

Givins/Shaw School Council Meeting Agenda
April 12, 2016 - 6:15 pm to 8:00 pm
School Library

Parent Attendance

Michael Candeloro, Cadence Wade, Dave Capelli, Jennifer Canham, Dale McIntosh, , Penny Pantazopoulos, Donna Diakun, Kate Greenaway, Lorna Fotiadou, Jessica Rosebush, Jean Scranton, Mel, Michael Sims, Jeanie Calleja, Anika Judza
*apologies if you were missed

Faculty Attendance

Ms. Stockton, Ms. Gorham, Suzie Keko-Aranilla, interim Principal, Suzanne Whalley

Acceptance of last meeting minutes – APPROVED (by Jean and seconded by David)

Principal's Update —

1. Staffing Committee

- Nadira Persaud will be back as soon as she can; I will most likely be here until end of April; completing tasks that need to be done at this time of the year in preparation for new school year
- Staffing model: from 13 models, went to 3 then 1 which was approved by Superintendent on Friday afternoon; much healthy debate over which model would be most appropriate (see appendix at the end of this document)
- Head caretaker Greg transferred closer to home April 11 and part timer Alberto also left due to increased hours elsewhere; temp in for Greg until vacancy filled via internal postings; not sure how long

2. Local Feasibility Team meetings:

- will narrow down to 2 different options; look at data until 2025 in G/S, AMG/The Grove, Queen Victoria, Charles G. Fraser
- looking for the least disruptive, most appropriate for long term (don't want to shift the problem elsewhere) and ideally to keep capacity at all affected schools at a minimum of 90% full in each building as well as keep costs as low as possible
- Public consultation date should be known soon and will most likely take place week of May 11 because there is a need of at least one full school year to make some of the possible changes
- many factors must be examined and no matter which option picked, there will be some parents/staff who find they do not like certain aspects about that option

*if you want to have your voice heard re: space please email givinsshawcouncil@gmail.com to join the "Space" committee or please let the Principal know of any comments.

3. Technology:

- ten iPads to be ordered shortly via school budget; in the process of developing 3 year plan and asking for patience/faith that will end up with a good plan and accountable for using iPads appropriately & satisfactorily; will update Council; still would appreciate support financially to continue to purchase iPads; additional \$2,000* will mean that school can buy iPad Air instead of iPad minis
- old library computers to be removed soon; tables may have to wait until summer as Task Force needs to be called in due to electrical outlets;
- PD will be provided for staff re: technology

*Update: iPad Air 2 now available & being purchased w. additional \$1,000

SPRING CONCERT

Kindergartens – April 19th
Grades 1 – 6 – April 20th

Drop off your kids at 5:55 PM

Please bring diapers (LARGER SIZES are most needed) or non perishable food items for a spring donation to help those in our community who are less fortunate.

ECO HOP on Friday, April 22nd

We will be dancing and raising money for School Council that will help with the eco-initiatives
Song request sheets are posted by the Shaw Street exit and the parents volunteering will decide what songs are appropriate and which are not.

Everyone is asked to wear something green....pull out your dancing shoes, and get ready to hop!!

Pledge forms have been sent home.

schedule

10:35 - 10:55	kindergarten
11:00 - 11:40	grades 1 / 2 and 2 / 3
12:50 - 1:50	grades 3 / 4 , 4 / 5 and 5 / 6

also

Bring a **litter less lunch on Friday April 22nd**

Bring your own **water bottle** and **walk n' roll to school** for the whole week

BIKE SWAP AND YARD CLEAN UP

April 30th from 9-12 pm (rain day will be sunday)

Bring your outgrown bikes, get a new one, get your bike tuned up and help with some yard and garden clean up

You can drop your bikes (or scooters) off anytime in the courtyard on the Shaw Street side OR bring them the day of

FAMILY MATH NIGHT - MAY 5th

Families are invited to come by the school and visit various "math" stations – learning math games that the children do in school and you can do at home.

Open to all families Kindergarten – Grade 6.

Time to be announced

PARENT BAND NIGHT

All parents, friends and family of Givins Shaw (adults only) are invited to the Cadillac Lounge on May 19th for an evening of fun and entertainment.

If you are interested in participating on stage – singing, playing an instrument or helping out please contact Shae at shaelah@gmail.com

Otherwise mark your calendars and come out to socialize with other parents! It is a ton of fun.

More details to come closer to the date.

FUN FAIR

May 28th will be our annual Fun Fair and largest fundraising event of the year. Activities include: pony rides, bouncy castles, rock climbing, dunk tank, carnival games, popcorn, cotton candy, silent auction, BBQ, salads and baked goods plus MORE!

