

# **School Council Meeting Minutes**

Date: November 20, 2023

Time: 5:30-6:30 p.m.

Location: Hybrid Meeting (Library)

In attendance: B. Shujaat, S. Syed, I. Fatima, A. Lane, A. Ramnairaine, S. Mustaq, Y. Ingar, Fayeza, A. Effendi, A. Magoffin

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Meeting called to order	5:30 pm
<ul> <li>Welcome</li> <li>Attendance of participants</li> <li>All council members introduced themselves and their positions for the coming year.</li> <li>Approval of October minutes by Co-Chair/Executive</li> </ul>	5:30-5:35 pm
Administrators' Report  1. Co-curricular:  - Healthy Schools Team (Ms. Magoffin) - Introduction to Program. Survey will be sent to parents/caregivers and teachers (for class survey) for input on focus area.  Healthy School Leadership - OPHEA - 4 Step Process  Parent/caregiver input needed via survey:  • Mental Health • Physical Activity • Healthy Eating • Injury Prevention • Growth and Development • Substance Use  - Volleyball team Grade 5/6 boys - Tournament Dec. 11th - Basketball team Grade 5/6 girls	5:35-5:55 pm
2. Facility - Additional Swipe Access Points Requested We already have one swipe access for Door 4. 3 more were requested for install at Door 5, Door 2 and KG area. Cost \$400 per access point. Staff have access cards for entry.	
3. Assemblies - Hindu Heritage & Empathy Character Trait, Remembrance Day Assembly School presented the assembly for Remembrance Day - classes throughout the school contributed to the assembly. Ms. Di Rito and Ms. Tharmarajah's Grade 5/6 classes are working with the whole school for heritage/character trait assembly.	

#### 4. Bullying Awareness & Prevention Week

- Ongoing dialogue with students and educators and at home with families
- Daily announcements and activities shared for classrooms to use with students

### 5. Report Cards and Parent-Teacher Interviews

Report cards sent home.

Parent-teacher interview have been completed.

Parent-teacher conversation/relationships positively impacts student growth and achievement.

# 6. Staff Professional Development: Phonological Awareness/Foundations of Literacy; Building Thinking Classrooms (4-6 Mathematics)

Teachers training on going.

Language curriculum changed.

Recent PD has focus on: K-6 Science of Reading (reading and writing)

Grades 4-6 - Mathematics

## 7. November 28th - Snuggle Up and Read Event

Literacy night

Speech and Language Pathologist - sharing strategies for reading with your child(ren) & Ms. Parsons will model a read aloud

Toronto Public Library - Library card

Activities linked to literacy

Children can wear their PJs

Some take home snacks from school will be given to the participants.

Flyer shared via email, whatsapp group and sent home in hard copy too.

#### 8. Concert

Date - Thursday, February 22

Ideal time needs to be decided.

#### 9. Free Math Tutoring Online - Grades 4-12 TVO Learn Mathify

Resources shared via email and whatsapp group.

It is a free online tutoring from Grade 4-12.

Need to register at <a href="http://mathify.tvolearn.com/">http://mathify.tvolearn.com/</a>

#### 10. Volunteering Reading Program:

Looking for the parents to do volunteering for reading with students in Grade 1-2 Half day training.

It supports students for reading

Flyer shared via email, hard copy posted and at whatsapp malvern parent group.

#### 11. Parent Concern Protocol

TDSB protocol is for classroom concerns, parents contact the teacher first. If the concern involves a situation beyond the classroom, contact the Principal/ VP.

#### **Forward Planning**

5:55-6:25 pm

#### 1. Parking Lot - night time

School Parking lot gate closes at 11 o'clock.

Meeting Adjourned	6:30 pm
Other Business Parent asked about the homework - Homework policy was referred to. Shared some online free resources, also encouraged to look in your child's Google Classroom for tasks/review material and speak to your child's teacher.	6:25-6:30 pm
Treasurer's Report Balance \$45.24	
3. Fundraising Plan - Start Up - Steps/Proposed Date/Purpose BAKE Sale: date is 20th December 2023 After school in the gym. Offer open for parents and staff to donate items. Items must be pre-packaged and nut free. Principal needs update for the items, timing and flyer.	
2. School Statement of Needs Review Input of school statement handed to the Co Chair for review in case it needs any changes.	
In winter and during holidays it remains open for snow removal and the garbage maintenance.	