

Leslieville Junior Public School



Subject/Title:	School Council Meeting Minutes		
Date/Time:	May 18, 2016	Location:	Staff Room

Item	Notes
Agenda and Minutes	The minutes from April 20, 2016 were approved.
Principal's Report	<p>Discussion related to this item included the following:</p> <p>TDSB Superintendent and Family of Schools changes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mary Jane MacNamara is the new superintendent; this is a result of a reorganization of board boundary changes for each Family of Schools. Each FOS has been reduced, resulting in more superintendents being added. • Our FOS is very different now, and is now is wider and includes the area from Dundas to Danforth and Coxwell to Broadview • Duke will stay in our FOS. Leslieville will now be optional attendance at Duke depending on place of residence • Wards will stay the same <p>Staffing:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1.5 teachers have been hired: Mr. Nickalau will be back back and will do .5 Grade 4 LOI; Christine Brown will do HSP in the morning and resource in the afternoon • Ms. Jacobs will do a 5-6 split next year <p>Events:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Folk Festival was May 17 with 25 kids participating • The Grade 6 Ambassadors did a pep rally for the Fun Fair raffle • 70 students are going to Birchmount for track and field on May 19 • On May 24 a group of spec-ed students will go to a barrier free track and field at Variety Village • EQAO testing will occur between May 25 to June 3 • May 30 to June 3 is Bike to School Week • May 27 is the Terry Fox walkathon (this is usually held in September) • May 28 from 10:00am to noon is gardening day. Bring supplies to help in the gardens. • June 21 after school is the volunteer tea • Graduation is June 28 at 1:00pm • May 19 is Welcome to Kindergarten night • June 10 is a PA day, as is June 30. School ends on June 29 • Parent Council will do potluck at the park on the last day of school • The STEM showcase was on May 12. Next year it will be a STEAM showcase

	<p>(Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, Math). It was suggested that a live stream be done of next year's event</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The winner of the School Motto slogan will be announced
Teacher's Report	See the Treasurer's report for financial requests
School Admin Lead's Report	<p>Discussion related to this item included the following:</p> <p>Parents Reaching Out event:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Despite low attendance, the event was successful and had good feedback • There were speakers on mental health, advocating for special education, and the new health curriculum • Slide decks of the presentations will be circulated • It was suggested that the subject of the Parents Reaching Out grant for next year be based on having scientists in the school to show parents what they are doing. This would also help parents understand what school council funds. <p>Ward Council</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jen Storey spoke about the new model and how it will work with the new family of schools • There was a presentation from the TDSB Eco Schools Lead. The percent of kids who walk to school on their own has decreased significantly in the last 20 years; Kate will send the deck • The lack of crossing guards in the school area is an issue
Communications	<p>Discussion related to this item included the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We need a way to have a way to have the newsletter reflect what is going on at council • The newsletter should be about Parent Council happenings • It was suggested that the school council newsletter be added as a page to the school newsletter
Special Events Lead Report	<p>Discussion related to this item included the following:</p> <p>Fun Fair:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Volunteers are needed for the various activities at Fun Fair; Christine is looking after this • Alisa will organize the book sale • Raffle tickets are going home with students on May 19; the lottery license has been received, and raffle gifts have been purchased • New this year will be a student play by the French class, a martial arts school will do a demonstration, and there will be an eco warrior raffle
Fundraising	<p>Discussion related to this item included the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The total profit for the Acorn cards is \$484 vs. \$717 last year
Greening	<p>Discussion related to this item included the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • May 28 is a Gardening day at the school

Treasurers Report	<p>Discussion related to this item included the following:</p> <p>Financial Update:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Movie Night made a profit of \$350 • Piano accompanist: \$1,100 was budgeted but only \$420 was required • A \$700 donation has been received from the Knights of Columbus. <p>2016/17 Financial Requests</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allocations of \$1,590 for the Brock University trip, \$500 for trips and \$500 for the Grade 6 graduation BBQ will be deferred to the June 2016 meeting <p>2016/17 Financial Requests:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The book budget for spec-ed teachers will increase to \$150/teacher from the current \$75/teacher • \$57 for badminton racquet repairs will be paid for by Parent Council; the school will pay for hurdles
Other Business	<p>Discussion related to this item included the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There is no need to discuss the Parent Council governance model at the June 2016 meeting

Decisions

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Financial	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Defer requests for 2016/17 funding to the June 2016 meeting • Increase the per-teacher spec-ed teacher funding for books to \$150 from \$75 • Pay \$57 for badminton racquet repairs
Parents Reaching Out Grant	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Focus the application on Scientists in the School to show parents what they teach to students