

VISCOUNT ALEXANDER PUBLIC SCHOOL

SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING

Monday, October 1st, 2018

<p><u>Present</u></p> <p>Members: <i>Paula Slesar – Principal</i> <i>Kate Wigston – Co-chair</i> <i>Mia Hunt – Co-chair</i> <i>Magda-Lena Capkun –Secretary</i> <i>Charlene Blaszczyk – Treasurer</i> <i>Chris Evans – Co-Treasurer</i></p> <p>Members at Large: <i>Leila Heikkila</i> <i>Juliana Laboucane</i> <i>Assia Mokrani</i> <i>Lisa Chen Obrist</i> <i>Hitham Jleed</i> <i>David Collister</i></p>	<p><u>Regrets</u></p> <p><i>Karen Benjamin – Teacher Rep</i> <i>Michael Barnes – Community Rep.</i> <i>Susan Green</i> <i>Michelle MacAfee</i> <i>Adam Peters</i> <i>Esther Peters</i> <i>Stephen Cudmore</i> <i>Tirsan Hujaleh</i> <i>Christine Thompson</i> <i>Betsy Schuurman</i></p>
<p>1. Meeting was called to order at 6:35 p.m.</p> <p>2. <u>Elections of Executive members</u></p> <p>The following members were elected or acclaimed:</p> <p>Co-chair – Kate Wigston Co-chair – Mia Hunt Secretary – Magda-Lena Capkun Treasurer – Charlene Blaszczyk Co-Treasurer – Chris Evans Community Rep. – Michael Barnes Karen Benjamin has agreed to continue as Teacher Rep.</p> <p>3. <u>Principal's Report</u></p> <p>IEP's: Being completed now. EQAO results: many students were exempted (given a score of 0), which affected Viscount's scores, but those who did write were mainly at level 3 and 4. We will go over results at next month's meeting. Breakfast Club: Someone has been hired to run the Breakfast Club, but the Board has not yet given the go-ahead for him to start. Primary Choir: Julie Lanca is starting a choir Terry Fox Run: last Friday, September 28th – successful and fun activities for all Play structure: finally installed last week; needs to be inspected before use</p>	

Health Curriculum: teachers to use old curriculum; some topics, such as cyber-bullying will be covered through other subjects, such as media literacy and digital citizenship
Upcoming dates:

- Picture Day – Thursday, October 4th
- PD Day – Friday, October 5th – teachers will be working on Math and Assessment
- Girl's and boy's soccer – October 11th
- Cross Country – ongoing practices; meet is on October 15th

4. Treasurer's Report

Opening Balance: \$17,041.84

Closing Balance: \$12,885.97

5. KP Play Structure Opening:

- Opening "ceremony" will take place in the next 2 weeks, before elections, to allow for current Trustee and Councilor to attend; date TBD. Time - 8:15 am, to allow for parents to be there, as well as KP students. Coffee and juice to be served.
- Kate will invite Reps from the donating organizations, as well as others who wrote letters for the grant, and Tamara, who wrote up the grant; Kate to get Banner.

6. Movie Night: Friday, November 9th

- Volunteers needed for set-up; purchasing of pizza, chips and drinks; clean up; need teacher volunteer for crowd control, and one to set up of sound system.
- Juliana will send out survey for which movie to show (under 90 minutes)
- Times: 4:45 pm - set-up; 5:30 – doors open; 6:00 – movie starts

7. Budgeting of 2018 Skate-a-thon money and other funds

- More money left over than intended to have - \$2000 allotted for Scientist in Schools from 2017 Skate-a-thon was not used. School received other money to pay for it. \$2000 for Chromebooks from that year was not all spent. Circa \$600 left over. Now have new money from 2018.
- Council agreed to spend \$2000 on Scientists in Schools and \$2000 on new Chromebooks; Council will look at other items at the next meeting.

8. Christmas Hampers: 3 families needed hampers last year; Council willing to buy gift cards for food; donations of gifts and food to be collected, as last year. Will finish discussing in November.

9. Other: David Collister brought forth new fundraising idea – Selling Francesco's coffee – each bag costs \$16, Council keeps \$6 of this. Will discuss further in November.

NEXT MEETING: November 5th, 2018, at 6:30 pm.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 pm.