

**Clinton Junior Public School
School Council Minutes**

Meeting Date	October 26, 2020	
Start/End Time	18:30 – 20:00	
Minutes Approved		
Attendees – Elected and Appointed Members	TK, JD, SP, NA, KM, SM, NL Regrets:	
Attendees	See Sched B	
Attendees – Staff & Administration	SA, RC, KH	

We acknowledge We are hosted on the land of the Mississaugas of the Credit, the Anishnabeg, The Haundenosaunee, the Chippewa, and the Wendat Peoples. We also recognize the enduring presence of all First Nations, Métis and Inuit Peoples.

1. Intro and Welcome

Chair TK welcomes all and outlines the agenda.

- Wish list submission primary focus of the meeting
- One hour for allocation of wish list
- Review of previous processes and how wish list allocation proceeds
- Requests continue throughout the year; however primary allocation occurs through the year. This enables rankings of priorities
- Allocation lumped in categories
 - o A list – Current funding out of the allocation
 - o B List – future funding (no current resources)
 - Item that may be for consideration / investigation later down the road
- Restrictions on fund raising
 - o No pizza lunch
 - o No in person fund raising
 - o Online fundraising that is available:
 - Grant requests – foundations and corporations
 - Open to any other suggestions
- Link has been provided on Council website and Meet broadcast to show live document for funding allocation for participants

2. Review and Discussion of Wish List Items

- Reference to Wish List Appended at Schedule A Item Numbers
- Introduction to Items:

Primary Division:

- 1 → TK suggests and consensus to reach out to community for provision of these items
- 2 → Outdoor Storage:
 - KH: Require a few storage units that can be put throughout the yard for easy access by the teachers. Do not know precise product, but similar to storage for outdoor storage
 - JD: Question – are these permanent or temporary?
 - KH: We can rent these but must be through TDSB and therefore limited to what we can access. Ideally require something somewhat smaller than
 - SA: TDSB may not allow for external rental company on school grounds. To inquire.
- 3 → Learning Tools
 - KH: Sets of outdoor material so each class can get their own set. Ideally would allow for easier cleaning:
 - Basketball, nets, soccer balls, sleds, shovels
 - KD / DD areas: plexiglass sheets, mud kitchen (play kitchen for imaginative play), etc.
 - Gardening materials
 - Dry erase board for instruction for teacher, and each child to have individual dry erase boards.
 - KD specifically = mobila sets
 - TK: would each child require their own item
 - KH: yes, much easier for cleaning purposes
- 4 → Apple TV for each classroom (only a few more required for each classroom)
 - TK: Apple TV → does this need to be from TDSB?
 - SA → ideally yes, as this allows for servicing
 - TK → there is a technology section, which does have a longer lead time. Possible for grant writing. TK to circle back to parent who was writing grants last year.
 - SA: This is about replenishing tech carts that we have. This is not intended to be lent out to students or for remote learning.

Junior Division:

- 5 → As articulated in Wish List
- 6 → Anti-racism presentation for each class
 - Not asking for Council to provide total, cost sharing through classes, parents and Council
- 7 → Relates to incidental costs for each class for items not covered by TDSB (instead of teachers covering this amount).
 - TK: Typically voted on first. Proposes \$100 / classroom now and \$100 to be funded later if monies allow
 - KM: Re item #1 - Can we go out to community to determine what can be raised through the community
 - TK: We have done this previously without success
 - KM: Might be beneficial to have specific requests

[Aside: Discussion Regarding Previous Years' Funding versus Current Year:

- TK: Previous years we have raised appx: \$60k / year
 - \$30k from pizza lunches
 - \$20k from fall fair and concerts
 - BUT – much was lost due to covid last year
 - Appx \$30 – 40k was raised last year
 - Typically Council allocates about \$25k during the wish list meeting]

Wish List Item Discussion (Continued)

- 8 → Friends of Clinton
 - Request for \$1500
 - DT:
 - Program in place now includes pre recorded videos, where coordinator records three videos per age group for the year (with potentially more).
 - Survey sent to teachers to determine best way to tailor this program
 - Funds are for supporting the programs:
 - Art kits to support the videos
 - Guest artist
 - Other supplies
 - Currently have \$1500 currently and requesting an additional \$1500
- 9 → Gym (Phys Ed Program)
 - Request for \$400 for two sets of skipping ropes and racks
- 10 → Library
 - TK: Books and library are closed given Covid
 - SA: library does not have circulation in the same way as in previous years due to quarantining.
 - General consensus that there is little value in funding library activities given the above
- 11 → Music Program
 - Restrictions exist for typical music sets. Request for 34 sets of drum sticks.
- 12 → STEAM PROGRAM AND ROOM
 - SA: room is closed. However, STEAM is being incorporated into each classroom
 - Therefore no STEAM room specific funding
- 13 → School groups
 - SA: Likely not occurring this year given Covid
 - General consensus that there is little value in funding library activities given the above
- 13 → Special Education Programs
 - DD Team: Sensory steppers and stones which can be used indoor or outdoors (see Wish List for specific items requested)
 - DD Outdoor Education: see Wish List for specific items requested
- 14 → Outdoor Education
 - Play equipment in the newly constructed area (see Wish List for specific items requested)
 - Painted games in the schoolyard, which would be a TDSB request (SA will follow up with TDSB on these items, to discuss logistics with Council)
 - KD area: TK – are there games painted on the pavement?

