not to run too late) Josie needs to get school permit (Yorkhill does not have a standing permit that other schools usually have) Ideas: Different colour wristbands Volunteers for distribution of snacks, pizza, drinks 1 gym Glow-in-the-dark bracelets		

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		 A subcommittee will meet to organize this event. Members interested are: Jennifer L., Jared, Kitty, Roxanne, Ebrahim, Gary, Dan, May 			
		Action: Jennifer L. will send out an email for the subcommittee to meet.			
Approval Of Minutes	Josie	Review of the minutes from the June 12 meeting. Motion to adopt the minutes: moved by Stephanie, seconded by Jenny			
Adjournment	Josie	 Meeting adjourned at 8:30pm Next meeting: Oct. 10, 2018, 7pm in the library 			

APPENDIX A: PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Staffing items: 4 Grade 1 French Immersion classes, new staff to our school. Approx 410 students

School Building: new windows, lift for stage, universal washroom

Month at a Glance- both Teacher and Principal Update

• Lunch time programs beginning mid-October (Lego, Art)

• Smooth start to school year

Welcome assemblies

Bus Evacuation

School Organization

French Immersion Classes	English Classes	
4 Grade 1 classes	2 JK/SK classes	
3 Grade 2 classes	1 SK/Grade 1 class	
1 Grade 2/3 class	1 Grade 1/2 class	
2 Grade 3 classes	1 Grade 3/4 class	
	1 Grade 5/6 class	
	1 Grade 6/7 class	
	1 Grade 7/8 class	
	1 Community Class	

Clubs, Activities:

- Cross Country for grades 4 to 8
- Lots of clubs and activities offered to students by staff throughout year

Board Foci

- for September PA day- Compulsory Health and Safety Training
- Continue work on the 3Ms- Comprehensive Math Program, Modern Learning, Mental Health, and Indigenous Education & Equity
- Working on our School Improvement Plan for Student Success (SIPSA)

Coming Up

- Paid Lunch Time Programs
- Pizza lunches
- Safety Week- fire drills, lock downs
- Terry Fox Walk September 27
- Electrical Safety and Conservation Assemblies September 28
- Curriculum Night/Meet the Teacher October 3

School Presentations and Activities (booked to date)

PRESENTATION	GRADES	DATE
Electrical Safety and Conservation Kim Wheatley (Indigenous Culture) Watershed o Wheels	K-8 K-8 Grade 1	September 28 October 12 November 2 & 9
Babar (bilingual) Financial Literacy Making a Difference	K-3 K-8 5-8	November 29 January 21-25 January –February (7 weeks)
Drumfit (non- competitive program Promotes physical literacy and personal fitness)	K_8	February - March
Earth Rangers (Environmental Education)	K-8	April
STEAM Workshops	K-8	Throughout
Youth Wellness Workshops	7-8	Throughout
MADD	7-8	December 12
Nutrition Program	1-8	Throughout school year
Skills Canada	7-8	October 17