

RCI School Council Meeting
Minutes for Monday, May 27, 2019
School Library
7:00 pm

1. Call to Order, Welcome & Minutes Approval Donna & Khaleel
Congratulations to Mr. Edwards being awarded the TDSB Service Excellence Award this year. 11 people were awarded out of 260 nominations. Thank you for everyone pitching in for the kids. We are in such a good place with Council and all we achieved.
Review of April 29, 2019 Minutes – Jackie approved, Laura seconded

2. Finance Report (see attached) Laura
Attached are the latest numbers. Direct donation campaign to date – raised \$1,150 from 12 donors. Based on the TDSB School Council Seminars, we should be able to carry over fundraised funds if we designate their use.
Consensus that surplus will be designated for purchasing Chrome Book hubs based on Teacher Wish List and/or installation of the auditorium projector. The Board-designated funds must be used by June 30, 2019. Fans, Speaker Fees and Projector for Auditorium leaves us with a \$1,037 surplus (2nd spreadsheet).
 - Laura to talk to Tina Gillis (TDSB) , Marlea (RCI) and Mountview treasurer with questions about carrying over funds and final report
 - Laura and Donna/Khaleel to connect about the final report.
 - Donna to contact Marlea to order the projector and put in a work order right away. Confirm if TDSB covers installation costs

3. Principal's Update: Paul
Still reeling over the last two weeks' events and the TDSB Excellence Award; it takes a village.
Activities around the school:
Major construction underway besides the Mountview Renovation
Retrofitting of the east side windows to open more and install shades.
West windows are being done now.
South windows are being replaced on the Mountview floor as part of the renovation, but not the second floor.
 - Parents can help get the last of the windows replaced through letter requests – the second floor south windows.
 - ACTION: someone to send out info on who to send emails/communication to

Roof replacement is designated for June. This may be linked to the leak in the pool. Ongoing work is happening with a subcontractor. Pool is closed and will not be available for the summer. Not sure if anything can be done politically to move this further.

July/August – caretakers will be getting things ready for September and five different contractors will be working in the school during these months. If there are orders to be delivered, please do it before July.

Mountview Renovation

Six MV teachers will be moving their stuff into their rooms in August as well. Pretty sure everything will be ready for September.

Construction has been moving along and fairly well.

Urgent request submitted for replacing the water-filling station that is being covered up today due to the renovation with one across from the library.

From 9 am – 3:30 pm, little crises occur and Ahmed (TDSB Designer) is able to expedite it very quickly. Reacting extremely well to get the job done.

300 auditorium seats are slated for replacement next year

Track & Field outdoor track slated to be started on next week

Another possibility is the replacement or partial replacement of A/C units (library and auditorium – cooling centres). Consultants are in right now.

Jackie: With the budget cuts, do we have any information about what classes are being cut? Paul: Can't talk about until after June 8.

Joseph re: Student Success

Exams:

June 18 (Period 1) in the afternoon from 1-3 (Morning is a review period).

June 19 (Period 2) , June 20 (Period 3), June 21 (Period 4) in the morning.

June 25 – students check grades (8:45 – 10:45 am). Important that students come in that day as they have to sign up for summer school before June 26.

4. Teacher Update (see attached) Karen
Student Equity did an equity walk about the building to find areas that affect school climate. Typed up a report to administration of what changes can be made. Administration will be considering options for this year and next. Courtyard is being spruced up. Muskoka chairs/picnic table could be put on our fundraising wish list. Mountview talked about taking this on and could collaborate with RCI
5. Fundraising
\$1,100 from School Cash Online (11 donors) + \$50 in office. Jackie got recommendations on how to make it more successful (direct links, school cash

online creation for the school, etc.). Even though we started late, it is a good start.

Multiple ways to donate:

- Donation box at meetings
- Help out with your time

ACTION: Jackie to add direct donation letter in Welcome package and work with Michele (and Maria) later in June. Jackie also to look at different grants for other opportunities. Perhaps a beautification of the courtyard (Plant World is going out of business...)

6. Upcoming Events

- **Parenting Teens Presentation** (Kimberly) - Only two parents so far besides the sign-up sheet from Spring Arts Night. Need more communication. **ACTION:** Michelle to make sure it's going to all community school principal for distribution to all parents. Kimberly to extend deadline for RSVP. Cookies, coffee, tea and water (\$100 budget). Lucy to help Kimberly set up. Council to distribute via their personal networks
- **Staff Appreciation Lunch** (Laura) - Kimberly to include in WAAG - Laura to create a spreadsheet for sign up. 40-50 staff. Karen to provide paper products through the student nutrition program supplies. Will be held in the library. Get the students involved in appreciating their teachers and that can drive parents to sign up. Maybe get RUSTCO to lead/serve?
- **Commencement** (June 27) - Kimberly de Witte to be Parent volunteer

7. 2019/20 Planning

Donna & Khaleel to draft a closing statement to be sent out to parent community and put on website by end of June,

Dates are set as follows (all Mondays starting at 7 pm):

September 16 - Planning Meeting (last year's council)

September 23 - First School Council meeting; Financial Report; Election

October 28 - Presentation TBA

November 25 - Executive Meeting/Presentation

January 13 - Presentation TBA (exam prep?)

