

Name of Committee: Island Public School Council

Meeting Date: January 20, 2022

A meeting of the Island Public School Council convened on January 20, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. as a Zoom Meeting with Walid Al-Hajj presiding.

Attendance: (School Council)	The following participated by electronic means: Walid Hajj (Vice Chair), Tara Bezusko (Treasurer), Ashwin Mallipatna (Equity Chair), Natasha Benham (Special Events & Fundraising Chair), Jason Applebaum, Diana Barbato, Steven Benham, Sheela Anetta Chellapermal, Florin Covrig, Rina Davda, Arielle de la Loyere, Jennifer Futol, Ann Devarashetty, Pamela Drappel, Andre Edelbrock, Sabine El Ghali, Chizoba Ezeibe, Linda Jeffs, Adelle Karim, Doris Kimutai, Brian Kirk, Jennie Lai, Geoffrey C. Leung, Regan Magor, Sinead Moore, Kyle Peterson, Corinne Samama, Sushma Subramanyam, David Torrance, Anita Webb, Aman Zafar, Porscha Tsui
Attendees:	Chris Glover, Tracy Jewitt (Teacher), Cori MacFarlane (Office Admin)
Regrets:	Laura-Maria Nikolareizi (Chair), Elizabeth Alderson (Secretary)
Absence:	

Notes: Quorum not attained.

AGENDA ITEM	DECISION / ACTION TAKEN	PERSON(S) RESPONSIBLE
Land Acknowledgement	<ul style="list-style-type: none">•	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Mr. Woolford
Welcome & Introductions	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Call to Order: 7:00 P.M.• Welcome and introductions of guests	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Walid Al-Hajj
Fundraising Committee Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The main fundraiser will be the BBQ at the end of the year• Direct financial donations through cashless schools.• For Mother's Day, planning if that fundraiser will go ahead this year	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Natasha Benham

	<p>MOTION: To approve IPS Wish List for School Council Fundraising 2021-22 by Fundraising Chair. Seconded by Walid Al-Haaj ALL IN FAVOUR. Approved in principle. Quorum not attained.</p>	
<p>Principal's Report</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • School supplied technology to families prior to Winter Break so that we were able to pivot to remote learning in January • Google classes will continue to be updated with information by the homeroom teacher • Transportation routines sent to families for Winter schedule in December <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Gr. 1-6 at 8:30AM ferry / FDK at 09:00AM ferry) ○ Arrive earlier to allow for health screening prior to boarding ferry ○ Siblings may travel together • Health screening app and hard copy paper - questions have changed • Maintaining, reminding and having good routines for health and safety <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ exit / entry doors ○ heath screening station ○ hand sanitizer stations ○ COVID-19 screening posters ○ Water bottle filling stations ○ washroom routines ○ designated health and Wellness room ○ Heating and ventilation HVAC system ○ HEPA filters In each classroom / teaching space • Healthy habits (ie don't touch your face, coughing into arm etc) reminders to students and staff Via announcements and posters • Important Update: Daily health screening before you leave home (check that you are using the most current paper version) • Student and staff wear masks on ferry • Spacing on buses - two classes per bus, two students per seat • TDSB has provided adjustable, reusable masks, 3 will be provided to each student • Student absence google form (for one of the 4 reasons indicated on form) • Continue to notify impacted classes of any positive COVID cases • Rapid Antigen Tests will be sent home (2 per package) • Remembrance Day virtual school wide Assembly • National Indigenous Veterans Day • Mississauga of the Credit First Nations Flag Raising • Tower Gardens – starting to seed again after our extended absence 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Scott Woolford

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • TDSB Character traits <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ November: Empathy ○ December: Kindness and Caring ○ January: Teamwork • Caring Adult program • Reporting Timeline: Term 1 report cards will be going home on February 15, 2022 and February 18 will be a PA day with parent teacher conferences <p>School budget: Each school gets a budget allocation based on enrollment. Some allocations come off that amount as necessary - must be present on specific items.</p> <p>School Wishlist: Developed with input from the staff, staff and divisions think about what items are needed, useful and well received by students Examples:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Build up our Chromebooks, iPads and enhanced classroom libraries • Virtual Scientist in Schools – one per class • Two virtual workshops - cultivating kindness and mindfulness • Two virtual school wide performances (Prologue) • Forest of Reading • Musical Instruments • Grade specific learning apps 	
Special Guest	<p>Interested in long term effects of the pandemic lock down on students. Advocating for more support for younger grades affected by lock down</p> <p>Encourage you to sign up for the weekly updates for the Spadina – Fort York Riding. Contains local information, things to do, activities for families</p> <p>“Impact the younger kids due to the pandemic, research is good but the action needs to be timely.”</p> <p>Chris Glover’s email and link to survey will be shared via school messenger</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chris Glover

<p>Equity Committee Report</p>	<p>To try to learn about unconscious bias / implicit bias. After speaking with other parents, a suggestion was made to have two workshops (February/June) with a company called Unlearn. We applied for a PRO grant but did not receive enough funds to cover the entire cost of the workshops. We could fundraise to cover the cost or partner with another school to share costs.</p> <p>Looking for participation by all families.</p> <p>Question: Who is the target audience for the workshop? Answer: Parents and family</p> <p>MOTION: <u>To proceed to bring Unlearn on board for workshop</u> by Equity Chair. Seconded by Natasha Benham ALL IN FAVOUR. Approved in principle. Quorum not attained.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ashwin Mallipatna
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Next Meeting date 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none">
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Adjournment 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8:15 PM Motion to Adjourn: Walid Hajj seconded: Natasha Benham 	

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