

**Dundas Parent Council Meeting
June 26, 2018 @ 6:30pm**

Update	Topic	Details / Questions / Next Steps
Welcome <i>Audrey Gavin</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Thank you to all parents for coming to last meeting of the year. 	
Fun Fair Update - Fundraising Totals <i>Juliana Duray-Kikuchi</i>	FunFair - \$18,891.91 gross revenue \$12,597.12 net profit <ul style="list-style-type: none"> PLEASE NOTE: These numbers are contingent on collecting all the funds from sponsors (some are still outstanding) Started year with approximately \$10K in cash; ended year with approximately \$14K in cash 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Need to complete the end of year report - need to complete raffle reporting to City of Toronto to stay in good standing with raffle license.
Garden Committee Update <i>Christine Schloen</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ready to maintain the garden for the summer; have arranged with a couple of parents to rotate watering duty and other maintenance - Raised awareness of the gardening program at the Fun Fair with information table - able to hand out seeds provided by David Suzuki Foundation (Butterflyway initiative) - Bulb sale was able to raise \$523 for the school (school receives 50% of sales amount) 	
Financial Update <i>Juliana Duray-Kikuchi</i>	<p>Have approximately \$1200 unspent from last year's FunFair raffle funds; under the raffle license needs to be spent by end of year.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - This was the result of two cancellations from Scientists in the School. (Note: Ms. Derrick writing an official complaint as Scientists are an approved vendor. Looking for credit for next year, but also considering other vendors such as Mad Science; Let's Talk Science; UofT Engineering; etc.) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Voted and agreed on how to spend funds: - 3 x iPads – approx. \$300 each. Currently have 73 iPads; stored in library and any teacher can sign them out. - also have 10 laptops - Balance of funds to be spent on Phys Ed equipment.

<p>Principal's Update <i>Georgia Chatzis</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Hiring updates (departures; new hires; replacement staff) will be sent out with next Principal's update - still making final hires for new French immersion grade - 413 children registered for 2018/2019 year; up approximately 30 children from 2017/2018 year - French immersion program continues to grow - 44 new spots allocated for next year. - Playground signage to come (eg. ages and hours of use) - Kindergarten area being resurfaced for better drainage - Broader areas of the schoolgrounds are also being worked on (basketball courts; baseball diamonds; track; long jump) Climbers are being well used. Children encouraged to participate in other activities as well; equipment and supplies have been provided (chalk, balls, skipping ropes, hula hoops, etc.) - Parents will receive report cards tomorrow - teachers will indicate what room a student will be in but not the teacher in that room. 	<p>Note: The Learning Opportunity Index (LOI) for Dundas currently sits at 105; anything above 150 will mean that Dundas no longer qualifies as a Model School.</p> <p>- LOI is calculated by the TDSB on stats like; Median Income of all households at school, percentage of low income families, percentage of families receiving social assistance, percentage of adults with low education (without highschool diploma), percentage of adults with university degrees, and percentage of lone-parent families.</p>
<p>Start-Stop-Continue Activity <i>Audrey Gavin (All)</i></p>	<p>- Audrey led the group through a review of all the activities that Parent Council was able to accomplish this past year - under these categories:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Engagement initiatives o Communication initiatives o Fundraising initiatives o Bylaws update o Garden Committee o Teacher Appreciation 	<p>- Asked parents present at the meeting to provide recommendations of which activities to start stop continue in order to support next year's Parent Council determine key priorities (see details below)</p>

START | STOP | CONTINUE:

START	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Smaller fund raising events throughout the year • Earlier start to fundraising • Silent auction sooner • Find a new passive fundraiser • Call for cash donations (direct) • STEM Lab opening • Kids' Classroom Artwork Silent Auction and/or Kids' Art Show / Sale • Teacher engagement • Canoe garden in courtyard • Engaging new group of parents • Some parents are intimidated by the name "Parent Council"; maybe rebrand Dundas Parents • Communication between sub-committees and Parent Council • Debrief FunFair lessons learned • Switch FunFair to a weeknight • Kids should be allowed to set up games at FunFair to reduce costs • Set budget expectations before planning begins (for overall PC, but especially for FunFair) • Acoustical panels in gym to reduce echo and improve sounds for concerts • Workshop in Mindfulness and/or Yoga for students and parents • Parent Council suggestion box (similar to Georgia "Bee in Bonnet") • DD student corner • Start U School • Monthly culture initiatives (with themed food, dance, music, etc.)
STOP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cake Walk • X-Movement
CONTINUE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fund orph instruments • Agendas & meeting timekeeping • Speaker series • Welcoming new kindies/other students/parents • Updating kindie handbook • Invite incoming kids to FunFair • Passive fundraisers (QSP, FlipGive, Mabel's; Vessey's, etc.) • Bake sales • Costume swap • External teaching (art, science, tech, etc.) • Teacher appreciation • Garden educator • Dance parties • School beautification initiatives