

FOREST HILL PUBLIC SCHOOL COUNCIL

MINUTES

Monday May 7, 2018

In Attendance

Linda Blom (Principal)	Erin Nightingale
Cindy MacNeice (Vice Principal)	Trisha Barker
Stacey Bock (Teacher Rep)	Jenna Hunter
Debra Kapy (co-chair)	Donna Henderson
Marian Phillips-MacGregor (co-chair)	Laura Lighthead
Jen Morrison (secretary)	

Regrets

Veronica Lewis

Items for follow up in green, key dates/timelines in yellow.

Welcome and Introductions

- Debra thanked all for coming.

Acceptance of Minutes of Previous Meeting – Apr 9, 2018.

- Accepted as written.

Council Admin – Debra Kapy PROGrant Application.

- Due 5 June 2018.
- Social media presentation for parents (Paul Davis if he is available) is the planned topic.
- Jen Morrison to draft application.

Volunteer Report - Debra Kapy.

- Volunteer Tea date set for May 16, is in the newsletter and paper invitations sent.

Fundraising & Lunch Programs - Marian MacGregor.

- No fundraising activities currently ongoing.
- 3rd session of lunch programs successfully underway.

Grade 8 Grad - Marian MacGregor for Petra Evans.

- Plans all underway.
- No more fundraising planned.
- Applebees over \$2000 raised with breakfast and silent auction.

Midhurst Mile - Jen Morrison

- Tue June 12. Road occupancy permit received. School use permit requested (approved). Will not be full skatepark (larger ramps being repaired).
- Save the date, road closure notices and order forms to be sent home in coming weeks. Raffle letter distributed.

- Funds requested for \$280 to pay for sundries : ice (\$30), ribbons (\$200), sponsor thank you cards (\$50). Council members agreed to cover those costs.
- Outstanding: bike rodeo organization, Be A Donor awareness drive (Laura Lighthouse). To do: Save the Date (hard copy), volunteer solicitation through Kiss n Ride.
- **Yard sweeping to be followed up at June meeting.**

Principal's Report - Linda Blom

- **TF Foundation Newsletter.** FHPS in Top 20 in Ontario. Great job!!
- **Jump Rope for Heart** May 11. Envelopes sent home.
- **Septic System Update.** Easter cleanup was not completed, still waiting, both tanks are pumped twice daily, board active in ensuring containment. **Mme Blom to ask board re completion of work prior to track and field and Midhurst Mile.** New sand and grading requested.
- **Chromebooks.** Funding request from last meeting - board is providing funding for additional chromebooks, IT rollout to be finalized. **Proposed tabling request for next school year**
- **Canine Ambassador Program.** Four staff volunteered with their dogs, two are going forward this year. Extensive training involved and annual recertification. Run by former principal from SCDSB. Dogs will offer emotional support to kids on site at the school.
- **Field Trips.** Year-end trips Camp Kitchy (6s), Brock (7s), Ottawa (8s) preparations ongoing
- **Training.** Leading Mentally Healthy Schools (mandated for all administrators), Mme Blom proctoring exams for French students this week. Mrs MacNeice training for conducting investigations, hot topics (aggressive behaviour).
- **EQAO Upcoming.** Preparations underway
- **Capital Plan.** No updates, waiting for public meetings regarding program review which would remove French program from FHPS and relocate to WR Best
- **Staffing.** Carmen Orr f/t (partial core French, partial French planning time). In round 2 of 4, .5 planning time. Ms MacNeice on short list for principal
- **Retirements.** Mme Adair retiring. Renaming Core French Award in her honour.

Teacher's Report - Stacey Bock.

- Track and Field moved to **June 7 - 8.**
- Student-led mental health activities.
- Van Gogh art program this week.

Follow-up items from previous meetings

- **Bike racks** (from Veronica Lewis via email as she was not able to attend meeting): With respect to bike racks, there is a wide variety of prices, depending on what we want. If we go with a galvanized steel, traditional 18 bike rack – similar to what we have now – it is approximately \$1000 per rack, plus tax and shipping, coming to a total of \$1500. You can also get a 10 bike, 9 bike, or 5 bike rack, though I think it makes sense to get the biggest one. There are cheaper options, but most of them require a specific installation – ie – a mount into asphalt or a ground mount to keep it secure. The traditional rack is

heavy enough that it doesn't need a mount, but still portable if we want to move it (though admittedly it would be heavy to move as it's about 100lbs)

- Mme Blom also contacted Dave Henderson at Nantyr Shores about bike racks but no luck to date, looking at other schools that may be able to make these.

Date of Next School Council Meeting

- Monday, Jun 4, 2018 @ 7:00 pm in the Library

Agenda Items for Next Meeting

- Please forward items by Friday, June 1, 2018 to the Council Chairs at councilchairfor@scdsb.on.ca