

Council Meeting Minutes

April 3rd, 2019

Voting Parents Present: Vicky Heppell, Karin Miskovsky, Shelley Toste, Kris Gordon, Marisa DiBattista, Sandy Dietrich, Karon (Ronnie) Leesui, Alex Coventry, Julia Stewart, Kristen Chen, Alison Lesiak, Pamela Facey, Mahitha Gokulachandra, Olivia McNair, Sarah Sharratt, Wayne Sung

Approval of April Meeting Minutes: Julia Stewart, Alex Coventry

Staff Present: Romina Barone-Pace

1. **Special Guest** – Community Police Liaison Committee (CPLC) Civilian Co-chair Sylvia Kwan

- Sylvia Kwan brought applications for the CPLC as they are seeking volunteers from our community
- Volunteers would be involved in social media to see and report what is happening in the community
- On April 24th @ Scarlett Heights 7-9pm there will be a Senior fraud information session presentation on “crime prevention tips”
- Join the Email list Sylvia.kwan@me.com

2. **Special Guest** - Trustee Dan Maclean and TDSB staff discussed HVV's water safety concerns

- Concerns regarding the water in the school and the levels of lead
- Letters went home this week regarding the update.
- The fountains that weren't tested have been blocked to be proactive and the ones that were tested have been unblocked & retested and are excellent.
- The window to test is between May and October and due to the concerns they came early to test.
- 2-3 fountains and taps that were in the classroom as well
- In 2017/2018 there 15 faucets sampled that were well below the levels of 10 which is really good but due to the concerns in the neighbourhood, they've retested all
- Average readings now are 2.6 which is excellent
- The city is putting in a new main which will do wonders for all in the area
- The fountain that was removed in the fall developed a higher level of lead due to it not being used often enough
- Anything over 10 micrograms needs to be taken out of service immediately
- Soldering of the plumbing is the source of the lead and the fittings are brass or copper pipes
- All results will be published April 5
- Every school has their reading results in a binder in caretakers office
- Mrs. Barone-Pace got an email in August saying the fountain was out of order and it was removed but she was never informed about the lead. She was told they didn't want to cause worry. The results weren't given to her until recently.
- In future, lesson learned and parents and community will be informed asap on the events of testing and results

3. Principal's Report - Mrs. Barone-Pace

- Math contests for grades 3 - 6 is on April 17th. The grade 7 & 8 test will be in May but there is no date as yet.
- Earth week is the week of April 15th
- There are many Scientists in school sessions coming up.
- April 12th Duffle Bag theater coming for grades k-3 of Sleeping Beauty
- 2 prologues have been rebooked
- The staff allocation is being worked by Romina and is based on a new staffing model. She will share more on this in the council meeting in May.
- ESL hasn't been given yet.
- Primary grades will likely have a lot of split classes.
- Reorg is probable for the 3rd week of September
- Projected enrolment is 394; we are currently at 416
- Primary cap is unchanged at 20 and Kinder at 29
- Jr 4-8 grades never really had a cap but average is 28
- This year's grade 8 classes are at 30

4. Treasurer's Report – Karin Miskovsky

- Grade 8 Grad – last update is they made money from sweatshirts sold.
- Sitting at \$4500 raised to date.
- Council has finished paying out all of the amount voted and agreed on except for an Anti-bullying seminar, which is still being looked into.
- Cash in the bank is high which is positive and puts us in a good position financially.

5. Parent Council Update

- **Scholastic Book Fair**
 - Thanks for all of the hard work, it went really well making \$3500 (\$200 more than last year). The whole amount is a bonus because usually it's done every other year and this year was back to back. Kids really enjoyed it. Set up was a snow day so the morning was hectic but all worked out in the end.
 - Once we make over \$3000 we receive 60% of the proceeds. 50% in credits and extra 10% is in product, which is used to fill orders for the teachers.
- **PRO Grant - Paul Davis Social Networking Seminar**
 - April 18th
 - Please rsvp so we can make arrangements for babysitters and refreshments
 - 30 people have registered so far
 - During the day, the Grades 4/5/6 will get a 45 min. presentation and the Grade 7/8s will get a separate hour presentation
 - Parent session is at 7pm in the senior gym
 - Most issues that arise in the school with students are from social media
- **Adult Social**
 - Alex Coventry is the main point of contact
 - The tickets are for Friday May 24th (weekend after the long weekend)
 - Will also make available for purchase on school cash online
 - Once it is up we will send out emails to create awareness

- Open to community, friends, family etc.
- **Fun Fair**
 - Will recognize sponsors at both events (Fun Fair and Adult Social)
 - Will send more info for May meeting and if you'd like to help please send an email
 - Planning has started
 - Working on sponsorship
 - Seeking new Fundraising ideas for next year

5. Adjourn: 8:10 pm

Next Meeting: May 2019