



ATTENDANCE:

Shauna Davidson	Carla Granger	Sandra Witty	Silvia Tarenta
Simona Emiliani	Tamara Lee	Lesley Scullion	Daniela Hawkins
Laurie Lyle	Cara Krueger	Tammy Cruji	Tee Schneider
Cynthia Spry	Simon GebSKI	Johanna Weaver	Ursula Devine
			Ibi Olabode

1. Welcome

- Heather Sinclair Parent Council Co-Chair welcomed everyone and initiated approval of the minutes.

2. Approval of Minutes

MOTION: To accept the November minutes

Moved by: Lesley Scullion Seconded by: Johanna Weaver Motion Carried.

3. Principal's Report:

- **Introductions:** Introduction to new Principal Simona Emiliani.
- **S. Emiliani facilitated a parent activity on school foci:**
 - Exercise: Presented a picture that represents children at Humbercrest and asked to answer: What do you want your child to know, be and do by the time they graduate Humbercrest?
- **School improvement plan/goals:** for all TDSB schools span three dimensions of equity, achievement, well-being.
 - This year's goals for Humbercrest were shared with parents for feedback:
 - *Achievement:* To enhance student achievement in written expression across subject areas. Students will be able to articulate their thinking clearly and concisely in written format, with particular focus on Mathematics.
 - *Equity:* Staff will critically reflect their lived experiences and their power and privilege in order to develop practices that are inclusive and reflective of all our students' identities, thereby increasing student engagement, achievement and wellbeing.
 - *Wellbeing:* To build student and staff wellness and resiliency by creating a safe environment that focuses on building relationships and making connections with one another and developing strategies for increased risk taking.
 - **Friendship Bench:** Has arrived, just deciding where to put it. Suggestion – ask the kids.
 - **Storage Unit:** Arriving in two weeks, will be put where the salts are near door 7.
 - **Decals for Stairs:** four sets of stairs, inspirational languages, times tables, etc, each is \$27.00 with installation. Total less than \$2000.
 - **Main stairwell:** Being repainted shortly.

4. SoFun Update

- Bingo night: 01-Feb, cash online reminder goes out tonight. Two sessions, 4:45 and 7:00 p.m.

5. Ward 7 Update

- Roundtable and discussion around issues schools are facing.
- French review: all parents and schoolboard had opportunity to give feedback. In the process of pulling it together.
- Budget: likely will be budget cuts coming in future, more details in March. Balanced budget by June.
- Consultation on appropriate dress: can complete survey online, parents and older students. Shauna will include a link in the newsletter.
- Next Ward 7 meeting: 19-Feb-2019



6. Caring & Safe Schools Update

- Activity for future meeting: How do you know if your child is understood in school?

7. Drop Zone

- Additional volunteers required.

8. French/English Committee Update

- Discuss what/if any items to be tabled at Ward 7 meeting in future.

9. Allergy Committee

- Ideally a week's advance notice if/when food items needs to be vetted.
- Refresher: Sarah Drynan will help run the refresher
- Allergy campaign in September: did a refresher for staff on how to recognize symptoms, use an epi-pen, etc.

10. Other Business

- **School Mission Statement:**
 - What is Humbercrest slogan or jingle? "It all starts with attitude"
 - What is mission statement?
 - What is our vision statement?
 - Question: Can we work out a short vision, mission and slogan so that everyone is on the same page?
 - Answer: Moved away from vision and mission statement and replaced with the three school foci. Will discuss the notion of a supporting phrase in future meeting (e.g. 'it all starts with attitude').

MOTION: To adjourn the meeting.

Moved by: Carla Granger Seconded by: Johanna Weaver Motion Carried.