

**WMJPS School Advisory Council Meeting
Oct 21, 2020
Meeting Minutes**

Chair: Julie Bisson (JB)

Vice-Chairs: Adriana Avramova(AA), Sheila Azevedo (SA)

Treasurer: Valerie Groves (VG)

Secretary: Damon Groves (DG)

Present: Susanne Fata (SF), Julie Bisson (JB), Valerie Groves (VG), Adriana Avramova (AA), Damon Groves, Maria Russell, Sheila Azevedo (SA), Mark Dos Reis, Kimberly Mihaychuk-Nonis, Paul Widyanto, Shelia Ballantyne, Negin Frate, Melissa Morgan, Jill Malic, Denise Billington, Paula Casamassima, Nicole M., Meslissa McEnroe, Franco DiLisi (FD), Pedro Malone, Vicky Surjan, Christina Sciortino, Danielle Tokar, Isabel Clark, Maiko Pascoal, Natasha

Agenda Item	Decision/ Action Taken	Actions/ Responsibilities
<i>Welcome and Introductions (JB)</i>	JB provides a very warm, welcome <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thank you to all WM staff! The past 8 months have been very challenging, and I'm hearing overwhelmingly that students are feeling comfortable going back to school. It looks like we have a great turn-out tonight, which is one positive of meeting on Zoom. 	
<i>Review and approval of January 2020 minutes</i>	VG made motion to accept the minutes from, SA seconded CARRIED	

<p><i>Principal's Report (SF)</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• I want to thank all staff, parents and students for adapting so well since March. Staff has been involved in many decisions since March, through the summer months, and especially now for Fall term• We were thrilled to provide a remote graduation ceremony in the Spring, as well as a composite graduation photo! We sent out certificates to all Grade 5 and SK grads• Current enrolment in-school is 172. Virtual is 87. Although several schools needed to re-organize in October, Weston Memorial fortunately did not have a re-organization• All Ministry and TDSB Covid preparation and guidelines have been followed diligently. Currently there are <u>no Covid cases in the school</u>. This is due to the great commitment of staff and parents. Thank you! School has ample supplies of hand sanitizer and cleaning products.• We've established outdoor zones and cohorts to keep students safe. We have a committee regarding outdoor activities. We've ordered several items for student engagement (pending delivery)• <u>Lunchroom Procedures</u>: all lunches are in classroom under supervision model• <u>Facility Upgrades</u>: One upside from the closure is I've been able to facilitate many building upgrades:	
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• main hallway floor replaced (it was a 35 degree slope), main floor and upper hallway painting, 4 classrooms painted, new stage curtains, new curtains in the gym, classroom window replacements. <u>Pending upgrades</u>: boiler replacement, corning de-icing project on roof, boiler room leak project, stairwell windows replacement, other floors (upper hallway/office) to be replaced when time provides• Curriculum information to be provided by teachers through google classroom, Oct 27th -Individual Education Plans (IEPs) to be sent home Oct 27th• Music room has been established as a comfortable "wellness" room• Music & Movement: focusing on music movement (Mr. Kobus, Ms. Suglia); however, instruments (percussion type) are being used with sanitizing protocols <p>-String program will occur as we volunteered to be a home school so grade 5 students could work with instruments - protocols in place for instruments, cohorts will remain in place and instruments not shared</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• New 2020 SAC Executives have been acclaimed, congratulations to: Chairperson- Julie Bisson Co Vice-Chairperson- Sheila Azevedo	
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	<p>Co Vice-Chairperson- Adriana Avramova Treasurer- Valerie Groves</p> <p>Co-Secretary- Sheila Ballantyne</p> <p>Co-Secretary- Damon Groves</p> <p>Parent Rep- Tashauna Mighty-English</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • School performed a fire drill on Oct. 1st. Was very successful. This was followed by a lockdown, then hold-and-secure due to incident outside of school (notes were sent to parents that day). All safety protocols were followed and staff/students were all amazing • Toonies for Terry: we raised \$675 for Terry Fox Foundation! • Tech Device Update: 61 devices (iPads) were gathered from WM by TDSB so support remote learning in the Spring. Will be returned to WM, but TBD. In the meantime, school will receive 11 new Chromebooks and a tech cart. In September, we received 20 new iPad Minis that were ordered prior to shut down. Also awaiting 16 new iPads for full day kindergarten (FDK) 	
<p><i>Treasurer's Report (VG)</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Obviously, the previous year did not go as planned/budgeted. We started last school year with \$16,311 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Decide how to use pizza money carry-

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Of the many planned fundraisers, we only held 4: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Movie Night: \$877 - Halloween Dance: \$5,902 - Bake Sale: \$192 - MacMillan’s Orders: \$908 • Also carried out 5 of the 10 planned pizza days. We need to decide how to use these extra funds or how to pay them back • We had 17 different categories for how to spend money during year. Fulfilled or partially fulfilled 8 of them: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Welcome Back BBQ: \$191 - Skate Night: \$477 - Teacher Resources (\$50/Teacher): \$2,477 - Technology: \$7,311 - Drumfit: \$1,123 - Welcome to KG Bags: \$643 - Field Trip Buses: \$725 - Scientists in the Schools: \$205 • Even with partial year, we raised \$11,401 and spent \$13,166. 2020/2021 end of year balance was \$14,547 • Other purchases we planned to support, but did not: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Technology: \$4,000 - Grade 5 grad trip, ceremony and photos: \$2,250 - Bussing: \$2,300 - Presenters in Classrooms: \$2,400 - Arts Programs: \$2,000 - Indoor Lunch Resources: \$250 - Outdoor Resources: \$1,500 	<p>over from last year</p>
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Concert Refreshments and Appreciation Lunch: \$250 - Parent Engagement Night: \$1,000 <p>JB makes motion to accept year-end report and close 2019-2020 year. FD, DG second.</p> <p>MOTION CARRIED</p>	
<p><i>Chair Report (JB)</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It has been a challenging transition for all involved. Thank you to Ms. Fata and Weston Memorial staff for their commitment and efforts. Overwhelming feedback from parents tells me students feel very comfortable in school. Thank you to all parents and students for their work in keeping WM a safe place for all • Main goal of SAC is fundraising and providing equity for families. Obviously fundraising effort are on pause. We hope to send survey out to parents to get info about how best to serve families during these times • Shakespeare In Action- SIA is right here in Weston and has a lot of programming for school aged children. Please see website for info: https://www.shakespeareinaction.org <p>David DiGiovanni, Artistic Director, serves on our SAC council as a Community Representative</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Complete SSON by end of October

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parents as Partners Conference is this weekend, Oct 24 and 25th. Goal is to engage parents within TDSB schools. Visit website for more info: https://www.parentsaspartners.ca • School Statement of Needs (SSON): this is a document provided to TDSB by SAC every year in order to address our school’s individual needs. This can be used by Superintendent to help choose a principal, if a new one is needed. • NEXT SAC MEETING: Nov. 24th 6:30-8:00pm. Look for Zoom meeting link via email from Ms. Fata in days prior 	
<p><i>Round Table/New Business</i></p>	<p>JB- SAC has submitted several questions from parents to Ms. Fata mainly in regards to new safety procedures. Below are questions not directly covered in Principal’s Report:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What can you tell parents about HVAC/Ventilation, has this been addressed? SF: Yes. It takes a LONG time to address built-in HVAC in schools, especially older schools. We have the option of leaving windows open for ventilation- up to the teacher. We 	

	<p>also have air purifiers in each classroom to assist.</p> <p>VG motions to end meeting. DG seconds. Meeting ends at 8:33pm</p>	