

**Dallington School Parent Council  
Meeting #4**

Agenda – Thursday, April 12th 2018  
6:30pm. School Learning Commons

In attendance:

Jackie Chau (Chair)  
Susan Pitre (Principal)  
Mahnaz Ghalib (community)  
Camila Kamarad

Vanessa Sandy (Treasurer)  
Adam Somer (VP)  
Miriam Drukker

Yalena Zuluaga (Secretary)  
David Hawker-Budlovsky  
Marco Isobe

**1. Welcome and Introductions:**

**2. Current Fundraising events and volunteering updates:**

-**movathon** tomorrow: over \$1300 raised... tba more funds from online donations (7-10 days to show)  
Online donations work well for parents. Will use same system for next year.

-**Movie Night**, May 25th: x2 movies (voted by students) will be shown at our gyms at school. More info to come. Popcorn donations from cineplex TBA

- **STAFF APPRECIATION lunch:** June 14<sup>th</sup> 11:30-1pm – we will be asking for cash online donation or food donations for the event

**PIAC EVENT:**

There will be a conference call Parents as Partners hosted by PIAC (Parent Involvement Advisory Committee) and the Special Education Advisory Committee (SEAC). The topics will focus on "The Mental Health and Well-Being Parent Partnership Committee and Model Schools for Inner Cities' Parent Academies are thrilled to join together to bring one all-inclusive conference to TDSB parents and caregivers." This is free conference held on Saturday April 28th at Beanfield Centre (105 Princes' Boulevard) from 9-4. Free lunch and child care will be provided, and transportation can be arranged through the website. To sign up: <http://www.parentsaspartners.ca/>

**3. Financial Update:** - Updated financial sheet handed out

-forecast of **\$8,037** to carry over to next year after paying for: pizza lunch expenses, scientist in the classroom (\$4,500) for the entire school, school agendas for next year (\$2,140), extra \$10,000 towards the playground fund and teacher wish list (up to \$4,200). As well as covering some expenses for events such as: winter carnival, playdays, graduation, t-shirts, staff lunch etc.

**4. Long Term Outdoor Project:**

-scheduled to start construction this fall  
-waiting for a new liaison from the TDSB to start phase 2

**5. Dallington Pollinators** – Rain Water Structure Update

-bids reissued  
-timeline: summer 2018  
-grant approved for \$50,000  
-tree for me event coming up

**6. Principal's updates and Comments:**

**a. Staffing**

- i.** New Head Caretaker: Sam Amato begins Monday, 23 April 2018
- ii.** 2018-19 Adding 1.5 staff

**b. Sight & Sound Program** – Will consider for September 2018

**c. Moorelands Camp** – Grade 3 to 8

- i.** \$25/week subsidized camp, based on family income and family size
- ii.** \$1150/week non-subsidized
- iii.** Lake Kawagam, near Dorset – 2.5 hours north of Toronto

**d. Grade 5 Graduation** – 26 June 2018 at 10 am

**e. STEM at Dallington with Global Competencies**

- i.** Focus on communication, collaboration and leadership, critical thinking and problem solving, creativity, inquiry, and entrepreneurship, global citizenship, and character
- ii.** Bought Dash robots this year as an intro to coding using Scratch Jr
- iii.** mBots will be purchased as the next phase of coding
- iv.** Arduino – our final phase of coding using Scratch
- v.** Inquiry focus with a local or global context for genuine purpose

**NEXT MEETING: THURSDAY, MAY 31<sup>ST</sup> AT 6:30PM**