

Leslieville School Council

Meeting Minutes

November 21, 2017



Item	Notes
Agenda	The Agenda was approved. The October 2017 minutes were approved.
Principal's Report	The following items were presented in the Principal's Report: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Equipment: 15 new Chromebooks and some Apple TVs have been purchased• This week's theme is bullying prevention: Mr. Bigioni and the Huddle Up team are having a poster contest• TDSB Enhancing Equity Task Force: a report is to be presented to trustees in December, with the final report in winter 2018. This includes the gifted and other programs.• Eco Schools: Leslieville is going for platinum status this year. There are many students on the eco team• Halloween: there was a costume exchange, which was successful and will be repeated next year• Kindergarten registration: this can be done online this year• 2018/19 enrolment: in 2018/19 Leslieville will continue to be closed to out-of-district attendance• November 29 is a Grade 7 information night for Grade 6 students and their parents• The Christmas Concert is on December 13; there is no matinee this year• December 22 is a movie and PJ day• A list was circulated with all extra-curricular activities• Staff have been attending workshops on privilege, and are now working on next steps.
Budget	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• It was noted that \$1,450 from TDSB funding was used for the Chromebooks• It was decided to top-up the three Council-funded items (note: items to be confirmed) that had a decrease in their Council-funded budget for 2017-18. The budget for these items will be restored to the amount provided in 2016-17
Communications	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The Communications Team presented items based on their priorities for this year:<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ The Council website is going to be overhauled○ Social Media postings will be increased○ Council will have an active role in promoting school events○ Council events will have a communications plan• Website:<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ The website has a large amount of older content○ Council meeting agendas and minutes are required to be posted after each meeting

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Social Media: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Parents are encouraged to share/re-post/re-tweet Council postings in order to raise awareness of School and Council events • School sign: The communications team asked if Chinese text is available for the school sign.
Parent Engagement and Equity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There will be a winter Family Dance in January 2018 • Council was asked for suggestions for future events
Grants	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There was a suggestion to look at the Indigo grant program, which has an 'adopt a school' program • The Parents Reaching Out funding has been received from the Ministry of Education
Council positions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A PIAC representative is still needed • Gina Hill is the new Special Education lead on Council
Other Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The staff appreciation potluck will be held this year, and likely between December 17-19 • The December 2017 Council meeting will be held off-site

Actions

Technology	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lisa: for the December meeting, provide a list of technology (e.g., Chromebooks) that can be purchased via the TDSB
Budget	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Julie to contact the Council leads for each budget item to advise on their budget and get spending plans for each item
Communications	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Leasa to get Michelle to help with translation regarding posting Chinese text to the Council Facebook page
Parent Engagement: Bike Rodeo event	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Leasa to organize a Toronto Police person to come as part of a broader bike rodeo event during Bike Week

Decisions

2017-18 School Council budget	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Three funding items (draft minutes: items to be confirmed with Winston) will have their budget restored to the 2016-17 amount
Communications	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$50 to be provided to promote postings on the Council Facebook page

Future Agenda Items

Technology	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Leasa to provide a demo of how technology is used in the classrooms at the January 2018 meeting
School Council Budget Priorities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussion of any long-term budget priorities (e.g., fundraising goals for a specific budget item) at the December 2017 and January 2018 meetings

Future Meeting Schedule

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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