

**Clinton Junior Public School
School Council Minutes**

Meeting Date	Feb 13, 2020	
Start/End Time	18:10 – 19:10	
Minutes Approved		
Attendees – Elected and Appointed Members	TK, JD, SP Regrets: SH, NL, KM,	
Attendees	NS, SP, BA, CT, GA, CB, RS, DS, DS, JW, NG	
Attendees – Staff & Administration	SA, PR	

Upcoming Events and Meetings	
<p><u>2019 – 2020 School Council Meetings</u></p> <p><i>NOTE – remaining council meetings are tentative, due to job action. If the meeting falls on a strike day, the meeting will be rescheduled.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tues March 31, 2020 • April 23, 2020 • May 21, 2020 • June 23, 2020 	<p>Come to School Council meetings to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improve the education experience of our school's children • Provide input and enhance school system accountability • Learn more about what's going on
<p>2019-2020 School Council Events</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pancake Day – Tues Mar 3, 2020 • Online Auction – Mar 23-31, 2020 • Clinton Rocks – Thurs May 7, 2020 (pending labour action) • Spring Fair – Sat May 30, 2020 (pending labour action) 	
Action Items	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. School Council will continue to promote petition for speed humps along Manning Ave. Parents are asked to promote in community. 2. Council will follow up with city in 3wks to check status of parking sign changes on Manning and Clinton 3. Council to post TDSB healthy eating guidelines to website for parent reference (https://www.tdsb.on.ca/Elementary-School/Supporting-You/Nutrition & http://www.edu.gov.on.ca/extra/eng/ppm/150.html) 4. Look into holding trivia night off-site and other methods of raising money given limitations in place during labour action 	

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none">5. Continue to investigate alternative fund-raising lunch options6. Requests for donations for online auction fundraising |
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1. Intro and Welcome

Chairs TK and JD welcome all and outline the agenda.

2. Approve Last Meeting Minutes

Chair TK asks attendees to review minutes of January 21, 2020

Motion to approve minutes of January 21, 2020 with financial statements attached

Motion: SP

Seconded: JD

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3. Co-Chair's Report

Co-Chair TK delivers a report from the Co-Chairs.

- Street safety update
 - Speed bump petition for Manning still 20 signatures short, needs signatures from residents of Manning St
 - Request to ask anyone who knows people on Manning between College and Harbord to sign the petition
- Parking signage update
 - Manning side just needs a sign change, signs complete, city needs to install them
 - Clinton side, extended parking means location of signs has to change, that has now been done, expect some action in 3wks from the city
- Council succession
 - Looking for new members in the Spring for next year
 - Materials, explaining Council, to go home with new kindergarten registrations
- Upcoming events and fundraisers
 - New guidelines provided by TDSB have restricted council events that can be run during the labour action
 - Council cannot hold events on school grounds out of school hours
 - All out of hours events need to be run off-site and fundraising cannot occur under the council banner
 - Council meetings can go forward as long as they do not conflict with strike days

- Online Auction items being solicited and planning is in progress to go live March 23rd
- Trivia night cancelled due to labour action
- Clinton Rocks and Spring Fair events will have to be cancelled if labour dispute extends into May
- Question - can hold functions off-site e.g. rent a hall and hold trivia night? Council to investigate the cost and practicality of doing this
- Council to consider other fundraising options off-site along with grant applications
- Reminder of pancake day March 3rd Tuesday
- Supplementary math programs
 - Good support for from admin and parents for an extra-curricular math program at Clinton
 - Council have reached out to a number of potential providers for extra-curricular programming. Narrowed to two likely tutoring candidates and further work required to create a workable program, accessible to as many students as possible. Council to provide funds to supplement cost of program.
 - Ongoing work to bring JUMP math to Clinton as part of/or supplemental to current TDSB curriculum
- Art Smart
 - Current Art Room Coordinator Liz Pead, at the school 2-3 days. Just finished a module on crafting & stitching, next module will be "avant garde".
 - LP has recently completed a display board outside the office, check it out
 - Parents can volunteer in the Art Room, check in with your child's homeroom teacher
 - LP has expressed interest in continuing the ARC role for 2020-21
 - Finances - big fundraiser is the big ask at start of year, plus 2 pizza fundraisers. Recently parent SJS & RBC grant have been a boost. Council also supports historically. Typically cost \$13k to run the program for the year. This year will be less because LP has been sourcing free/reused materials. We are in good position but will miss the concert fundraisers.
- Hot lunch program
 - Hot dog day was a success from a sales and student enjoyment perspective. Feedback from parents was generally very positive because it was so popular with the students. But will not continue on a regular basis due to parent push back on meeting the TDSB healthy food requirements. Hold as a "special event" only
 - Council to post TDSB healthy food requirements in response to parent request
 - One parent suggested Rose Reisman, council will investigate
 - Lunch Lady looks like best possibility from a health and fundraising perspective, sushi and subway also to be investigated

