

1. Welcome by Lisa
2. Nominations and Elections  
Introduction of treasurer, Jen and there is a new member who is willing to shadow  
Members to fill out the School Council Self-Nomination Forms and indicate interest in formal role

Council Members:

Amanda Milette - Co-Chair  
Tanya Triveedi-Southern - Co-Chair  
Racha Ghaddar Co-Treasurer  
Jennifer Nunes - Treasurer  
Lisa Lenzi - Secretary  
Lisa Bowley  
Lisa Roy  
Renuka Darling  
Susanne Reinke  
Aria Zadra  
Sobia Ansari  
Jamie Schnell  
Katherine Robertson-Parrott

3. Amanda created a Google Doc for us to share contact information
4. Dates Second Tuesday of every month except for December
5. Principal's report
  - EQAO data is in - we are above provincial averages in all areas. Next steps are looking at conditions in the classroom that allow students to thrive in all academic areas. PD this Friday will be focused on this. Someone from Research and Analytics from board will come to meet with, Principal and Vice Principal and select teachers to dig deeper into our results and help with planning further PD and support for students in the classroom
  - Survey of students attitude towards learning and habits - examples also shared from this.
  - Cross Country practices on Tuesday mornings and tryouts have been taking place over this past month. It is also supported in gym. Three buses booked so there are a lot of students involved
  - Soccer - Mr Alexander has been coaching boys and girls. We are still looking for volunteer drivers for the tournaments.
  - RCES is a polling station (Oct 21)
  - Student vote - Junior students 4-6's (Oct 16)
  - Two student teachers from U of O - 2nd years with Ms Carew and Ms Gasperetti. First year with Mr Crawford
  - Volunteers - several retired ladies coming into work with students
  - Co-op students - with Ms Skinner and Ms Gasperetti
  - OCDSB New Strategic Plan - Building Brighter Futures Together
  - November 7 - OECD Random survey of grades 4, 5 and 6 students socio-emotional skills to support development
  - November 7th Progress reports go home/ Kinder initial observations
  - November 14th and 15th Parent teacher interviews

### *Follow up to Principal's Report*

Question regarding any need to be concerned regarding privacy of the OECD survey. It will be similar to OurSchool Survey and a letter has been sent home to all parents with information and option to opt out. Otherwise students will participate.

Lisa suggested that parents can sign up for OCDSB Parent Council Newsletter and also indicated that OCDSB has sent out an email to parents involved as well

#### 6. Staff Report - Helen Nowell

Baking Club run by Kami Francis for 4-6 very well attended ( 70 kids). For sale in staffroom to help fund the club

#### 7. Introductions of council members and reminder to join parent group on Facebook (Amanda and Sobia runs it and can help set us up on it)

#### 8. Treasurer Report

Report has been submitted to financial services at the board. There is some error that has yet to be resolved so that it is balanced. Lisa has confirmed that it has been adjusted and indicated in an email. Overall we earned more revenue than forecasted due to the success of lunch program. Also, we did not spend as much as we had intended. We have about a 10 000 surplus. We need to keep the balance above 2000 dollars. All money earned should be spent during the current school year ideally.

Term one we have earned about 14 000. We need to change signing authority on the account. Co-Treasurers and one Chair. We have to use cheques only - no E-transfers. Going to try to get online access as well to see statements. Budget details to come via email so we can be ready to make decisions

Review of traditional items: student activities (arts and cultural activities, field trips, recreational programming, STEM, Technology improvements, school yard maintenance and improvements well-being initiatives, Grade 6 leaving ceremony, staff appreciation lunch, sister school (Queen Mary), fun fair (net loss), community building events, Parent council administrative costs, teacher allotment Every few years - we do a survey of parents to get their input - we do not have to do this.

Teachers will most likely be getting 100 dollars each - ongoing discussion how/when best to support this. Amanda will follow up with another school to see if there is another option. What are the rules ?

#### 9. *Staff Wish list*

Scientist in schools

Field trips

Arts (MASC) interactive activities

Dongles for chromebooks

Headsets for chromebooks

Science bins for experiments

Hands on workshops - drumming

Outdoor equipment for sports and games

Update sidewalk paint (ex four square)

Flexible seating/learning spaces

Makerspace

Hip/hop dance lessons

\*\*\*Fundraising - we need to earmark what we are fundraising for. Next we need to prioritize wish list and get a better idea of costs.

Lisa to provide a list of costs for some of the big items

Petty cash may assist with teacher allocation

Parent Council wishes TBD

- Book bags for library for kids to take books home and prevent them from damage

- Most items bought go through OCDSB procurement system

- when does playstructure need to be replaced. We would need to start a few years ahead and earmark the money

10 Lunch program

Wednesday's program is difficult to organize and distribute. Causing a lot of issues. Thanks to Sarah S in the office for all her support. There were too many options - we will ensure this is resolved next time.

*Next meeting* - show flexible learning space video and take a tour of classrooms