



# Cameron School Council

211 Cameron Avenue, North York, Ontario M2N 1E8

*Working to enhance our children's educational experience*

**DATE:** January 22, 2015

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

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

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

2014/2015 PARENT MEMBERS		CAMERON SCHOOL		OTHER	
x	Z. China-Campbell (chair)	x	H. Bieler	x	J. Winter Dicola
x	K. Lawrence (secretary)		A Benvenuto	x	A.Maisonneuve
x	M. Jung (treasurer)		J. Johnson		
x	J. Beeksma				
	M. Belchetz				
	D. Greenwood				
	A. Maisonneuve				
	T. Moppet				
x	J. Purcell Martin				
	C. Ring				
	S. Rizvi				
x	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 Y. SoBeach and seconded by A. Smith to approve the minutes from the December 8<sup>th</sup> meeting.

3. A & A Maisonneuve – moving the end of February. Will not be able to fully support current roles but will still help the day of the dance-a-thon and the day-of the spring fair.

## 4. Spring Fair & Other Fundraising Discussion

- **Holiday Bazaar:** \$1114.50 raised
- **Spring Fair:** Petting zoo booked – covered with liability. Contacted agents re: FB page and sponsorship levels (bonze <\$500, silver \$500, gold ~\$800). Email blast to ask people to “like” parent council spring fair page. J. Beeksma will continue to prospect for sponsors. Class baskets – managed by J. Winter-Dicola. NEED silent auction lead volunteer and helpers to split up requests. Hindy recommends a small orientation to get volunteers aligned. Leverage grade parents to get volunteers.
- **Other Fundraising** – Dance-a-thon March 6<sup>th</sup>. Money to be kept in safe and then counted in the office. Do an grade parent email blast. Will need a small float.
- Option of a cash drive for future years.



## Cameron School Council

211 Cameron Avenue, North York, Ontario M2N 1E8

*Working to enhance our children's educational experience*

### 5. Principal's report

H. Bieler reported on various items including:

- Harvest food bank – Total weight 1300 pounds or 589.67 kilos; last year was 425 kilo's which is a 38% increase in our collection (partly due to more students)
- Lice Checks – 5 students in one grade 1 class.
- Activities: Lunch – Skilz workshops – 3 workshops servicing appx. 60 students. Grade 3 Reading Club – Days 1,3 & 4. (Ms. W.E.) Boys' Grade 4/5 Basketball. Silver Birch reading program. Appx. 10-12 gr. 4/5 students. Every Wednesday during AM recess. They check in, share their ideas about the books they have read, and get new books. They also have activity packages with different sheets connected to each book to work on when they are finished. The voting takes place in April. Any student who has read at least 5 of the 10 books is eligible to vote. The awards are given out at Harbourfront Centre in May. (Beatty). Eco – club – Thursday's – 2x's per month PALS Leaders – PM recess on Tuesdays and Thursdays run activities for Grades 1,2 and 3 (rotates) in the gym, supervised by teachers.
- Teamwork – Assembly will be on Friday, January 30th at 9:10 am
- Tech: After discussion with the ICT committee about future capacity building of technology in our school, it was decided that we purchase Ipads for student use (10 Ipad Air's with Apple Care and protective devices ~\$6,000). We are able to do this from some budget carry over from last year. Purchase existing set of MCS-2.0 Netbooks – the 3 year term is up as of June. (Total cost ~4,800)
- WORKSHOPS: EFFECTIVE PARENTING- A four session group to help parents learn what they can do to raise a happy, motivated and well behaved child. For parents of children ages 2 to 10 years. Tuesday February 10/15 from 7 to 9 p.m. at 4600 Bathurst St. -Lipa Green Centre. PARENTING THE CHILD/TEEN WITH ADHD- Four week group for parents of children or teens diagnosed with ADHD. Monday February 2/15 from 7 to 9 p.m. at 4600 Bathurst St.- Lipa Green Centre.
- DATES: **Friday, Jan. 23** – PA day, **Friday, February 6** – 2nd skating date – AM Kindergarten; PM Gr. 1-5, **Wednesday, February 11** – Winter Carnival/Play Day & Term 1 Report Cards home, **Thursday, February 12th** – 8:00am Pancake Breakfast & PM Skating – Grades 1-5 & Interview Evening (if requested by teacher or parent), **Friday, February 13th** – P.A. Day, Monday, **February 16th** – Family Day, March Break – **March 16 – 20** inclusive.

- Questions/ discussion regarding computer lab use given the growing technology capability. What types of things are being done in computer lab. Expectations regarding appropriate programs are a topic being addressed within the school.

### 6. Other Business – treasurers report will be in February

**Meeting wrapped up at 8:05 with the next meeting date set as Wednesday February 18, 2015.**