

Minutes of Parent Council Meeting Mon Sept 22nd, 2014

Present: Lisa Warner, Anna Hrothgar, Ryan Rogerson, Sachi Koziol, Jackie Morse, Maryem Tollar, Onil Bhattacharyya, Cindy Acab, Cheryl Hooper, Lisa Hoff, Susan Shen, Albert Oliver, Ray Forzley, Melanie Gordon, Joanne Blanchette, Beth Mills, Ted Vella, Jodi Smith

Wecome and Introductions.

Q&A with Beth and Jodi

Discussions around snack program.

Please submit your money.

Link to Snack program guide will be posted on the school website. <http://davincischool.ca/>

Principal's Report

Enrollment this year

JK	13 students	9 on waitlist
SK	12	4
Gr 1	7	1
Gr 2	9	0
Gr 3	13	6
Gr 4	9	1
Gr 5	5	0
Gr 6	4	0

- X country has started. Approx 58-60 kids from Grades 1-3 are taking part. X Country Meet on Oct 8th, at Ashbridges Bay, volunteers needed. Info will come home.
- Mr Gillman (Lord Lansdowne) has started a Primary Choir. Some daVinci kids are taking part.
- daVinci's 5th year of operation. Review will take place in Spring?
- Focus on Math this year and building a connection between home and school (Feb/Mar)
- Curriculum Night is Tues Sept 30 6pm -6 30pm and 6 30pm – 7pm to facilitate those with siblings at the school.
- 60 extra primary kids at daVinci / Lord Lansdowne PS. Emphasis is on safety when #'s are that high.
- Once the track repair gets started it should take one month to complete
- DaVinci Information Night will be Jan 21st, 2015 We need parents to participate. Write an anecdote about an experience you or your child has had in DaVinci or write about one of the teachers etc and read it or submit it to the Executive Council and someone will read it for you. We also need a poster designed and parents to distribute them. Word of mouth is also key. Please help get the word out about our lovely school

Treasurer's Report

- A request for money will be coming home shortly. You will be issued a tax receipt for any amount over \$25. We will be requesting \$50 per student. This is to support and finance many of the Waldorf supplies that we use in the classrooms and some other extras. Some of the items purchased last year were: paint, watercolour paint brushes, felting needles, baking supplies eg. flour, baking soda, honey, yeast, oil, salt, etc., baking tools eg. cookie sheets, mixing bowls, spatula, measuring spoons, etc., chalk, beeswax crayons, Waldorf notebooks, pencil crayons, stick crayons, fountain pens and ink, lantern materials eg. hooks, doweling, paper, yarn, didgeridoo- making supplies, fimo.

We have \$100 in the Parent Council account which is very low.

We have \$700 left in the teacher's account which they will be drawing from as they finish setting up their classrooms.

PART Report

PART Committee Recommendations are:

1. Lord Lansdowne Jr & Sr PS JK-6 English students relocate to Kensington CS in September 2015. The Kensington CS junior attendance boundary will be redrawn to include the former Lord Lansdowne Jr & Sr PS English junior attendance boundary.
2. Grade 7 and 8 French Extended Program phase out of Lord Lansdowne Jr & Sr PS effective September 2016. In September 2016, King Edward Jr & Sr PS will begin to offer Grade 7 French Extended, while Lord Lansdowne Jr & Sr PS will have only Grade 8 French Extended students. In September 2017, King Edward Jr & Sr PS will continue offering Grade 7 French Extended, and will begin to offer Grade 8 French Extended. Lord Lansdowne Jr & Sr PS will no longer have any French Extended classes.
3. Da Vinci School relocate from Lord Lansdowne Jr. & Sr. PS to Kensington CS for September 2015 and expand from 4 to 6 classes. Da Vinci will occupy 6 classrooms on the third floor. Rooms 300-303 will be retrofitted to add walls in the existing open

concept quad area, a wall will be constructed to separate rooms 304 and 305, as well as the fit-up of one room to accommodate Da Vinci FDK students (304).

The PART report will also make mention of a commitment to reconvene the PART, at a point to be determined by the Superintendent of Education in consultation with the local Trustee, during the 2014/15 school year to consider the following:

1. The future of the Grade 7-8 English program at Lord Lansdowne Jr. & Sr. PS (options may include; Orde Jr. PS K-8 expansion, Kensington CS K-8 expansion, boundary change to King Edward Jr. & Sr. PS, or no changes).
2. Consider the viability of a K-6 "hub" at Kensington CS and a Grade 7-8 "hub" at King Edward Jr. & Sr. PS.
3. Determine if Lord Lansdowne Jr. & Sr. PS can accommodate a third unit of SK early French immersion long-term

In order for the PART recommendations to be implemented for the 2015/16 school year, the report must be presented to the Board of Trustees on November 26, 2014. The full timeline to implementation is as follows:

- PART Report submitted to the Central Accommodation Team: October 9, 2014
- Executive Council: Late October/Early November
- Planning and Priorities Committee (Opportunity for Public Deputations): November 12, 2014
- Regular Board for final approval: November 26, 2014

Nominations for the Executive Council.

Your Executive Council for 2014/15 is

Co Chair: Joanne Blanchette

Co Chair: Ryan Rogerson

Treasurer: Cheryl Hooper

Secretary: Lisa Hoff

Parent at Large: Albert Oliver

Finance Committee: Anna Hrothgar

Thank you so much to those who have stepped forward to help propel us along.

Information Updates:

Please sign the consent form for email communication. It was sent home with your child at the beginning of school. Or see Kim in the daVinci Office or Rosa in the Lord Lansdowne Office to get one.

HVRA's School Trustee Debate: October 23, 7:00-9:30pm, Trinity-St.Paul's Centre

Proposed meeting dates for the year: 6:30pm start time.

Tues Oct 21	Wed Nov 19	Thurs Dec 18	Mon Jan 19	Tues Feb 24	Wed Mar 25	Thurs April 23
Mon May 25	Tues June 23					

Meeting adjourned: 8:15pm

Please contact Joanne Blanchette by email if you would like to be on a School Council email list pending completion of the CASL forms.

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