DALLINGTON PAC Meeting #1 - October 5th 2017

In attendance: 28 people

-Jackie Chau (Chair) -Susan Pitre (Principal) -Adam Sommer (VP)

-Vanessa Sandy (Treasurer) - Elvis Prifti (Treasurer) - Yalena Zuluaga (Secretary)

-Chanda Chandalala -Mahnaz Karimaghaei -Mariia Shapunova -Jill Zang -Maria Velcminsky -Scarlett Wong -Samira Sobhan -Ken Qui -Kaiwei Jiang -Martha Palaroan -Liana Cardin -Marco Isobe -Maria Panani (teacher) -Debi Holroyd (teacher) -David Hawker-Budlovsky -Brigtle Lee -Camila Kamarad -Liana Cardin -Lorraine Lam -Ed Furman

-Andrii Verpakhovskyi -Ghallam Reza Barbari

- Katarina - Guest Speaker (Public Health Nurse)

Free Workshops for kids - 4-9 years old / 9-12 years old.

bullying, safety. alcohol, drug use, anxiety, social anxiety for kids.

-Officer Neil - Guest Speaker (Toronto Police Services)

Student drop-off:

Ride program – Parents drop off kids without getting out of the car, where a parent volunteer would supervise the kid to get inside school.

No stop signs at front Entrance – Remedy: "No parking" signs to be placed.

Parents volunteer needed - to help out with the Ride program, to help open the car doors.

Vision: Patrol at the front and back of the school.

Great future opportunities for the kids to have "Safety Patrol" in their resume

-Yumi - Guest Speaker (Public Health Nurse)

Nutrition – picking eating,

tobacco prevention -

exercise -

Green communities - safety within school system

Fundraising Events & Volunteering

- Pizza Lunches approx. 85% participation this year
- Bake Sales at Concerts
- Movie Nights
- Book Fair
- Spring Move-a-thon
- Teacher appreciation lunch
- Graduation (grade 5)

Financial Update:

- -PAC paid for agendas this year! (approx. \$2,200)
- -Teacher Wish list: \$5000 put aside (carried from last year) \$150 per classroom/department to use however they see fit but must directly benefit current students
- -Sponsored Pancake Day for the whole school + Freezes

Vanessa & Elvis - Treasure

Dallington PAC Budget & Financial break down.

Dallington Pollinators - Mahnaz

Community Garden -

Problems:

- Vandalism: Damaged plants, missing produce, pollinators used as trophies.
- Working on partnership with Food Space
- School Engagement
- Community Engagement
- Respecting Rules & Boundaries

Long Term Project - David

Update on outdoor play area on school grounds

- Viability review approved
- Great updates on milestones achieved by the school
- Stages, quiet areas, play area, buddy places
- Heading in to meetings with landscape architects

Principal's Updates

Vision to learning: strong focus in inclusion IE: Grade 1 & 2, students not being withdrawn

Main 3 focuses: Equity, Well-Being, and Student Achievement

EQAO results:

Grade 3 reading: 88% - 1% lower than last year

Writing: 82% - 4% lower than last year Math: 78% - 8% increase over last year

Grade 6 reading: 86% - 5% drop Writing: 86% - same as last year

Math: 58% - 5% drop

- Making the Library into Maker Space that links back to the classrooms.

- Adding coding, robot.

• Raffle Rickets handed out for free Cineplex movie tickets

Next meeting: Thursday, Dec 7th at 6:30 pm in the Library