- SA: daycare started discussion with respect to revamping this area, including a project that had started but then ended. SA to connect with Maria and Suzanna on status of that project
- 15, 15, 17 → Council Grants:
 - See Wish List for specific items requested
 - Grad dinner is now a grad acknowledgement (last year was a shirt with all grad students)
 - Photo – options:
 - SA: spoke about bringing students back for this year, which is prohibited on this year
 - TK: some virtual classes were enabling emojis that are then put together (along with teachers) May be option for this year, or last year if possible
 - SA: tshirts were very well received so photo may not be necessary.
 - KM volunteers to make new ones for this year
 - Staff Appreciation
 - Historically this is a lunch with food purchased by Council
 - \$400 requested for this year
- 18 → Community Support Fund
 - Allocated an amount to provide financial support for activities that could not otherwise participate
 - This may be as simple as masks or outdoor learning
 - Request for \$1000
- 19 → LGBTQ+ Resources
 - Parent request (without cost) request for promotion of gender diversity, Black and Indigenous learning. Promoting safe space. See Wish List item for full description.
- 20 → Reading request
 - RAZ reading of \$100 / class (unspecified for what classes, but assumption for one teacher's class)
- 21 → Outdoor Education
 - Outdoor mics for the teachers so teachers do not have to yell
 - Allocation already provided for some teachers
 - SA: no current requests from teachers but a request will be made
 - KH: Ms Scarfo and Ms Best hoping for speakers
 - \$300 requested for this amount
- 22 → Indoor movement
 - Stationary bike in a classroom (No cost associated with request)
 - SA: likely do not have physical space for this type of item. May not be feasible at this time.
- 23 → Empathy and Failure Toys
 - Carry over from last year (unable to fund)
 - \$600 cost (\$300 / toy) geared towards 1) empathy and 2) failure
 - Problematic right now because of restriction on sharing toys.
- 24 → Indigenous Learning

- Programs for promotion of Indigenous learning and culture
- \$500 allocation
- KM: Request for plantings for new planters / seeds etc.
- Revisit Existing B List in winter to determine how fund raising is working

DISCUSSION FOLLOWS REGARDING ALLOCATION OF FUNDS. SEE SPECIFIC FUNDING OF A LSIT AND B LIST ON WISH LIST SCHEDULE, ATTACHED.

3) Concluding Discussion

- GM: Question re Fundraising: How can people give money to TDSB so funds are allocated to Council
 - TK: Four Options
 - Direct through TDSB
 - Provision of tax receipt
 - Donor notes specific allocation to Council on TDSB website
 - Council does not see funds but works with administration for allocation
 - Artsmart / Friends of Clinton
 - Tax receipt available
 - Directly to Council
 - No tax receipt available
 - Workplace or through United Way campaign (with a tax receipt)
 - Employee giving programs are another means of providing funds
 - TK: Agrees to deliver articulating these option
- TK: In addition to Council funds, historically apx: \$2000 comes from TDSB directly
 - JD: Have we been provided with the \$2000 budget allocation?
 - SA: Just issued now and will be disclosing precise amount right now
- SA: Request to have this list issued shortly so teachers can start allocating this
 - Understanding that there is a reduction of monies from school budget this year
 - Historically there was a technology allocation, which is not taking place this year
- JD: Any update on the tenting programs, and there is lobbying ongoing with respect to this issue
 - Kids are having fun in the cold, wet weather despite the circumstances
 - SA: now must prepare for the next season, and there has been a lot of support for this. Outdoor recess has not been an issue for complaint. Kids are very accommodative to the situation.
 - TK: Do we know if all kids are prepared for colder weather, should be remind parents about the network of support for warmer clothing
 - SA: we are aware of some families and there will be support provided for this. Mental health and well being committee met this week to discuss inventory of extra socks and related items so kids have it at the building.
 - TK: sufficient masks / PPE
 - To date there have been ample supply of masks

TAKEAWAYS:

- Schedule follow up, Wish List part II meeting in February
- Council to email community on how to donate to the school
- Council to email community list of items still needed

Meeting Adjourns 8:00 p.m.

NEXT MEETING: November 11, 2020 at 6:00pm - VIRTUAL

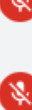

SCHEDULE A: WISH LIST

See Separate Excel Document



SCHEDULE B: ATTENDEE LIST

People (15)



Chat





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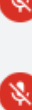

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