Dunlace Public School – Parent Council Meeting

September 19, 2019 6:32 PM

Council Elections

Committee Chair	Committee Member	Description
Safety Patroller	Tracy Winter	Organizes parents in the morning for kiss & ride. Key contact if parents are sick to coordinate parents.
By Laws	Peter Govas	Ensures that meetings are conducted in accordance with statutes, regulations and bylaws and that the bylaws are kept up to date with council practices and with requirements of statue, regulations and Board Policies.
Canadian Parent for French Rep	Anna Tirandafyllidon	Act as the liaison between the CPF an the council attending CPF meetings and reporting to the council on activities as appropriate.
Grade 5 Chairs	Shelly and Michael Pan	Coordinates grade 5 end of year graduation. Organize fundraisers to bring down the cost of the event down. Previous year examples include: Halloween Haunted House, Halloween Dance bake sale, Valentino grams
IT Chair	Martin Minkov	Work with the executive team to assist in communication and coordination of information for our events.
Extra Curricular	Carolina Erskine	Organizes lunch time and after school programs for children
Pizza Lunch	Parsi/ Naadia	Coordinates setting up the schedule of pizza available and 1 hour on Friday's from 11-12 to help with distribution.
Fundraising Chair		Pro-actively contacts local business to become school sponsors during the school year or to donate services/ items to the school events (including the Fun Fair). Act as a liaison between sponsors, Fun Fair and special events committee.
Fun Fair Chair	Veruska Mano	Responsible for organizing and planning the Fun Fair; leading a team of volunteers that will assist in all aspects of preparation.

Special Events Chair	Jennifer / Anna Tirandafyllidon	Coordinates the organization of special events such as the Halloween Party, Movie Night, Dance-A-Thon and Games Night
Executive Team		
Secretary	Karyn Touzi/ Talvi Hess	Attends all Dunlace Parent Council meetings. Records, collects feedback and produces meeting minutes.
Treasurer	Roger and Betsy Affonso	Responsible for taking care of the financials of the parent council and fun fair events. Working with the executive team to create the budget for the year
Past Chair	Farrah Merchant	Supports the executive team with
Chair	Loveleen Thind	Attends all Dunlace Parent council meetings. Collaborates with the school administration and parent community to share feedback and input. Also assist in supporting Dunlace Parent Council events. Sets council meetings, arranges childcare, lead main donation campaign, attracts volunteers to support all council activities. Consults with school board as required

Treasurer Update:

Walkthrough of budget from 2018-2019 school year.

Ways to Spend Money:

Recommendations on ways to spend money from Fundraising Campaign. Requesting \$50/ child

- Technology is becoming out of date:
 - Smart Boards need replacement
 - o iPads
 - o Chrome Books
- Fund Lego Robotics Lab
- Combine Movie Night with speaker
 - Internet Safety Speaker Paul Davis (Divide cost of 3 parents)
 - o Toronto Public Health PrWorkshop of Anxiety Toronto Public Health
 - Public Health has a list they will do for parents and kids

Parent Concerns:

- Soap Dispensers being empty
- Doors Not Closing in Bathrooms
- No food provided in Elementary school: Elementary Schools are not equipped with facilities and do not have the staff allocated
- What is the process in determining what technology can be purchased within the school??
 - Has to be approved by the board
 - Apps and Technology is locked on the machines purchases
 - Include Shaun Wu in discussion of technology
- No to class jojo -privacy concern. School is using FreshGrade which is currently not working
- Is there a way to text message parents with announcements for specific events?
 - We have an email distribution to notify
 - Send messages via twitter
- Can we utilize RemindMe
- Determine if school bus is late?
 - Only sent through twitter the first couple of weeks
 - Sign up through TDSB Bus Company
 - Go to TDSB website --> Transportation --> Sign Up For Email
 - There is a mobile app as well

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School Update -

Welcome Back to the parent community!!

281 students in the school

1/2 French immersion - a couple of students were redistributed between Mme Mungala's class and Mme McKinnis's class

Curriculum Night:

Changing Curriculum night from October 3rd to October 2nd @ 6:30 pm

Changes across the board:

- 1. French Programs:
 - a. Parents in JK to enter into French Immersion:
 - i. Extended French was moved to Dunlow : Year of 2020 will be the last year of the extended french students
 - ii. Opening middle immersion programs in Grade 4 (Dunlow)
 - 1. 100% French
 - 2. Dunlow --> Milne Valley 0
 - iii. Children born 2017 and 2018: last year of SK entry in TDSB. Kids born in 2017 and 2018 will enter French Immersion Program the same year. After 2022 french immersion will start in JK
 - Question on busing for French Immersion Programs is still TBD
 - There are not looking at new schools to open french immersion.

Online Forms:

Parents are encouraged to acknowledge details of forms online On September 20, PDF's will be sent to parents who have not acknowledged You will receive one email per child

Terry Fox Run:

Dunlace's 20th year as part of Terry Fox Emphasis on Terry fox is being so young and children. Social justice and change Students are encouraged to bring Toonies for Terry to school

Grade 5 Year end Trip

- Coordinating with other schools
- Many grade 6's came back from middle school and one of the biggest things they said was that they have a hard time to meet new friends from other school
- One of the proposal's that was put forth was to do a coordinated effort to do some team building being grads this year.
- Toronto Tuesday's: 4 Tuesdays in June that are free and would meet up at the other schools to do team building

High Park

Art Gallery

Beaches - Play volleyball

Brock University stem day

- Requesting SuperIndendant to pay for buses
- Niagara Trip was \$400 / student in 2019 feedback was:

Parents cant sleep over

Too expensive

• If parents have other locations for end of year trip, please email Julie