



Minutes
 CHAPMAN MILLS SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING
Wednesday, March 21stth – 7 p.m. in the school staff room.

Present: Colleen Powe, Howard Martin, Shawn Hocking, Katrina Parker-Smith, Jennifer Earle, Bahaa Sunallah, Marva Major, Nita Tandon , Jasmine Bhatena, Patricia Smith, Amy Ruff, Kelly-Ann Waung, Neil Drimer, Kendra Bonnell

Regrets: Catherine Ghiourelotis, Vijay Muthucumarasamy, Cam Krisciunas, Bimal Vyas, Stephanie Poulton, Luc Poirier

Item	Agenda topic	Presenter
1.	Welcome and Introductions	Nita Jenn
2.	Update from the Principal’s Office <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Teachers encouraging different strategies for math to support students ● Teachers who teach French also encouraging students to practice French in classroom ● Starting staffing process for 18-19: projected enrollment numbers, number of classes → all very tentative until final numbers <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Parents may submit written requests for specific classroom requests relating to critical needs of students, e.g. medical needs ● Several activities being planned to support transition for those going to Cedarview Middle School in Sept 18 ● Bi-annual school climate survey: April 23 – May 11 ● School Website council access <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Board in process of transitioning council websites to school websites ○ Sir Winston, Broadview and Glebe – are all examples of pilot sites ● EQAO – possible date range May 22 to June 4, with more specifics dates TBD 	Marva
3.	Update from the Teacher Rep <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Mme Lynch’s Grade 1 and 2 class is doing a STEM design challenge next week: grade 1s have to build a structure that has a purpose (house of a doll, toy rocket ship) and grade 2s have to use their knowledge of simple machines to create a mechanism to get an Easter egg into a basket which are 30 cm away from one another. Students are coming up with a plan at home and then building and explaining their work at school. <p>Also want to give a big thanks to parent council for their support of technology. It is such an engaging tool to allow students to practice oral communication when learning a new language as well as to create artifacts of their learning. Some of the great apps we use in class are Draw and Tell, ChatterPix and and</p>	Colleen

PicCollage.

1. Using Draw and Tell app: A grade 2 student explains what happens in a book that was read loud in class.
2. Using Draw and Tell app: A grade 1 student created an electronic advertisement to promote how to maintain a healthy lifestyle
3. PicCollage App: A grade 2 student made of collage of objects that roll when discussing various ways how objects move.

- **Grade 2s** used the student fees for Scientists in the School for Simple Machines - was an awesome workshop and the students all really enjoyed it!
- **Grade 2s** will be going to Baxter mid April for an outdoor day learning about Animals and Geocaching (Social Studies link for directions)
- **Grade 3** classes have swim to survive sessions coming up

Sports and Clubs

Volleyball

- Tier 2 boys won gold and Tier 1 boys won silver
- Tier 2 girls played really well and every game was within two points, but they did not place
- Tier 1 girls have their tournament this Friday

LEGO Club

LEGO club is in full swing and very popular amongst all the students. Many parents donated Lego last year and it is being put to good use. Lego creations will start to be left on display in the library.

Stage choir -

Has begun rehearsing for our musical: Giants in the Sky. 60 students from gr 3-6 have committed to our rehearsal schedule and will be performing with the musical! They are an enthusiastic group of talented singers!

Junior Choir -

have been very busy. Since January, we have been diligently learning 5 beautiful choral songs during our regular recess rehearsal. Next week, we will have an extra after school rehearsal so we have time to put harmony and descants into the pieces. We will also take time to have fellowship and celebrate all of our learning so far. On **Apr 11, Jackie Hawley**, an acclaimed children's choral director, will come to work with our singers for a recess rehearsal as we prepare for **ChoralFest**. That will be held on **Apr 19 at Canterbury High school**. There, we will meet with singers from 8 other schools from across the OCDSB - both rural, urban and suburban schools. We will workshop the 5 songs with Jackie Hawley, learning more proper singing techniques and learning fun singing games. A **showcase of all that we have learned will take place from 1-1:45** at Canterbury that afternoon. Parents are encouraged to come and hear the 300 voices as we lift them up in joyful celebration. I am sure that after this session, the choir will find other times to share this beautiful music with our community.

