

Front of Yonge Elementary School

Parent Council Meeting January 15, 2019

MINUTES

ATTENDANCE

Tanya Sinclair, Laurie Sponagle, Michele Richards, Jennifer Moore, Courtney Dixon

CALL TO ORDER/ADOPTION OF AGENDA

The meeting was called to order at 6:10 p.m.

The agenda was approved with no changes.

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS' MINUTES

Minutes from the meeting held on November 6, 2018 were approved with no changes:

(moved Michele Richards/seconded Laurie Sponagle)

CARRIED

DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

No conflicts of interest were declared.

COMMITTEE REPORTS Principal's Report (see Appendix 1)

Financial Report

The current Parent Council account balance is \$4302.33.

Tanya will send an email vote regarding a \$100 gas card donation (Canadian Tire) to Mr. McCrae for traveling for medical appointments.

Trustee's Report

No report at this time.

Safe School Committee

No report at this time.

School Yard Enhancement

The new swing set has been purchased, and we are now waiting for the ground to soften before they can be installed.

The consensus among the group is that we would like to spend approximately \$250 per net for soccer nets. We want them to be good quality and detachable so they can be brought in over the winter. Tanya will arrange their purchase for the spring.

Fundraising

Do we want to do a fundraiser at the Winter Festival? Tanya will send out an email to gather Parent Council thoughts and ideas.

We raised \$885 raised at the December Cookie Walk. Leftovers were donated to Loaves and Fishes.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

NEXT MEETING DATE

The next meeting is scheduled for February 12, 2019 at 6:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

Appendix 1 - Principal's Report

Principal Message: January 15, 2019

- Trustee McAllister is now Chair of the Board and this will mean that he will now goes from having 9 schools to 79 schools. We wish him well in this new role.
- Front of Yonge has been selected to give a Board Presentation this year. We
 were to speak on January 23rd but it has been postponed. I will let you know
 when we have been given a date to present.
- The teachers continue to work on Fundamental Math Strategy that the Ministry mandated. Mr. Crawford and Miss Perkins have been attending these regional sessions every other month and have been bringing back their learning and implementing it into their classrooms. They have also been given some time to share this information with staff. We began with working on fluency in addition and subtraction, now we are moving into multiplication and division.
- In literacy we are beginning our fluency initiative in grades 1, 3 and 5/6. This is an opportunity for the students to work on reading short passages. At this time they focus on the fluency in the passage while picking up new vocabulary to build sight word recognition.
- Sports coming up in the next couple of months are Basketball, Dance Showcase and European Handball. Encourage your child to come out for the athletic events. We are also going to be starting some winter intermural in the gym. We have an arts club that has started on day 5 during recess and we also have a chess/checkers club.
- Our students in grade 3 and 5/6 continue to visit the seniors at Maple View Lodge. The students always look forward to being selected for this activity and upon their return are thrilled with the visit. They get to talk with the residents and make crafts with them.
- Winter Festival is coming up soon. The Village has been in contact with the school to complete the organization of the event. I encourage everyone to come out and enjoy the festival.