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RICHVIEW COLLEGIATE PARENT COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES – September 18 2018

These minutes are considered 'Draft' until they are approved at the next Parent Council meeting.

Welcome/Introductions/Approval of Agenda and Minutes - Michelle Minot

September 18th agenda was approved.

Apologies from Susan Langille, Heather Smith and Lynn Campbell

Business arising from the Minutes - Attendees at Council

None.

Student Council Report - Daniel Coutts

- Doing a school survey for the first time at Richview get a sense of the student voice on events such as dances, sports
- There will be continued fundraising throughout the year.
- Next meeting is on Thursday September 27th.
- Thanked PC for their continued support.

Athletic Council Report - Stath Koumoutseas

- Fall teams have started, including Volleyball, Jr and Snr Football, basketball, girls frisbee.
- Lots of clubs, programs and activities offered (refer to list provided)
- Friday Night Lights (FNL) is on October 12th double header, Jr and Snr teams vs Etobicoke Collegiate at Centennial Park Stadium.
- Richview clothing line.
- Pep Assembly, to support the fall teams/clubs Oct 11th is the first one.
- March 22nd Inside Ride to support cancer research, approximately \$163 000 raised so far by Richview students
- Athletic Banquet will be held at the end of May recognising MVPs and athletes of the year.
- Musoka Woods, will take place January 21st - 25th for grade 9 students, permission forms will be going out soon. Senior students go through an interview process to attend as student counsellors. Grade 9s have a great opportunity to get to know the senior students.
- **Questions:** *How do shy students join groups?* Teachers are there to support all the students who should try to seek them out. *What is being done about the field?* Work on fundraising continues, many of the schools in the TDSB have turf field. RCI is fund-raising privately about \$3 000 000 needed for the field.



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Staff Report –Olga Calabria-Yaworski

- Lilly Pereira been at Richview for 20 years, Curriculum Lead for English Lit/Library/update for Library renovations, new carpet, stacks are gone, different spaces for virtual library, working lab, chrome labs and independent work area - furniture has been ordered/Currently working up on reading and writing diagnostics to see where students are with the cross curriculum course load/OSSLT - test needed to graduate lots of support offered, Lunch and Learn in the winter, Rush week to concentrated learning the week before test, in class work.
- Andrea - World Studies head; PC fundraised to give department 13 chrome book, google classroom allows students have the option to stay connected even if they don't have personal devices.
- Usha Kelly former head of science is back to support the science staff to enhance the pathways; science learning is moving from the traditional format on how it is taught from elementary school to medical colleges. Recommended a book called 'Make it Stick' to assist students and parents understand the new initiative.

Chair's Report – Michelle Minot

- October 2nd, Elections for executive positions on parent council. Should anyone wish to join the council should come to the meeting if they wish to be elected to the executive.
- Please connect on Facebook at richviewparentcouncil/email your concerns to richview-parentcouncil@yahoo.com.

Principal's Report – Lucie Kletke

- Came to Richview 20 years ago as a parent, became a member of the community, as a teacher, the vice principal and now as principal.
- Thanked the PC for all their efforts.
- Thanked the incredible teachers of Richview.
- Enrolment has reached over 1000 students for the first time. Current number is 1041 students
- Safety:staff met September 5th to review red safety binder. There is one in each class room. Will have 3 fire drills and 1 lockdown this term. Teachers will review the lockdown and fire drill policy with the students
- Held 3 welcome assemblies for the grade 9s, 10s and 11 & 12s. Discussed tips on being successful students, tips on how to get organized and keeping attendance high. Reviewed the code of conduct.
- Results of the EQAO - Applied math (21 students) 57%; Advanced math (229 students) 85%; OSSALT 90-94%
- Communication: Weekly Principal update, RCI Athletics uses Twitter, school will use phone and email as well.
- Facilities: work was completed over the summer; insulation of a new boiler and air handling system; most of the window installation has been done; continue with parking lot repairs; will

be meeting with the board and alumni regarding the Bruce Boyd field project/fundraising efforts.

- Traditions like Saints Week will continue.
- Dates to note: September 25 curriculum night; October 5th Commencement
- Introduction of VPs - Meredith Tuck, 5th year at Richview; in charge of timetabling, encouraged families to make course selections together. October 31st is the deadline to meet guidelines to cap class sizes; will request extra staff based on programming needs. Core classes currently have on average 30 - 32 students; Maximum for core classes is 33
- Christine Lee, 2nd year at Richview in charge of achievement and reporting; progress reports will go out electronically in October; Provincial report cards go out in November, January, April and June
- Fans: the hot temperatures are affecting the students learning process. Fans were purchased to help combat this issue, PC will like to review how this is working, a meeting has been requested with the principal to look see if there are possibly of purchasing additional fans or portable air conditioner units: cost to put air conditioners in school too costly than to rebuild.

Committee Reports

Tech - Lynn Campbell presented by Michell Minot

- Reinvigorating Richview 3 year fundraising campaign has raised ~ \$56 000 for technology in the school. All fundraising benefits the students.
- This years fundraising efforts will be via direct donations and all funds raised will be used to enhance areas in the school that all students use. Main focus will be for the Library.

Commencement - Olga

- *Call for volunteers from grade 9, 10 and 11 families to help with commencement October 4th and 5th.*

Fundraising- Lynn Shaw

- *Poinsettia-Lynn is willing to come and do the poinsettia fundraiser if PC would like. Poinsettias come from the Bradford Green House. She's been doing this for the last 7 years.*

Treasurer - Lex Kambandu-Mitchell for Heather Smith

- *Begin the school year with a bank balance of \$548.72 as of August 31. Outstanding amounts still to be paid to PC of \$238.71 and \$183.00. Incoming balance of \$128.96*
- *The PSAB report is due in September awaiting Principal's signature then will be filled with TDSB with bank stand cash flow reports*
- *Total funds/income for 2017/2018 was \$7,985.32 total outgoing \$8,834.27:*
 - *Reinvigorating Richview \$6,971.00*
 - *Poinsettia expenses \$636.42*
 - *Student Activity support (fun lunch, dance, inside ride) \$800.00*
 - *Yearbook \$250.00*
 - *Parent Council expenses (thank yous, gifts) \$583.01*
 - *Bank fees \$15.15*
- *Should anyone wish to join council as co treasurer, Heather will be happy to explain the role and responsibilities.*

New Business

- *Stephen Thiele Rotarian with Toronto West. Holding the Youth Impact Awards honour Denise with Meghan's Walk and Bruce Boyd former Richview teacher and football coach (ret.) Event will be held at the Old Mill on January 25th 2019, tickets are \$150 money raised goes back into community.*
- *Shawn Rizvi running for Ward Trustee former Richview student; been endorsed by the campaign for public education; attended York for Business Management; he's a consultant and currently runs a mentorship program. Hopes to have Richview parent support in the upcoming elections.*

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm