**AY Jackson Secondary School Council Meeting**

**Tuesday May 29, 2018**

**Action Items:**

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| Item | Who | When | Status |
| Register at Event Bright for June 12’s Reach Out event | Mr. Paptutsis | ASAP |  |

Meeting convened at 6:30 pm

1. **Welcome & Introductions** (Principal Paputsis)
2. **Call for new business:**

2.1 1 item was brought up:

Concerns on students’ marks given by certain teachers

2.2 Further discussion on the marking system and how teachers’ marks are monitored and evaluated for fairness and consistency.

Parents’ questions:

Q1: If students or parents have issues with teachers’ competencies, who do they talk to to address the issue?

A1: Start with the teacher. Ask the teacher what their issues are with the student and how to solve the problem. If the student/parent is not satisfied, they can bring the situation to the dept head, and the vice principal may be involved to find a solution.

Q2: Can the former social teacher come to the school and present a workshop on how to deal with mental health issues, e.g. stress mgmt., depression?

A2: Yes. She’s confirmed she’d be happy to. Parents’ Council can consider this as one of the reach out event for next school year.

1. **Student Council Report** (Anu, SAC exec)

3.1 Recent and upcoming events:

April-May: SAC Exec election

Spring Fling

Food Fair

Prom

Upcoming: Therapy Dog if there is enough interest

1. **School Report** (Principal Paputsis)

4.1 Staffing update:

There were 7 vacancies and 4 have been filled (Math, English, French/Business and PhysEd)

4.2 Vice Principal Helen Vokas’ will be on Leave of Absence; new Vice Principal Rosalie Griffith will be on board as of Sept.

4.2.3 Parents’ council meeting in the new year:

-Wednesday, October 3, 2018 6:00pm (prior to G9 Curr Night)

-Thursday, November 13, 2018 6:00pm (prior to Univ/Coll Info Night)

-Thursday, January 10, 2019 6:00pm (prior to G9-12 Course Sel/Pathway)

-Tuesday, March 5, 2019 6:30pm \*Parent Engagement Evening\*

-Tuesday, April 23, 2019 6:30pm

-Tues May 28, 2018 6:30pm

4.2.4 Cashless School

Parents are encouraged to register in TDSB’s website and open an account for their children. Payment can be made on line by credit card for all school trips and other items requiring money.

4.2.3 Holy Day calendar

The Agenda for next year will have all the significant days listed in students’ agenda books.

4.6 Volunteer hours registration

For hours under 40, when a student has accumulated certain amount, they can come to the school office to submit.

For hours beyond 40, two weeks are dedicated for submission: April 30 to May 4 and Dec. 3-7.

1. **School Council Business** (Principal Paputsis and Co-Chair Jack)

5.1 Parents Reaching Out Grant

The second reach out event is planned to happen on Tuesday June 12 from 6:30 to 8:30.

Three AYJ graduates, who are currently enrolled in or graduated from University of Toronto, University of Waterloo and Ryerson University, will come back and share their experiences in their university and high school lives and tips on how to manage the challenges at each stage.

5.2. Parents’ Council co-chair has submitted request for next year’s grant.

Meeting adjourned at 7:50 pm

**Next Meeting: October 3, 2018 at 6PM**