

Leslieville School Council

Meeting Minutes

October 17, 2017



Item	Notes
Agenda	The Agenda was approved.
Principal's Report	<p>The following items were presented in the Principal's Report:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Facilities:<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ The sign has arrived but was damaged; a replacement will be installed○ New windows will be installed starting in November; one room at a time will be done, and should be finished by the end of December○ Five water stations are to be installed○ More signs have been added regarding dogs not allowed in the schoolyard• Activities:<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Eco Schools: two staff are going to a kickoff meeting tomorrow, and Leslieville is going for platinum status this year○ The Huddle Up program (bullying prevention) starts soon and will involve some Grade 5 students○ Grade 6 ambassadors are planning activities for the year○ Roots of Empathy will be working with Mr. Barrett's class; the goal is to promote empathy and respect○ Mrs. Jacobs and Mr. Bigioni are doing the Classroom Championship again, wherein an Olympic athlete is connected with the school and helps students develop a plan for community work. In a few weeks they will go and work at a food bank for a few hours.○ Cross Country: two students are going to the City Finals; six students went to the divisional finals.○ Sports: Leslieville recently participated in soccer and football tournaments○ Clubs: currently active are Lego, choir, cartooning, are ukulele, among others○ Privilege: all staff were released today on a TDSB session on privilege○ Upcoming dates: photos on Oct. 27; Halloween parade on Oct. 31; Remembrance Day assembly on Nov. 10
School Council positions	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• There was a request for replacement hockey jerseys• There is ambiguity among staff about the room parent program
School Council positions	<p>The following sub-committee leads were confirmed on a voluntary basis:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Parent Engagement and Equity: Kate Sanagan, Alisa Wing, Shannon Spink• Grants: Alex Mathias, Allison Keers, Sarah McClure• Ward Council: Jenn McGoey• Special Education: vacant

- Fun Fair: Stacey McDowell, Jenn McGoey
- Volunteers: Christine Anderson
- Greening/Eco Schools: Meg McInnis
- Caring and Safe Schools: Meg McInnis, Gabrielle Laurence
- Silent Auction: Lauren Miller
- Chinese Liaison. Michelle

Budget / Finances

- 2017-18 Budget Allocation:**
- Attendees identified the categories to fund, and the proportion that each category should receive
 - The Treasurer recommended that \$20,000 be allocated for spending in 2017-18
 - Certain categories (e.g., bank fees, web site hosting, food for Council meetings) were acknowledged as unavoidable costs and should not be subject to voting
 - The following categories and the allocated funding were approved as follows:

Category	Number of votes	Allocation (\$)
Hockey club (equipment, ice time)	27.5	\$1,250
Grade 6 Graduation	16	\$725
Transportation (field trips, clubs/teams)	33	\$1,500
Technology for classrooms	32	\$1,450
Equity/Engagement	39.5	\$1,790
Sports (equipment for teams and physical education program)	67	\$3,035
Garden educator	29.5	\$1,340
Scientist in the School program	52	\$2,335
Music program (in-school concerts)	54	\$2,450
Music equipment	46	\$2,085
Borrow-a-book (in-class libraries)	45	\$2,040
		Total = \$20,000

- The following points were noted:
 - these are nominal allocations to each category
 - some categories (e.g., Equity/Engagement) received more funding than previous years, and some received less than previous years
 - the allocation for the physical education program (equipment for classes and teams) reflects the Council-identified priorities for 2017-18 from the June 2017 Council meeting
 - adjustments of the amounts allocated to each category are allowed, particularly to reflect:
 - allow one-time requests that have not previously been identified/presented to Council
 - reflect underspending and overspending in any category

Other business:

- Financial Literacy / Junior Achievers program to encourage financial literacy. This program is available for schools (Grade 5-6 students) to build financial literacy skills in children.
- Succession Planning for School Council: there was discussion on the need for

	replacements for Tai So's role in coordinating the following Council activities: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Coordinating food for Council events (Fun Fair, Movie Nights) ○ Coordinating Movie Nights
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Actions

List of Activities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lisa: for the November meeting, provide a list of clubs and sports, when each one starts, and the eligible grades
Budget	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jenn to initiate discussions with Mr. Yee re. sports funding and potential items to purchase
Special Education	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Julie to report back on potential lead for this position
Financial Literacy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alex to investigate the Financial Literacy program offered by Junior Achievers and report back on potential dates for a workshop

Decisions

2017-18 School Council budget	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The 2017-18 budget amount and allocation was approved
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Future Meeting Schedule

November 21, 2017 December 19, 2017 January 16, 2018 February 20, 2018 March 20, 2018 April 17, 2018 May 15, 2018 June 19, 2018	Unless communicated otherwise, all meetings will be on the third Tuesday of each month from 6:00 to 8:00pm in the Leslieville PS Staff Room.
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