



Zion Heights MS – School Council Meeting #6

Wednesday April 27, 2022
6:30 PM to 8:00PM

Attendance

Principal Chi Le, V.P Emmanuel Peter, teacher Mr. Singh, Phouvieng Sackda, June Leung, Aaron Iravani, Terri Wen-Ying Sung, Dickson Liu, Seelan Visva, Jean Paul Ngana, Banasha Shah, Mojdeh Mojaradi, Katherine Whang, Kalan Chung, Kiran Asrani, Samson Chiu, Jenny Zeng, Hennedy Eng, May Li, Helena Li, Norman Lin, Nasrin Shabestari, Jian Yao, Lu Wang, Teisha Mullings, Chiho Iwata

1. Land Acknowledgement

“We acknowledge we are hosted on the lands of the Mississaugas of the Anishinaabe, the Haudenosaunee Confederacy and the Wendat. We also recognize the enduring presence of all First Nations, Métis and the Inuit peoples”

2. Welcome

Co-chairs – June/Phouv

Good evening and welcome to our first in-person meeting for this school year. For those who are online, thank you for joining us.

Approval of meeting agenda – Motion: Aaron second: Katherine

Approval of January 26th, 2022 meeting minutes – Motion: Dickson second: Katherine

Approval of February 23rd, 2022 meeting minutes – Motion: Dickson second: Katherine

3. Teacher’s Report – (Mr. Singh)

Grade 6 classes have just went on their Outdoor Ed trips to Sheldon lake and participated in a variety of- activities like mountain biking and archery.

Grade 7s have just had their outdoor ed field trips either to Mono Cliffs for Orienteering and low ropes, or Albion Conservatory to learn about maple syrup tapping

Grade 8 classes just went on their Outdoor Ed trips to Mono Cliffs for a variety of outdoor activities including low ropes, climbing walls, and Predator and Prey

4. Principal's Report – (Principal Chi Le)

Health & Safety

- COVID19 Vaccine Clinic & HPV @ZHMS - April 30 - 12 - 6pm
- ZHMS continues to be mask friendly, students are provided free medical masks until the end of the year
- TDSB continues to strongly recommends medical advice from Dr. Tam and DeVilla to mask indoors when possible
- Daily safety announcements will until further notice
- Daily reporting of covid cases will continue until the end of the year

Programs & Staffing

- Staffing Committee Process Overview
- Staffing Model
- Staffing / School Council co-chair consultation
- Caring and Safe Committee consultation
- Student consultation
- SOE consultation and approval
- No staffing surplus due to teachers on leave and/or in central positions
- COVID funding allotted this year for additional staff will be eliminated next year

- Staffing model for Sept 2022 - approval
- Projected ~ 425 in-school students next year
- Loss of 0.5 teaching position;

- School organization model for Sept 2022 - due May 20
- Major changes
- Lunch reverts back to 60 mins (currently 40)
- Single lunch period - gr.8s in the nutrition room and some will go across the street; gr.6/7s to the cafeteria, lunch vendor status TBD

- Recess - revert back to middle/senior school model - 3 min transition periods (due to rotary), no am or pm recess; timetabled (daily physical activity) DPA for each homeroom

- band/strings program - will return to a model similar to 2019

- Celebrating Asian Heritage month in May - The movie "Turning Red" will be shown for movie night at Zion. Entrance is FREE - students and parents must preregister.

Facilities

Enhanced daily/nightly cleaning continues until further notice

5. Financial Report (Treasurer: Terri Sung)

The total amount in our PACE account was \$9,158.34 as of March 31, 2022. This was the same as the previous month's figure. We also received two cheques. One cheque for the amount of \$925

was from the school spirit ware sale. Another cheque is from the Family Night Pizza Fundraiser in the amount of \$325. The two cheques will be deposited into our PACE account later.

6. Other Business

Katherine – Another Family Night Pizza Fundraiser is set for May 4th. And a possible pizza lunch for students in June.

Graduation (June Leung)

— Request for council funding of \$600 to host graduation refreshment reception

Phouv to organize and set up light refreshment drinks and prepackaged food like chips and cookies etc. for graduation reception.

Motion: Jean-Paul **Second:** Banasha

Motion approved.

Pro-Grant (Workshop for parents on Oppression about Anti-Racism)

We found a speaker that is within our budget for the Pro-grant workshop on Anti-Oppression. Her name is Marty Lampkin and she is from the TDSB lists. The event will be in-person on May 18th, from 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm.

Outline of Workshop:

1. Introductions
2. Defining Canadian Culture
3. Unpacking an understanding of the Forms of Oppression
4. Defining Anti-Oppression
5. Unpacking an understanding of Anti-Oppression
6. Interactive Activity and discussion
7. Defining Ally ship and closing remarks.

New business

School needs and allocations of funds

Banasha: Do we have enough orders to print the yearbook?

Mr. Le: Yes, we have orders of 150 plus

Teisha Mullings: Raised the issue about some students not being able to afford to go to a graduation party and also suggested partnering up with companies on graduation clothing for those who can't afford them. Principal Le indicated that he would reach out to families he is aware of who may require assistance and ask if they need help. June also also indicated that once Principal Le identifies the students who require assistance, he would work with council to support the students. Mr. Le emphasized that all grads should be able to celebrate their success and no students will be left behind due to financial reasons.

Motion to adjourn: Banasha **Second:** Katherine

Meeting Adjourned at 7:42 pm

Next Meeting

Wednesday, May 25 2022, 6:30 pm – 7:30 pm