4. Treasurer's Report

Treasurer SP delivers a treasurer's report (as attached).

- Teachers have been pre-occupied with labour actions so haven't been focused on spending council allocated budget
- School time events in day guaranteed to May 21st, but not beyond. Finances will be affected if pizza days cannot be held post this date
- \$1500 we can use for B-list, but not allocating anything until main wish list items are spent

5. Ward Report

Parent NL delivers a ward report.

- Ward meeting occurred at same time as council meeting – topic was on Mental Health & School Anxiety - if the presentation is available, we will circulate
- Tuesday, April 21 - Ask Me Anything – hosted by TDSB Director John Malloy: A Joint Ward Forum w/Ward 7 Trustee Robin Pilkey & Ward 9 Trustee Stephanie Donaldson, @ Bloor Collegiate Institute, 1141 Bloor St.
- If you haven't, you can sign up for Ward notices from our trustee Chris Moise (on his website)

6. Principal's Report

Principal SA delivers a monthly report

- Labour actions
 - Teachers are very thankful that the parents at Clinton are so supportive and turn up to show that support on strike days
 - Morale down for teachers, difficult to maintain momentum, but doing the best they can given the uncertain circumstances
- Projections for 2020
 - Sonia has received the Clinton student registration projections for 2020
 - Historically kindergarten numbers have been a problem, this year is no exception. The board uses an average of last 5yrs to forecast, with current projection of 72 JK/SK students, which is problematic because we need 74 to justify 3 full-time ECE's. We currently have enrolment totalling 76 students so Sonia will contact the planner and advocate for an increase in projections based on the actual enrolment figures
 - Sonia will let council know if further advocacy action is required before final allocations at the end of Feb
 - Sonia to provide an update next council meeting
- Kindy Playscape
 - Amazing news! The daycare (Maria) have offered to access funding to upgrade the Western kindergarten/daycare playscape, work to be done over the summer if the daycare can access the funding
- Update on Windows and School Yard
 - Contractors were on site at the school last week measuring windows
 - Going to start replacements in March break, starting a mock window in room 103 to make sure they have the right windows
 - Designer going to look into whether we can have two contractors on site at the same time, i.e. window crew and school yard upgrade and/or kindergarten play area upgrade crews
 - Discussion around drainage problems in the play ground. Parents questioning current design as the bitumen area fills regularly with large puddles during rain or snow melt. Sonia to review with school yard contractors, will this be fixed on completion of construction in the Spring?
- Update on Scheduled performances
 - Anti-bullying presentation scheduled for next Tuesday has been cancelled due to uncertainty around labour action
 - Teachers want people in classes as much as possible given the number of days out of school
 - Bernstein bears still going forward at this stage
- Parent survey
 - Sonia very pleased with feedback provided via parent survey and the number of parents that participated

- Request that future surveys be made available to parents who don't have access to technology or speak English. Council will look for options to connect with these parents
- Commented on alignment in parent interest and staff interest in wanting to see improvement in academics – particularly in math
- Also happy with the alignment between parents, staff and admin on the importance of student well-being and sensory programs
- No questions from the floor for Sonia or Peter in regards to the survey

7. **Other Business**

- Refer to December agenda

Meeting Adjourns 7.08pm.

FOLLOWING MEETING – A Parent Only Discussion to review the results of the parent survey.

NEXT MEETING IS March 31, 2020 in the HSP Room at 6:10 PM.