

**ISLAND PUBLIC SCHOOL COUNCIL  
EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEMBERS MEETING  
February 13, 2019  
Held at The Loft at Longo's  
Maple Leaf Square, Toronto, Ontario  
at 5:30 p.m.**

ATTENDING: Jason, Co-Chair  
Jen, Co-Chair Secretary  
Ivana, Communications Chair  
Scott Woolford, Principal  
ABSENT: Laura-Maria, Ciaran, Shannon, Abigail & Tendai

ALSO INVITED: Alida Andersen

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**CALL TO ORDER**

Proper notice having been given, and a quorum confirmed, the meeting was called to order.

Meeting called to order at 5:39pm

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES of Meeting on January 9, 2019**

- ON a MOTION to approve Meeting on Jan 9 Minutes by Sarah and seconded by Ivana, it was resolved to approve. ALL IN FAVOUR. CARRIED

**PRINCIPAL'S REPORT**

- 140 kids attended Nelson Mandela today, Feb 13
- Report cards going out Feb 14 due to all the relocations (vs Feb 12)
- Interviews are for teachers who feel like they need to meet w parents or vice versa, interviews on a needs basis. Likely encourage phone or docks meeting as ferry is going to be more difficult.
- Ferry got stuck at Hanlans in the morning – hence relocation.
- Not likely to be driving thru airport to access the school due to more complications. Require federal transport. We now have 4 buses of kids versus 3 or 5 years ago. Possible waiting of up to 2 hours just to cross tarmac. Air traffic is busier now
- Valentine's day fundraiser
  - o Last year funds raised reduced \$125 per kid for Ottawa trip
  - o This year outdoor classroom and Right to Play will be the benefit for the proceeds.

- YPT trip coming up for K-2. Gr 1&2 will be staying to do workshops
- Mabin School presentation on Monday
- Third Path, staff attended meeting on Saturday to enhance relationship base between students and teachers. Good for kids and adults – research showed. Writer will be looking to do a workshop for just the IPS staff.
  - o Looking at engagement
  - o Safety, belonging, regulation, engagement
  - o Will do more with Mabin School
- Wishlist, approx \$24K
  - o Finalizing technology plan
  - o Scholl wide stuff
    - Scientist in school – would like the money for this sooner so teachers can book
    - Performers
    - Musical instruments
- In process of planning for 2019-20 school year
- In April will be finishing school organization and class placement

### **ALIDA ANDERSEN – PLASTIC POLLUTION**

- Scott: has not purchased or used a plastic water bottle in 2 years.
- Alida's Dad had mentioned plastic is bad for the world and doesn't go away for many years
- Turning point for her was after watching Plastic World – the movie on Netflix
- Alida is a dentist. She cannot reduce plastic consumption due to health/sanitary reasons
- Involves ourselves and our kids and generations after
- As an individual, you feel like just a drop in a bucket
- Alida has created a Youtube channel to raise awareness. Interviewing neighbourhood businesses. More subscribers means more influence.
- Helping parents understand why we need to make a change
- Would like to partner with Eco Club at school to teach children
- Plastic takes 500-1000 years to break down. Doesn't actually go away. Just breaks down into micro plastics
- Food packaging is horrible and excessive
- 91% of plastic is NOT recycled
- 1. Plastic's effect on the environment
  - o Made from fossil fuels – depleting
  - o Creates polluted air
  - o The great pacific plastic patch
  - o There will more plastic than fish by the year 2050
- 2. Plastic's effect on our health
  - o Micro plastic is causing health problems for us

3. Plastic's effect on marine animals and seabirds
  - One time use plastics are dramatically
- What to do right away to change behavior
  - Bring your own bags
  - Bring your own cup
  - Choose products that use less plastic
- Goal is a zero waste lifestyle - Refuse plastic is number one
- A polluted plastic item can contaminate a recycled batch of plastic and that batch would end up in landfill – please clean your plastics before recycling!
- SCOTT: IPS is a platinum school. Eco club goes to classrooms conduct waste audits and to help change behavior. Looking for non-contaminated recyclables. Encourage reusable water bottles
  - Eco Club works with Science school to sort our garbage, saving on hydro, etc
  - Tracked garbage in the classes and see the change in behavior
  - Buy specific paper for the school, charge teachers for their copies
  - Eco Club has kids assist other students at lunch properly sort their garbage
  - Eco Club will be doing a reusable snack bag fundraiser
  - Food waste from snack program reduced
    - Can't get rid of plastic yogurt tubes
    - Cannot have anything that needs to be cleaned
  - PARENT : can we increase walk to school?
    - SCOTT: No, too much prep time lost, increased from once a year to once a month. Walk to school causes students to arrive at 10am
- **Thank you Alida for doing the presentation!**

### **TREASURER CHAIR REPORT**

Bank balance     \$11,583.74  
 Including.        \$3,594.46 collected for ski day. Invoice from Horseshoe won't be received until next week. Still to be reconciled

Cash owed from the school cash system

IPS Marlies tickets	\$2,300.00
IPS Pointsettia	\$1,120.00
IPS Spirit Wear	\$3,565.00
Total	\$6,985.00

Cori will be issuing a cheque next week to be deposited.

### **NUTRITION PROGRAM – IVANA**

- No guidelines on sugar quantity for students
- Big issue with the yogurt tubes – want them removed as an option
- Must have at least 2 g of fibre for items to be offered
- Shelly from nutrition services

- Nutrition Services guidelines comes from Toronto Public Health
  - o Has things that they can never serve and some that they can serve all the time
  - o \$1 per day per each student for budget for lunch program, suggest something for 30c
  - o Food has a premium cost to get onto the island – need to take into consideration
  - o Must be an attainable cost plus a charge for the putting together of the bins
- Next update in April

### **OTHER BUSINESS**

- Coding presentation at next meeting?
- Following up with Joe Cressy to get the crossing guard and traffic study
- Ferry boat safety presentation with parents and students
- Friday, Feb 15 is ski day
- Marlies is on Monday, Feb 18
  - o 120 tickets sold
  - o We will have pep rally at 2pm – come regardless of Marlies tickets
    - IPS toques for first 35

### **CONGRATS TO SCOTT WOOLFORD!!**

- Named one of The Learning Partnership’s Canada’s Outstanding Principals!!
- <https://www.thelearningpartnership.ca/about/news/2019/30-exceptional-educators-recognized-as-canada%E2%80%99s-outstanding-principals?lang=en-CA>
- Will be meeting with the rest of the winners at the end of Feb
- Principal of the Mabin School was a winner in 2011
- Requirements: Must support and promote public education
- Requirements: Must mentor a principal = Waterfront principal and Lord Dufferin VP
- Requirements: Must attend professional development over a 5 day week
- So well deserved! IPS sincerely applaud you!!

### **NEXT MEETING**

School Council meeting 5:30pm at Longo’s on April 9, 2019

### **TERMINATION OF MEETING**

ON a MOTION to adjourn meeting by Ivana and seconded by Sinead, as the business of the IPS School Council Meeting was completed, it was resolved to close the meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 7:07 pm.

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Co-Chair Secretary

Date

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