

**Name of Committee: Island Public School Council**

**Meeting Date: February 18, 2021**

**A meeting of the Island Public School Council convened on February 18, 2021 at 7:30 p.m. as a Zoom Meeting with Laura-Maria Nikolareizi presiding.**

<p><b>Attendance Voting Members: (School Council)</b></p>	<p>The following participated by electronic means: Laura-Maria Nikolareizi(Chair), Walid Al-Hajj (Vice Chair), Darren Lafreniere(Treasurer), Elizabeth Alderson(Secretary), Tara Bezusko(Governance Chair), Tendai Mhute(Equity Chair), Ashwin Mallipatna(Special Events Chair), Natasha Benham(Fundraising Chair), Kyle Peterson(Communications Chair), Joseph Hagopian(Technology Chair), Atousa Faraz(Virtual Chair), Alida Andersen(Environmental Chair), Aura Albarracin, David Andersen, Diana Barbato, Siham Belgadi, Sofiane Belgadi, Steve Benham, Sheela Chellapermal, Laila Choudhry, Tempie Coelho-Freeman, Pamela Drappel, Petar Drecun, Lili Dronjak, Andre Edelbrock, Katy El Yousef, Chizoba Ezeibe, Christopher Fernandes, Janet Fry, Leo Henning, Dana Ho, Lynda Jeffs, Tanya Markovic, Sally Pickering, Derek Rayside, Karen Rothfels, Corinne Samama, Ana Saville, Connie Sheppard, Lindsay Stephens, Sushma Subramanyam, Michiko Sugawara, Johnny Tkach, David Torrance, Nayeli Toxqui, Iffat Vira, Rahim Vira, Abigail Wren, Aman Zafar,</p>
<p><b>Attendees and Non-Voting Members:</b></p>	<p>Scott Woolford (Principal), Tracy Jewitt (Teacher), Melissa Amer, Jason Applebaum, Amanda Chalmer, Jason Doucette, Mark Farmer, Mo Jalali, Jen O’Leary, Cori MacFarlane(Office Admin).</p>
<p><b>Regrets:</b></p>	
<p><b>Absence:</b></p>	

**Notes:** Quorum Attained: 49 Voting Members in Attendance.

AGENDA ITEM	DECISION / ACTION TAKEN	PERSON(S) RESPONSIBLE
Land Acknowledgement		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mr. Woolford</li> </ul>
Welcome & Introductions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Call to Order: 7:30 P.M.</li> <li>Welcome and introductions of guests</li> <li>This meeting has been convened to revisit the business of the February 4<sup>th</sup> meeting, specifically the motions, as that meeting did not reach quorum.</li> <li>Chair acknowledged and celebrated the great work that is happening in the different council committees due to parent engagement.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Laura-Maria</li> <li>Walid Al-Hajj</li> </ul>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Chair encouraged families to continue to participate and support pupil achievement through volunteering.</li> </ul>	
Confirmation of Quorum	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Secretary confirmed that more than the 39 required for quorum are in attendance.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Elizabeth Alderson</li> </ul>
Meeting Management	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The panelists will first speak and if anyone from council wishes to direct a question to one of our panelist chairs they will enter the question in the chat to the Communications Chair.</li> </ul> <p>MOTION: That the <u>Meeting procedures for tonight be approved</u> by Kyle Peterson. Walid seconded the motion. 87% IN FAVOUR. 13% Not in favour. Carried.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Kyle Peterson</li> </ul>
Code of Ethics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Template code of ethics is compliant with Reg 612.</li> <li>Governance Committee agreed to adopt the template code of ethics with an expiry date of Feb 28th 2021 while continuing work on governance. <b>see attached code of ethics.</b></li> </ul> <p>MOTION: That the <u>School Code of Ethics be adopted until February 28th</u> by Tara Bezusko. Walid seconded the motion. 95.1% IN FAVOUR. 4.9 Not in favour. Carried.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Declaration of conflict of interest - please inform council if you are in a conflict of interest.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Tara Bezusko</li> </ul>
Approval of Agenda	<p>MOTION: That <u>tonight's agenda be approved</u> by Laura-Maria Nikolareizi. Atousa Faraz seconded the motion. 97.1 % IN FAVOUR. 2.9 % Not in favour. Carried. 35 votes received. 3 votes having issues;</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Laura-Maria Nikolareizi</li> </ul>

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Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting	MOTION: That <u>the minutes dated February 4<sup>th</sup>, 2021 be approved</u> by Laura-Maria Nikolareizi. Atousa Faraz seconded the motion. 85.3% IN FAVOUR. 14.7% Not in favour. Carried. 34 votes received.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Laura-Maria Nikolareizi</li> </ul>
Equity Committee Update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Desmond Cole agreed to participate with us as part of our book club; Penguin House is offering free e-books and physical copies of The Skin We Are In</li> <li>Starts March 3<sup>rd</sup> and March 10<sup>th</sup> from 7pm onwards.</li> <li>Four schools working together on this.</li> <li>Also arranging events for Orange Shirt Day and Pink Shirt Day</li> <li>Looking for input to the Equity committee and more people participating.</li> </ul> <p>MOTION: That <u>the school council support the collaboration with Nelson Mandela, the Waterfront School, Market Lane School and IPS Public Schools to form a book club during Black History Month. That school council accept the donation from Penguin Random House, Kobo and author Desmond Cole</u> by Tendai Mhute. Iffat Vira seconded the motion. 97.7% IN FAVOUR. 2.3% Not in favour. Carried.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Tendai Mhute</li> </ul>
Special Events Committee	MOTION: That <u>council approve the school spirit events that are planned for the next 5 months. They are as follows and no particular order due to covid 19 and public health guidelines we are required to follow: recipe book, astronomy night, weekly jogging club, triathlon, camping weekend, and city scavenger hunt</u> on behalf of Dr. Ashwin Mallipatna by LM. Johnny Tkatch seconded the motion. 92.7 % IN FAVOUR. 7.3 % Not in favour. Carried.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Dr. Ashwin Mallipatna</li> </ul>
Fundraising Committee	MOTION: that <u>school council accept the fundraising goal for the next 5 months as \$25K which will support pupil achievement. The fundraising platform will be a virtual auction, school spirit gear, wine and app evening, Mothers and Fathers</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Natasha Benham</li> </ul>

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	<u>Day campaign, corporate donations, grants and direct emailing to families to donate to the school</u> on behalf of Natasha Benham by LM. Ashwin Mallipatna seconded the motion. 82.1 IN FAVOUR. 17.9% Not in Favour. Carried.	
Principal's Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Back to school in person learning over the weekend.</li> <li>• Message sent out about reminder of healthy habits and masking requirements <b>See attached slides.</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Scott Woolford</li> </ul>
Question and Answer Session	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Request that questions be sent to the appropriate Committee Chair.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Kyle Peterson</li> </ul>
Next Meeting date	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• TBD</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•</li> </ul>
Adjournment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 9:15 PM</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Walid Al Hajj</li> </ul>

**Post meeting notes:**

- Questions that were raised were passed to the secretary and have been forwarded to the appropriate Committee Chair to be answered.
- One request for a correction to the minutes of the Feb 4<sup>th</sup> Meeting was made.