

February WFSA Meeting Agenda

February 23rd, 630-730PM 2026 - Virtual

1. Welcome and Attendance

Andrea Thompson (Chair), Barbara Graydon (Principal), Joel Allen (Staff), Polina, Jillian Southey, Sarah K, Arsela Hoxhaj, Krista, Katlyn Lopes, Melani O'Leary, Andrea, Francine Montaldi, Brittani, Eva S., JJ, Lisa Villani, Nkem Ononiwu, Jasdeep, Amale Zirem, Victor Luong, Zoon Khalid, Andrea Paszti, Delynn West, Sara Houshmand, Mary Channer, Joe Mihevc, Yvonne Daoleuxay

2. Land Acknowledgment

We acknowledge we are hosted on the lands of the Mississaugas of the Anishinaabe, the Haudenosaunee Confederacy and the Wendat. We also recognize the enduring presence of all First Nations, Métis and the Inuit peoples.

3. Principal Update (Principal Graydon)

a. School Improvement Plan

- We recently reviewed our School Improvement Plan, focusing specifically on our "Belong and Thrive" goals.
- To support our commitment to inclusive education, the Autism Regional Services team provided specialized professional development for our staff. This partnership resulted in the successful implementation of Tier 1 and Tier 2 strategies-such as visual schedules, transition priming, and "first-then" boards-across five of our classrooms.
- Additionally, our Grade 2 team is currently collaborating with our School Social Worker and Itinerant Child and Youth Counsellor. Together, they are teaching students vital self-regulation and co-regulation skills to ensure they are emotionally ready to learn and able to interact with peers positively.
- Finally, our Indigenous Education journey continues through our school-wide inquiry project, "Roots and Stories," as we deepen our collective understanding of identity and community.

4. Finances

a. Fund request - \$1700 for Film Camp in a Box for Grade 5s

- on going program that the grade 5's have enjoyed for many years. Especially important as they are missing out on the overnight trip this year.
- Request approved unanimously

5. Fundraising and Event Planning

a. Game Night - Teacher Concerns

- classroom damage after game night (items damaged and stolen from classrooms)
 - Need for more volunteers, community must hold each other accountable, please supervise your children and speak up if you see anything, events will not be able to continue if this issue continues, WFSA will provide clear sheets and tape to teachers to protect their classroom spaces and Barbara will provide time to prepare.

b. Grade 4 Parent Helpers for Graduation

- looking for Grade 4 parent volunteers to ‘pay it forward’ and help with graduation celebration on June 22nd (11am-1pm) with gym decorating and clean up. Please email sc.wedgewoodjuniorschool@tdsb.on.ca
- Andrea will create a signup link for volunteering, lending coolers and donating bottled water
- c. Fun Fest - Silent Auction Support and Volunteer Co-ordinator
- Fun Fest is on May 30th. Inviting any parents who are able to donate items to our silent auction
- Also looking for support with volunteer co-ordinating on the day of
- Asking people who are signing up for multiple slots to please stay in same area

6. Health and Safety

- a. Drop off Safety
 - ongoing concerns about drop off safety with accumulated snow at Swan Ave and Gaylord
 - Please be mindful, follow driving laws, do no stop in the middle of the street
 - Slow down and take your time - utilize side streets and walk over with your child to the school
 - Better to be late than to be unsafe
 - WFSA will be putting in a request to the city for a cross guard and CC’ing city councillor and MP to flag the need for traffic calming measures
 - Barbara will be consulting with Division 22 officers who won’t be ticketing but will potentially observe and remind parents at drop off.
 - We will put out a request for parent volunteers to help with drop-off safety, and can provide reflective vest

7. Additional Topics

- a. Shelter on Bloor - Public Consultation Wednesday, March 4th, 7-8:30 PM St. Andrew’s Presbyterian Church
 - city representatives attended meeting to share information regarding Bloor women’s shelter set to open 2028
 - Meeting attendees were asked to direct questions to 3838Bloor@toronto.ca or attend the public meeting happening on March 4th 7PM at St. Andrew’s Presbyterian Church
 - Shelter will house 60-65 women and provide holistic care, psychotherapy, job counselling, addiction services and permanent housing when it becomes available
 - The shelter will be serviced by Street Haven at the Crossroads
 - More information can be found here: <https://www.toronto.ca/community-people/housing-shelter/homeless-help/about-torontos-shelter-system/developing-shelter-sites/3838-bloor-st-w/>