

# Cameron School Council

211 Cameron Avenue, North York, Ontario

Working to enhance our children's educational experience

Date: January 19, 2022 Time: 7:00 pm

**Place: Virtual** 

ATTENDANCE: (indicated with an X, in no particular order)

2021/2022 PARENT MEMBERS		CAMERON SCHOOL		PARENTS/GUARDIANS/GUESTS	
Х	N. Haghnejat (Co-Chair)	Х	P. Bonavota (Principal)	х	R. Tijeras
Х	M. Ben-Aron (Co-Chair)	Х		Х	Balina
Х	R. Matthews (Treasurer)	Х		Х	Ben H
Х	D. Ghiassi (Secretary)	Х		Х	P. Mehrani
Х	J. Pereira	Х			
Х	S. Carrasco	Х			
Х	M. O'Brien Fehr				

All are welcome! Cameron parents/guardians are encouraged to read each month's School Council meeting minutes, and attend meetings to participate in discussions, and assist with decision making.

Past meeting minutes can be viewed here:

https://schoolweb.tdsb.on.ca/cameron/School-Council/Agendas-and-Minutes

- Mark your calendars! Meeting Dates for 2021/2022 the 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of each month 7-8 pm (unless a conflict arises):
  - Sep 29, 2021
  - Oct 20, 2021
  - Nov 24, 2021
  - Jan 19, 2022

- Feb 23, 2022
- Mar 23 ,2022
- Apr 20, 2022
- May 18, 2022

## Agenda/Minutes:

#### School Council Updates

- The whiteboards that was discussed in the last meeting have been purchased and secured. We are finalizing the quote for installation
- Launch the Holiday Card fundraiser and also sent out the Donation Letter. We received great responses from our parent community and raised \$3,900 for donation letter and about \$1,000 from holiday card.
- In summary we raised \$4,400 to date and spent about \$4600 (across the holiday Decker door decorating contest, the whiteboards and our estimate on what installation)
- To keep the donations coming, an update on donation letter will be sent every week with Cameron updates.
- Parent volunteers No update on this yet but that is something we can look at and plant the deeds for next year.
- Bylaws update. We have a new template as part of TDSB that they want us to adopt as of May of this year. Monica will forward it to Marcus and see how we can update it.

## COVID Update

- Rapid tests Mr. Bonavota update: We received our blocks this morning and thanks to our amazing office staff, we managed to get them ready.
- Parents and families from K to grade two should have received them today;
   the rest of the school will get them tomorrow
- Reminder that when you do look at those kits, make sure you pay attention to the email that school sent out today which includes information on how to administer it.
- The hope is that we can get more test in the future
- We do have some PCR tests left and we need to keep these for students that
  present asymptomatic or symptoms at school. We have no info on if and
  when they will be replenished.
- Question on if there is a case in the class room what happened? The
  classroom will stay open and students who do not show symptoms can
  attend. Students that are presenting symptoms will remain home while the
  class will continue.
- Question on return of parent volunteers coming anytime this year? Mr.
  Bonavota indicated Yes, as soon as we can try to move on beyond the
  current circumstance. But right not the school is literally closed to everyone,
  outside of you know, children or support staff coming in

- Question on when reporting COVID cases and closure? When 30% of the whole school population is absent, it will be reported.
- Switching between in person & virtual: Familied have until February 22<sup>nd</sup> to switch. Currently we do have about 15 to 20 families that are working through a request. It will have an impact on us in terms of staffing, but have no further info at this point

#### Future Fundraising update

- Monica mentioned last year we talked about forming a fundraising committee in the new year. Thinking about working toward an online auction which will align with the Spring Fair.
- Monica has 2 volunteers so far and will put out communication to see if we can get more volunteers
- She has inherited vendor lists from previous years. of local companies that have been very generous in the past so that be like who we hit up first, to generate some buzz and interest

#### Cameron website

• Rob received some feedback but still looking for more volunteers and input.

Meeting adjourned at 7:38