



# Cameron School Council

211 Cameron Avenue, North York, Ontario M2N 1E8

*Working to enhance our children's educational experience*

**DATE:** March 26, 2015

**PLACE:** Cameron P.S. Staffroom

**TIME:** 7:00 P.M.

# DRAFT

**ATTENDANCE:** (indicated with an x)

2014/2015 PARENT MEMBERS		CAMERON SCHOOL		OTHER	
x	Z. China-Campbell (chair)		H. Bieler	x	J. Winter Dicola
x	K. Lawrence (secretary)		A Benvenuto		
	M. Jung (treasurer)	X	J. Johnson		
	J. Beeksmma		L. Poole (acting principal)		
	M. Belchetz	x	A.Sardi		
X	D. Greenwood				
	A. Maisonneuve				
	T. Moppet				
X	J. Purcell Martin				
	C. Ring				
	S. Rizvi				
	P. Shirvastava				
X	A. Smith				
X	Y. SoBeach				

## 1. Welcome & introduction

Z. China-Campbell welcomed parents to the meeting.

## 2. Approval of the minutes

A motion was made by D. Greenwood and seconded by Z. China-Campbell to approve the minutes from the February 18<sup>th</sup> meeting.

## 3. Principal's report

L. Poole reported on various items including:

- Dance-a-thon – A great big thank you to Amanda Maisonneuve, for organizing and running our dance a thon. The students and teachers had a great time dancing. Thank you to the parents/guardians/family and friends who sponsored the students for this fundraiser. Last year we raised \$3,467.00 and this year the dance-a-thon raised \$5,672.93! The 2 classes that raised the most money were Mr. Correia's class at \$975.00 and Mr. Zupnik's class at \$712.00.
- Lice Checks - Nine students were found to have head lice. Letters were sent home if there were a number of students in one class who were found to have lice.
- Next year could the School Council consider allotting money for refreshments for a number of school events 1) freezies for the Terry Fox Walk 2) apple juice and cookies for the Young Authors Day 3) freezies for Play Day 4) pizza lunch for grade 3 Book Club culminating party. It is difficult to estimate the total but it would be approximately \$250.



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- We have approximately 40% of our budget remaining. On track. Recently purchased 2,500.00 of math manipulatives for classrooms/ professional resources for planning for teachers, focusing on problem solving.
- On March 30th and April 2nd, classroom teachers will be engaged in professional learning. Teachers will be visiting exemplary classrooms in our family of schools to observe and dialogue with the teachers. They will be returning to school to engage in planning and implementing strategies observed, focusing on Student Voice, Differentiated instruction and Descriptive Feedback. These are our identified key strategies in our School Improvement Plan which promote greater student engagement and achievement.
- Jewish Family and Child Services has sent us their April workshops – Workshops open to all and registration in necessary. You can register at [www.ifandcs.com/groups](http://www.ifandcs.com/groups). EFFECTIVE PARENTING- Tuesday April 21/15 from 1 to 3 p.m. at 35 Madison Ave (downtown) OR Thursday April 23/15 from 7 to 9 p.m. at 9600 Bathurst St- Lebovic JCC OR Thursday April 30/15 from 7 to 9 p.m. at 750 Spadina Ave.- Miles Nadal JCC. NEW- BULLYING AND LEARNING DISABILITIES- Tuesday April 28/15 from 7 to 9 p.m. at 4600 Bathurst St.- Lipa Green Centre.MIND, BODY, CONNECTION for Women: Wednesday April 29/14 at 35 Madison Ave (downtown ) from 2 to 3:30 p.m. OR Thursday April 30/15 at 4600 Bathurst St.- Lipa Green Centre from 7 to 8:30 p.m.
- Upcoming events : SKIz lunchtime workshops – Graphic Novels – Begins on March 30, Clay creations – Begins on March 31, Earth Rangers presentations– April 1, Good Friday – April 3, Easter Monday – April 6, Day of Pink – April 8, Grade 5 graduation photos – April 9, PanAm/Parapan games – School Contest winner – April 17th

#### 4. Spring Fair & Other Fundraising Discussion

- **Spring Fair:** Jen – class baskets, earlier collection to allow some more time. Next week. Question, in past prize for top class – ice cream bar and extended recess. How is money handled? 5 people helping and doing shopping. Letters via paper & then email.
- James: focus on bigger sponsors. \$2500 cash confirmed, \$7000 in kind (5-6 gold, 3 silvers, couple bronze), requesting all in by May 1<sup>st</sup>, whole foods may do \$1500 in kind – food
- Need someone to do bid sheets, cash room person in place,
- James has sent email to class parents for silent
- Need volunteer chair (day before & day of)
- Tentative spring fair meeting with Heather, Andrea
- Petting zoo, rides all booked
- Cartoon Artist & we get about % of proceeds
- Jen Martin to send out communications, central person to distribute
- Set-up/ take down crew in place
- Tables usually come from Earl Haig
- D. Greenwood & J. Beeksma to speak re:sponsorship

**Other Business**– n/a

**Meeting wrapped up at 8:15 with the next meeting date set as April 16, 2015.**