

Davisville School Council Meeting
Wednesday June 22, 2016
7pm

Review and Approval of Minutes

- Modifications noted
- Motion to approve Approved by John Hiddema

Budget Report

- approx \$27K

Staff Report (Mr. Bell)

- to be involved in math programming for school

Graduation (Sarah Miller)

- staff invited to join, 3:45pm start
- 5:30-7:30 dance w/ Pizza Dinner, w/ 3 supervisors
- parents pick up at door 4
- council contribution \$400 (51 grads)

Administrative Report (Ms. Farrelly and Ms. Schneider)

- New Building: thanks to parents, staff and students, June 30 will be selection of architect, September 20 is tentative 1st community meeting to outline process and start discussing design
- Midtown Hub: city report today indicates there will be funds for new hub-thanks to parents
- June 21: sump pump down, no water/electrical, Hodgson was welcoming and assisted, facilitated police escort for safe crossing, staff and students dealt with situation very well
- Enrollment:
- English: JK/SK: 27-29 in all, Gr 1 (20, 18), Gr 2 (19, 20), Gr 3 (25), Gr $\frac{3}{4}$ (31: 6+25), Gr 5/6 (28,26)
- French: SK (26,27), Gr 1 (19, 19), Gr $\frac{1}{2}$ (20: 3+17), Gr 2 (24), Gr $\frac{2}{3}$ (22: 6 + 18), Gr. 3 (24), Gr 4 (31), Gr. 5 (23), Gr 6 (22)
- September 1 class posting, but WILL be class reorganization, WILL be split classes
- September 6: First day of school
- school awarded Eco Platinum status: 2nd year consecutive, 89.7/100
- Track and Field (from Ms. Francesca): 15 to South conference finals in 14 events, placed top 8/10 events, top 4 in 5 events. 4 students in 5 events at city wide conference: 3 finishes, 4 students will be moving on to TDESAA City finals next Tuesday.
- report cards go home on tuesday: Late/attendance letters: if 10 lates or absences, teachers asked to comment on report card, if 20+ lates/absents then letter sent home and included in student record (TDSB policy)
- O Canada: change in wording, official opening of TDSB Trustee meeting tuesday
- play structure signs (for between 5 and 11 yr old) at all times have been posted on play structure on Davisville side due to a child's injury, Fire Dept indicated inadequate signage
- Principal/Vice Principal for the day winner will complete friday (Play day)
- Hero of Play (run by Canadian Tire) for Gr. 1-6): liability form must be completed, same morning of Kindergarten Play Day, if no form kids will be assisting in JK/SK play day
- Leaving staff: Natasha Khan (LTO), Sabrina Nicholson (LTO), Yolanda B'Dacy (3 yr leave),

Nan Laws, Elizabeth Savelli, Fatima Anacleto (LTO), Jonathan Rands (LTO), Angela Singh (LTO), Cheryl Kam, Connie Rapallo

- Returning/New staff: Shalee Arora (new), Christos Karecostas (returning), Hilary Hand (new), Julie Rogers (returning), Lisa Potter (returning), Michel Ross (new), Jessica Galati (new), Laura Harte (returning)
- Play Day: Hero of Play through Canadian Tire (Sarah Miller)
 - this friday
 - waiver MUST be signed
 - running 10 events, snack, colouring station
 - 9-11:30am
 - Grade 1-6

Fun Fair Review

- Thanks to volunteers
- Net revenue down a bit from last year approx 9K, possibly due to extreme heat (people did not stay as long)
- Need fun fair chairs for 2016/17
- pls pass on feedback to Tamara Kolber

Fresh School Report

- Healthy hands and Rockin clean up party
- 3 Fresh Family series: last 2 were well attended w/ new faces, lots of new Canadians, last 2 were also open to parents and kids
- applied for 2nd round of programs
- would like to meet with staff ahead of time so teachers know who we are and what we r doing and present plan for the year
- fresh cooking program at Spectrum Alternative was well received. Try to bring to Davisville
- fresh food: Neal brothers, Hans dairy, small independent distributors
- fresh in 5 cooking club: w/ teachers and students, try to bring farmers into classroom
- (Spectrum becoming a STEAM-science, technology, engineering, art, math school)
- focus 2015/16 year on healthy eating and fitness
- focus 2016/17 on mindfulness and mental health through food and movement: Serene Students, 2 family friendly workshop, working w/ Maria Mangano (mindfulness specialist), through food program, partnering w/ naturopath to talk about mood food
- education moving toward incorporation of movement in the classroom

Midtown Hub Update

- city going forward w/ Midtown Hub, \$24million for hub, 5000 sq feet, pool, parking garage

2016/17 School Council

- Tanya retiring as Co-chair
- Tamara Kolber will stay on, needs a co chair
- need transition committee, pls send feedback to Tamara

Other business

- Lesley/Chris: 1) anxiety level of kids in school has been noted to be high, at lunch kids are worried about what they are eating/how. Looking at 3rd floor lunch room to implement a more

positive environment, at lunchtime some stress around kids w/o structured play, (comment from Ms. Farrelly that main floor sign out of equipment did not work in the past, equipment went missing), PALS (playground activity leaders in schools)-would PALS be available to assist w/ sign out process, pls fwd ideas to improve environment to Lesley/Chris. They will try to get more snack volunteers to extend their time to transition lunch time. Ex/ kilometer club not just in the fall. Snack volunteers assist during first recess.

- Lesley/Chris: approached by some parents who indicated a divided environment
- Wynsome: french vs. english divide, great that french and english teachers are pairing to bring the french and english sides together
- John Hiddema: Lisa Kelleher and Sarah Miller's last meeting, both have made a large contribution to the school commended them for the work they have done in their years at the school

Meeting adjourned: : Motion to adjourn by John Hiddema, seconded by Steph Rickard-Chadda

Next Meeting: September 2016