	<p>Forest of Reading program you read one picture book each week for 10 weeks and then the students vote for their favourite. The picture books are cataloged and ready. The program will run for the grade 1 to grade 3s starting the third week of February. There are 10 picture books in the program and you will get a schedule that will tell you what book you should read during what week. You will have one week to read one book and then when you are finished you put that book in the mailbox of the next person on the list (I will give you the name). Someone else will do the same for you, so each Monday you should have a new book in your box to read that week. After the 10 weeks are up, the kids vote for their favorite book out of the 10. plan to run a club for the other programs where students of Grade 3-6 will be able to participate. That will be on a sign up basis and book borrowing will happen in the Library during their scheduled Library time.</p> <p>April 11 – Day of Pink Day of Pink is April 11 and there will be an assembly at 9:00 am. The focus will be to ‘walk a mile in someone else’s shoes’, encouraging students to look at other people’s perspectives in order to promote acceptance, kindness, and anti-bullying. Students are encouraged to wear pink on this day.</p>	
4.	<p>Finances</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Updated Council finances (as of March 28, 2018): \$53,457.59 (Council account balances) - \$50,496.33 (Total committed funds) <hr/> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> \$2,961.26 (available funds) ACTION: Jenn/Nita to follow up with recommendation for spending to Council via email after Cam provides updated balance via email (see above) 	Cam (circulated electronically)
5.	<p>Lunch Program Update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Projected expenses for remainder of year for lunch program is approximately \$18,200 Need more volunteers for pizza day → email sent out last week which generated some volunteers 	Kelly-Ann
6.	<p>Fundraising & Events</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Next movie night: April 13 ACTION: please send suggestions (from ACF film list) to Howard for family-friendly movies by March 25 Will donate enough T-shirts to School to be given away via contests, and attempt to sell remaining Comets clothing at April movie night Motion: Jenn moves to donate 30 swag items to CMPS for Marva to give away 1 per class – seconded by Katrina; all present voted in favour 	Howard
7.	<p>Communications Update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No update today. 	Jasmine

8.	<p>OCASC Update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Trustees passed a motion recently to have more school control over Council funds, but CMPS already does this 	Katrina
9.	<p>Other Business</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● STEAM update on extra-curriculars (from Feb): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Verbal feedback suggested that previous electronic motion on robotics and arts extracurricular programs brought forward by Jasmine needs to be reworded, and thus previous motion is rejected and 2 new separate motions are suggested ○ Motion #1: Nita moves that CMPS Parent Council advertises the Robotics program through social media and the CMPS's email database <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The Ottawa Robotics Academy will run the program independently from CMPS Parent Council and is fully responsible for all program logistics including but not limited to registration and space booking; and ▪ This is not CMPS Parent Council activity. ▪ Motion is seconded by Patricia; all present voted (10) in voted in favour ○ Motion #2: Nita moves that CMPS Parent Council advertises the Arts Activity through social media and the CMPS's email database <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Young Rembrandts will run the program independently from CMPS Parent Council and is fully responsible for all program logistics including but not limited to registration and space booking; and ▪ This is not CMPS Parent Council activity. ▪ Motion is seconded by Neil; all present voted (10) in voted in favour ● Outdoor education space at back of school <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Some maintenance was done last year to manage the overgrowth of weeds/thorns/burrs at the back of school, but they all grew back. ○ Would be beneficial to clear growth so students can use this space ○ ACTION: Katrina to suggest to block a date and time and solicit volunteers from community (including high school volunteers) ● Teacher appreciation event <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Suggested date – June 8th (PD day when teachers are writing report cards) ○ Motion: Amy moves for Council to spend up to \$1000 on meal, drinks and dessert to recognize teachers for teacher appreciation lunch on June 8th; Jenn seconds; all present voted in favour of motion, except Nita who voted against motion ● Walking School Bus update <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Based on recommended factors (e.g. walking path, speeding) our school area is not considered safe enough to be conducive for Walking School 	<p>Jasmine</p> <p>Katrina</p> <p>Amy</p> <p>Nita</p>

	<p>Bus program</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">● PRO Grant<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ ACTION: Jenn to solicit Council and non-Council volunteers to consider writing and applying PRO Grant○ ACTION: Marva to share family yoga information (past PRO grant activity) with Jenn● Family dinner (Giant potluck) in place of Spring Fair<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Tentative date: June 21 (National Aboriginal Day)○ Possible Indigenous Dance○ Neil and Kendra to be added to WhatsApp working group○ ACTION: Katrina to verify that Tables are available to be rented from Board○ ACTION: Jenn to email Heather for availability of gym○ ACTION: Jasmine so send out notice to indicate Spring Fair is not happening and instead a Family Dinner is planned (once availability of gym for June 21 is confirmed and tables are available)	<p>Jenn</p> <p>Katrina/Jenn</p>
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Next meeting: April 18, 2018