

Minutes CHAPMAN MILLS SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING

Wednesday, January 17th – 7 p.m. in the school staff room.

<u>Present:</u>, Colleen Powe, Shawn Hocking, Katrina Parker-Smith, Jennifer Earle, Neil Drimer, Kelly-Ann Waung, Marva Major, Andrew Goldstein, Catherine Ghioureliotis, Kendra Bonnell, Jasmine Bathena, Amy Ruff, Nita Tandon, Patricia Smith

<u>Regrets:</u>, Vijay Muthucumarasamy, Luc Poirier, Stephanie Poulton, Howard Martin, Bahaa Sunallah, Cam Krisciunas

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1.	Welcome and Introductions	Nita Tandon
	Meeting commenced at 7:08pm	
	Request to modify previous minutes to reflect Catherine Ghioureliotis was	
	present at Dec Council meeting; otherwise Dec minutes approved	
2.	Update from the Principal's Office	Marva Major
	Challenge for every member to bring a new person to future Council meeting	
	Refer to January newsletter for other updates	
	• Kindergarden info night: Jan 18 (6-7pm) → everyone is encouraged to register	
	ASAP to help determine correct staffing	
	 Since January 2018, CMPS welcomed 19 new children to school (current 	
	enrolment ~ 700 students)	
	 Student transfer dates and middle immersion dates are out 	
	 Presentation for "<u>School Cash Online</u>" (OCDSB solution to pay for school 	
	activities, etc online) $ ightarrow$ to start in February	
	 Adopted across OCDSB 	
	 For school fees, fundraising, class trips, milk program, lunch program 	
	etc	
	 Heather would create activity in the system 	
	 Lots of benefits (e.g. prevents loss of cash; less bookkeeping; more 	
	efficient; more environmentally friendly; can load \$ into eWallet or via	
	credit cards for future use)	
	 Option will remain to pay by cash or cheque as well 	
	 3% handling fees added to all items to ensure cost neutral 	
	 Parents get an email when an item is available to purchase 	
	 Won't shift to using for lunch program until next school year 	
	 Info will be sent to parents shortly 	
	• ACTION – Marva: find out if multiple logins for family, e.g. where	
	parents don't live together	Shawn Hocking
	Belonging survey feedback	

5.	Lunch Program Update	Kelly-Ann
	ACTION: Cam to circulate updated financial report	
	ACTION: To determine how to spend \$500 from PRO grant	
	PRO grant + \$500 – that goes to all parent councils)	
- •	• Received grant cheque for \$1350 for Sneaky Math expenses (including \$850 for	
4.	Finances	Nita for Cam
	School and parents will be welcome to come hear the "showcase" of the 300+ voices at the end of our workshop. April 19, 9:30 - 2 pm. Showcase from 1:15-2 pm.	
	celebrate choral singing and making music. This year, we will be at Canterbury High	
	get together to work with a renowned Children's Choral Director - Jackie Hawley - as we	
	that will happen at the end of April. ChoralFest is a day where choirs across the OCDSB	
	opportunity to do so after the holiday. They are beginning to prepare for ChoralFest	
	Junior Choir: Continuing for grades 4-6. Any new students who wanted to join had the	
	Musical Rehearsals are taking place every Tuesday and Thursday mornings for the cast who was chosen prior to the holidays. The cast is made up of 35 Grade 4-6 students.	
	Grade 4, 5, and 6 Art Club is continuing during recess	
	Grade 3 - Badminton Club will be starting this Friday for Grade 3 students	
	Food Drive - collected about 80 boxes of food for the Barrhaven Food Cupboard that was picked up last Friday	
	Junior Students - Tuesday, February 23rd: Inuit presentation on Tools, Community, Transportation, Housing, Cultural Activities/Traditions, and Inuit Games	
	will be used for this - Thank you again!	
	money that was given by council for use by students for a unique learning opportunity	
	February 1st (French Immersion students) and February 5th (English students). The	
	Grade 4s - will be doing a Pulleys and Gears Scientists in the School workshop on	
	out of different materials; and finishing off with playing some Inuit games outside.	
	about Inukshuks; life in present-day Iqaluit compared to Ottawa; igloos, making them	
	that day, the date for travelling to the Arctic will be changed. They will also be learning	
	have children from a Native community who are learning how to do throat singing talk to the kids and teach them some of the techniques. If the children are unable to come	
	presentation on Inuit in Canada. On Thursday, they will travel to the Arctic. Hoping to	
	Grade 2s - Next Tuesday, the Ottawa Inuit Children's Centre is coming to do a	
5.	Update from the Teacher Rep	Colleen Powe
3.	• ACTION: all to email feedback to SHAWN with suggestions by Jan 20	
	• Feedback: 1 form per family vs. 1 form per child	
	parents	
	 Still trying to determine strategies to address language barriers of 	
	 "Our Schools" 2016-17 survey showed that CMPS rated lower than Canadian and OCDSB average on "positive sense of belonging" 	

	 Order forms went out last week and are due Feb 1 Included a blurb on what the money raised is for and that it will go towards field trips No feedback received on hot dog cancellations 	Waung
6.	 Fundraising & Events Movie night Feb 2 → Smurfs (Lost Village) – all are ok with this, but is not a prerelease so may get a lower turnout Comet clothing: all are ok to sell at movie night MOTION: Jenn moves that \$1500 from council funds go towards purchasing a hoodie in each size, and as many T-shirts that can be purchased with remaining funds; Catherine seconds; all voted in favour Spring Fair – not considered a fundraising event but school belonging event; requires a lot of work and manpower ACTION: Jenn to craft a "Save the Spring Fair" email to try to recruit parents to form a working group and meet on a specific date in next 2 weeks; will promote at movie night 	Nita for Howard
7.	 Communications Update Solicitation emails to Council account to be usually ignored OCDSB wireless access is available for free to all parents and staff in all schools: Network: OCDSB guest Username: wirelessnet Password: welcome Facebook account: Council has an organizational account, not a business account. ACTION: Marva will look into whether someone Jasmine can have control over council tab on School website 	Jasmine Bhathena
8.	 OCASC Update No meeting in Dec Meeting tomorrow night → a lot of agenda on making changes to "gifted program" Suggestions for 'Chalk it Up':	Katrina Parker-Smith
9.	 Other Business School parking lot traffic: traffic lights will be turned on for first time tomorrow. No turn right on red (Learnington to Chapman Mills) Traffic is better this year, but a handful of people still break rules Walking school buses – we don't have them but would be very helpful, but concern over no crossing guard on Paul Metivier ACTION: Nita to see if we can bring OSTA in to discuss walking school bus Extra-curricular activities/after school club: Marva: Extra-curricular activities on school property →Afterschool extracurricular activities require a staff member to be present (during reheal baurs, o g, EDD) or can go through Community Use of Schools if 	Nita Jasmine
	 school hours, e.g. EDP) or can go through Community Use of Schools if afterhours Jasmine discussed idea of hosting extra-curricular activites in school during school hours, e.g. EDP 	

 Marva: School can't support during EDP or lunch; but encourage parents to apply for afterhours using Community Use of Schools Suggestion: Jasmine to do a pilot afterhours using Community Use of Schools, but CMPS ok to help promote 	
Meeting adjourned 9:07pm	

Next meeting: February 21