We will need everyone's help and volunteer information will be communicated soon.

It's time to get those "**Silent Auction Donations**" into the office! If you, the company you work for, your favourite retailer/restaurant or someone else you may know would like to make a donation, please do so by dropping off at the school office by **May 2nd** and attach/include a donation form (forms are in the office/with Suzie). Gift certificates, merchandise, concert tickets, jewellery, tickets to sporting events, yoga passes, etc. have all been popular items at past events! All items must be new/unused. We will not be including any used housewares or other used items which should be donated to charities such as Clothesline, The Furniture Bank etc. Should you have any questions, feel free to contact Alison Clarey at alisonclarey@gmail.com.

Sponsorship: There are a variety of levels of both corporate and personal sponsorship and these help to off-set the costs (food, beverages, tents, tables, activities, equipment, prizes). If you are interested or have a recommendation please contact Kate at hobsonkate@gmail.com All event contributors and sponsors will be acknowledged with signage and thank you notes.

Posters for the Fun Fair will be available soon – please consider taking one and posting it in your place of work, at your local coffee shop, in the library, at your mom’s group etc ...

Any Fun Fair questions can go to dale_mcintosh@sympatico.ca

Sports Committee –

Badminton – had their tournament on April 11th and won! Congratulations to all team members

Soccer has begun for both boys and girls

Ultimate Frisbee is underway

Comment was made about replacing the basketball nets outside and this is being looked at.

The field has been reviewed by the TDSB and plans are underway to add mulch this spring and a work order has been put in place for full maintenance in 2017.

Nutrition Committee – The Nutrition Committee has its own “webpage” - <http://gsschool.wix.com/gsnutrition> that is updated regularly. Be sure to check it out. As well, they continue to offer new snack foods and drive positive awareness about nutrition and wellness.

The cookbook is in production – thank you to all who submitted recipes and artwork. Keep an eye out for when they go on sale! Money raised will support the Nutrition program.

Also, if you forgot to drop off your “donation envelope” you can always do so anytime to the school office.

Cash or cheques are accepted (made payable to the Givins Shaw Nutrition Program) and a donation of \$20 per child per term (Fall and Winter/Spring) is the suggested amount.

TREASURER’S REPORT

Treasurer's Report

11-Apr-16

	Inflows	Outflows	Net
Events/Fundraising			
Fall BBQ	541	897	(356)
Wine raffle	1,700	-	1,700
Pancake breakfast	1,459	480	979
Clothing sale	488	-	488
Coffee sale	2,168	1,335	833
Cookie sale	1,549	900	649
School holiday party	-	437	(437)
Toonie Sale/Donations (Syrian Family)	2,163	2,163	-
Movie Night (Nutrition Committee)	1,184	1,184	-
Total	11,252	7,396	3,856
	Budget	Actual YTD	Under (Over)
Budgeted Expenses			
Nutrition	9,500	9,500	-
Music/art/presentations	3,500	3,785	(285)
Eco/outdoor space	1,000	-	1,000
Classroom funds (14 x \$500)	7,000	2,206	4,794
Transportation (14 x 300)	4,200	-	4,200
Music	1,000	-	1,000
Library/French	2,000	465	1,535
Sports / phys. Ed	2,000	1,965	35
Graduation	500	-	500
Lice squad	750	-	750
Technology Fund	5,000	-	5,000
Council meetings, police checks, bank fees, and miscellaneous	2,000	1,341	659
Total	38,450	19,262	19,188
Year to Date Summary			
Opening balance August 1, 2015			53,479
Prior fiscal payments/deposits			(3,013)
Net funds raised (above)			3,856
Council spending (above)			(19,262)
Fun fair payments/commitments			(5,594)
Cash position April 11, 2016			29,465
Cash position if remaining budget spent			10,277

Communication:

The Bulldog Bulletin Newsletter and the Bulldog Bulletin Notification messages seem to be working well for distributing information to the Givins Shaw parents. If you are not receiving these please email Givins Shaw council so that your email can be put on the list.

Website – the school's TDSB site is up to date (correct information); however, more creative pages are in the works to direct people to that will include more photos and a nicer aesthetic look.

<http://schoolweb.tdsb.on.ca/givinshaw/Home.aspx>

UPCOMING DATES:

April 19th – Spring Concert (Kindergarten)

April 20th – Spring Concert (Grades 1 – 6)

April 22nd – Eco-Hop (during the day)

April 30th – Yard Clean-up / Bike Swap

May 5th – Family Math Night

May 19th – Parent Band Night @ Cadillac Lounge (Parent Social)

May 28th – Fun Fair

June 27th – Grade 6 Graduation