

**Davenport Public School
School Council Meeting
May 3, 2021
Meeting Minutes**

Welcome:

Principal Michelle Radauskas and Jeanette welcomed everyone virtually to the TEAM meeting.
Online Attendance: Michelle, Jeanette, Char, Maaike, Melissa, Aimee, Megan and Cara

Absent: Leanne, Heather

Minutes from last meeting approved by Aimee

Treasurer Report:

Same as last time

School Council Funds = \$56.49

Grade 8 Grad = \$500.00

Family Engagement = \$3,296.40 (Gaga ball pit)

Overall Total = \$3852.95

Approved by Cara

Old Business

Discussed, voted, and approved to use the current funds for the Gaga ball pit for money towards new Chromebooks that are desperately needed. (we had enough people present for Quorum for vote to be approved. After the meeting someone reached out and withdrew their vote, so we need a re-vote via email as meeting didn't have enough people to vote. Jeanette will send out via email.

Looking for someone to lead to the Grade 8 grad committee, no one came forward. Michelle has some ideas for Grade 8 Grad. If we are back in school and out of lock down – one class at a time, no parents/guests, will be filmed to be shown at later date. Looking into finding someone to possibly video grad. Money from Grade 8 grad in treasury could be used possibly. Covid protocols will be followed.

Looking into board or balloons of some sort for a photo backdrop – will have scheduled time for each student and parents/guardians to take photos. If this does not work could be another drive by type grad depending on covid lockdown situation. Remote learners are included.

FlipGive – Michelle said it is approved but donation function must be turned off. Could do a trial run soon but go full tilt in September – Cara can help run.

School Report

1. Remote Learning
 - a. Participation; Do What You Can, When You Can message
 - i. Have lost a couple of families to homeschooling but working with families as much as possible to keep them engaged in remote learning and attached to their class, peers, teacher, etc. at Davenport
 - b. Technology - Still deploying a small number of chromebooks to students and replacing some that have stopped working or are broken. Replacements come from the Board Office, new loaners come from the school.
 - c. Mental Health and Well-Being
 - i. Mental Health Week this week
 - ii. Students, Families- a very big focus right now; stuff sent out via School Messenger to families (Together in the Valley), resources being provided to teachers (from School Mental Health Ontario), continued support by school Social Worker
 - iii. Staff - teacher mental health and wellness; Admin check-ins, Teacher Appreciation Day tomorrow, May 4th.
2. Plans for Next Year
 - a. In-Person - similar to this year with the hopes of Health and Safety measures slowly decreasing and removed
 - b. Full-Remote Learning/In-Person Learning - Full Year Commitment
 - c. Parent Declarations - Must be made online before May 13th
 - d. Balanced Day for Next Year
 - i. Balanced Day was put into place in order to respond to Covid protocols and the need to keep students cohorted on the yard. We are permitted to continue with a balanced day next year provided that the School Council is in agreement. We are being told to plan for next year the way we did for this year with respect to cohorting grades, yard zones, limiting the number of adult contacts in each classroom, etc. Next year, we will need to go through the official process which involves having an information session and voting by the community.
 - e. If you know any families moving to Davenport, please encourage them to start their registration on-line as soon as possible
3. Newsletter and Lost & Found - sent out soon, tonight or tomorrow, via School Messenger
4. WIFI improvements - Three or four access points to be placed outdoors to support outdoor learning and education initiatives
5. Virtual Assemblies - continuing through Google Meets
 - a. April 27th - Conflict Resolution
 - b. May 28th - Conservation
 - c. June 25th - Citizenship
6. Spirit Days - going to keep it simple while doing remote learning - things that the students can easily participate in during the stay at home order, for example, Hat Day on Friday. Spirit Days will be shared with students on morning virtual announcements.
7. Gardens - The front beds and Peace Garden need weeding and the front beds need new mulch
8. Safe and Inclusive Schools Plan – update

No New Business