February 24 - Executive Meeting/Presentation

March 30 - Presentation TBA

April 27 - Executive Meeting

May 25 - Final Council Meeting; Annual Report

Kimberly to send dates to Maria for School Calendar

8. Mountview Transition Update Kimberly
Construction seems to be going smoothly (see Principal Update above). Tracy Hayhurst has promised to have some financial numbers at the upcoming meeting at 9:15 on Wednesday, May 29. Objective is to see if there is room for some upgrades that would benefit RCI students. Email Kimberly with any further concerns, or attend meeting with Kimberly to show united front.
9. Other Business
Best Buy is holding a contest (#donttrashtech) where electronic drop-offs before June 2 give RCI a ballot for a chance to win \$2,500 gift card. Kimberly to include in Week-at-a-Glance
10. Adjournment (9:10 pm)

RCI Parent School Council Funds for 2018-19 School Year					
		TDSB Allocated Funds (Based on School Enrolment)*	Parent Engagement Funds*	PRO Grant Funds*	Council-fundraised funds
	TOTAL	Acct #41500		#14510565	(PACE Account)
Opening Balance Sept 1, 2018	\$2,555.00	\$705.00	\$500.00	\$1,000.00	\$350.00
Required Balance to be left in account	(\$175.00)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	(\$175.00)
Estimated Parent donations to date (Cash Online = Board Funds*)	\$350.00		\$350.00		
	\$0.00				
Net Available for expenditures	\$2,730.00	\$705.00	\$850.00	\$1,000.00	\$175.00
Anticipated Expenditures:					
School Council Banner	\$84.27			\$84.27	
Corkboard	\$75.00			\$75.00	
Classroom Fans (RONA) - estimate	\$559.93	\$559.93			
PRO Grant Speaker (\$600 +HST)	\$708.00			\$708.00	
Available	\$1,302.80	\$145.07	\$850.00	\$132.73	\$175.00
Estimated costs:					
Refreshments for PRO Grant Speaker	\$100.00			\$100.00	
Ceiling mounted projector - Hitachi CP-EX5001 Designed for Auditorium Use	\$926.00	\$145.07	\$748.20	\$32.73	
Ceiling mount	\$38.99		\$38.99		
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Staff/Teacher Report for School Council

May 27th, 2019

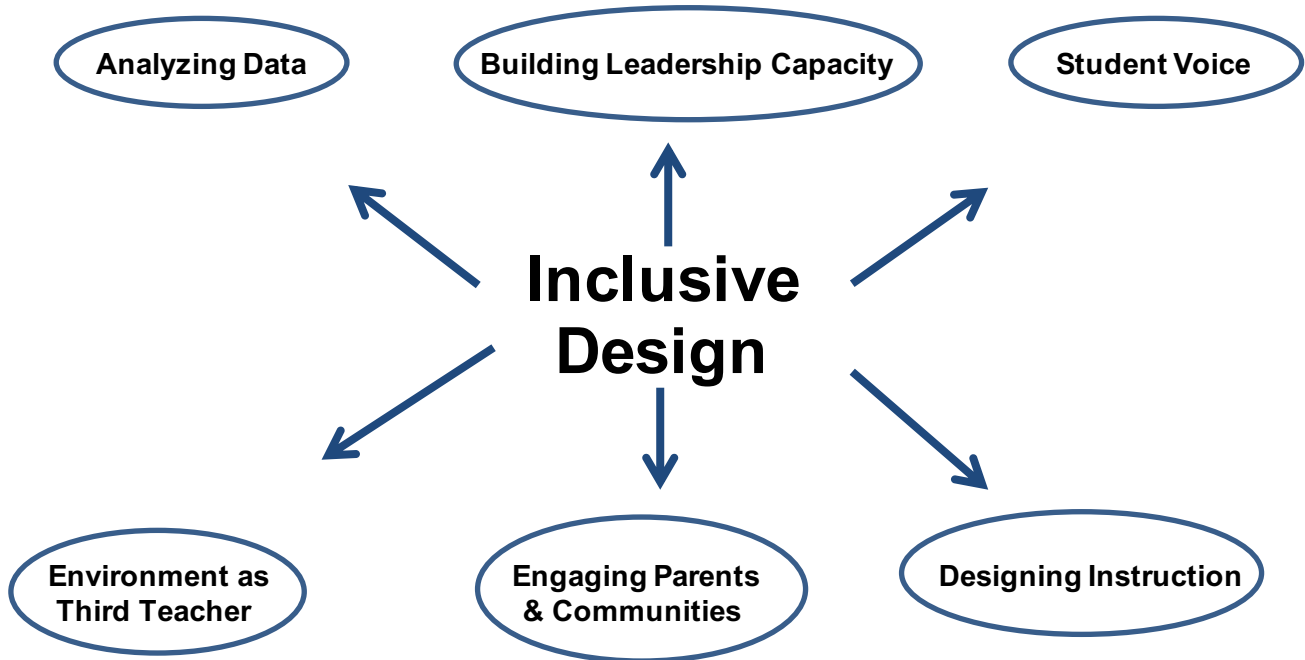
Staff have been busy over the last few weeks wrapping up clubs and making plans for year-end culminating activities and exams.

Wellness/Supporting Students with Anxiety

Staff were treated to a presentation by Charlene Gethons, former TDSB CYW and Psychotherapist who specializes in dealing with children who suffer from anxiety.

Inclusive Design

Staff have wrapped up their planning for the year in terms of Inclusive Design.



Departments/teachers have organized their school and classroom lessons/activities/initiatives under the 3 leading foci of the TDSB; Equity, Wellness and Achievement. The Inclusive Design Framework allows teachers and schools to better understand and reflect on how best to serve and support their student population. Runnymede teachers have had time to reflect on their efforts this year to meet some of their goals and to think about priorities for next year. Teachers were involved in a sharing session where departments communicated their attempts at new strategies and their successes at better engaging and supporting students in the classroom and beyond.