

October 30, 2019

(\*Indicates voting member)

School Council Executive:

Co-Chairs: Wanda Kean\* and Shannon Ruffell\*

Co-Secretaries: Nohad Abdul-Gani\* and Fatima Hakeem\* - absent

Treasurer: Adeel Nasim\*

School Council:

Behnaz Ashrafganjooei\*

Leah Bacon\*

Andy Dobaczewski\*

Noa Golomb\*

Justine Janssen\*

Sandra King\*

Viverjitha Kumar\*

Tammy Poole\*

Navneet Singh\*

Dennis Zhu\*

Non-Voting Attendees:

Shannon Blumas

Rebecca Hummel

Zii Muvuti

Administration Representatives: Ingrid Agar and Scott Ratter - absent

Community Representative: TBD

CUPE Representative: Chris Steele\* - absent

Staff Representatives: Lynne Murdoch\* and Tracie Schembri – absent (Wendy Inch present)

Student Representative: Dani Hart\*

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Meeting called to order at 6:30 pm by Shannon Ruffell.

1. Call to Order

- 1.1 Approval of October 2, 2019 meeting minutes
  - i Minutes not available and will be approved at the next meeting.
- 1.2 Declarations of Conflicts of Interest
  - i None.

2. Chair's Report

- 2.1 Informal “meet and greet”
  - i Intention to have an informal meet and greet to get to know one another on a more personal level. Particularly our backgrounds, interests and passions for School Council.
- 2.2 Bylaws
  - i Wanda is working on going through this document and Justine offered to provide assistance as she has a lot of experience in this area.
- 2.3 TVPIC synopsis
  - i Thames Valley Parent Involvement Committee meeting October 16<sup>th</sup>.
  - ii The new Director of Education, Mark Fisher, spoke about his goals to identify barriers and provide positive intervention. He is also passionate about increasing family involvement since he believes it creates positive outcomes in schools.
  - iii The app to replace seesaw, remind, etc. is still ongoing with some privacy issues being ironed out.
  - iv Corrine Rahman, our Trustee would like to come to one of our meetings.
  - v Next TVPIC meeting November 14, 2019 6:30-8:30 pm – if you are interested please reach out for more information.

3. Administrator's Report

- 3.1 EQAO Results
  - i Jack Chambers performed very well, getting the same or better results in 5/6 areas and outperforming both the

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board and provincial averages. The reading and writing results were consistent with previous years although math was down (not only at Jack Chambers but across the board and province as well).

- ii For more information you can visit [www.eqao.com](http://www.eqao.com) and search our school. There is also a link on the school website and TVDSB.

4. Staff Report

4.1 Communication

- i The staff feedback on “Charge Ahead” has been fantastic.

4.2 Music

- i Choir is in full swing with over 100 students in each group and 100 in band.
- ii The song selections will touch on different cultures to be inclusive.

5. Treasurer’s Report

5.1 Summary of Expenditures

- i More details will be provided at the next meeting once the new Treasurer has reviewed and prepared the documents.

6. Committee Report

6.1 Budget Committee/ Yard Innovation Project

- i The budget committee is one of the most important aspects of School Council – this is where it is determined where the funds we raise are allocated.
- ii The committee volunteers are Shannon, Wanda, Adeel, Leah, Justine and Zii. A meeting will be set up prior to next council meeting.
- iii Yard Innovation Project is moving forward with benches, tetherball and a walking maze for outdoors in addition to indoor games that will be tested by the students and then ordered.
- iv The Co-Chairs will attend the staff meeting on November 4<sup>th</sup> to get ideas for budgeting.

6.2 Fundraising/ Hot Lunch

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- i The fundraising committee develops and plans the upcoming events and seeks volunteers for the execution.
- ii The committee volunteers are Shannon, Wanda, Adeel, Leah, Justine, Nohad and Zii. A meeting will be set up prior to next council meeting.
- iii The highest grossing on-going fundraiser is the “Hot Lunch” program – the grade 8 students help on Tuesday’s but we need assistance on Friday’s from 1-2 parents from 11:15-11:45 to organize and distribute the lunch orders.

7. Other Business

7.1 School Council Communication

- i Our website is lacking – looking for a volunteer to take pictures and write content – it gets sent to Lori and she will publish. Navneet and Wanda volunteered to take this over.

7.2 Incident Behind the School

- i A man was inappropriate behind the school at 5:30 pm. The police looked for him and there is conflicting information about whether he was arrested or not. The police will not release any information to the School regarding this incident.

7.3 This week’s “Charge Ahead” will highlight the upcoming November 9<sup>th</sup> vote for the Virginia Road path extension – please vote. Also, Commissionaires will be coming to the School – although there are no safety concerns.

Next meeting is Wednesday, November 27, 2019 at 6:30 p.m.

Motion put forth by Shannon to adjourn the meeting at 7:41 pm and seconded by Wanda.