

# Maple Ridge Public School School Community Council Minutes

**Monday June 5, 2023**

**Present:** Stephanie Price (Principal), Kate Skelly (Vice-Principal), Nadine McKoy, Lauren Irwin, Erin Smith, Cheryl McKittrick, Rob Maggs, Paige Solakis, Sandrine Batonga-Danteu, Irene Thomaidis, Sharon Gomez, Jennifer Cooke, Pamela Saunders, Jacquie Chipman, Effie Vidinovski, Gillian P, Kelly Williams, Kate Boyer, Mel McGill, Maria Ovtacharenko, Paula Muir-Williams

**Absent:** N/A

**Regrets:** N/A

Item	Notes	Action
<b>1. Welcome &amp; Intros</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Welcome and introductions</li><li>• Land Acknowledgement &amp; Indigenous Inherent Rights and Human Rights and Equity Statement</li></ul>	
<b>2. Changes to the Agenda</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• No changes noted to the Agenda</li></ul>	
<b>3. Code of Ethics</b>	<p><b>All SCC members shall:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Work in partnership with school administration to support school community</li><li>• Work within the guidelines as outlined by Board Policy and Procedures</li><li>• Respect the rights and opinions of all members of the school community</li><li>• Encourage, support, and value individual contributions</li><li>• Support and apply an equitable decision making process</li><li>• Focus on whole-community interest rather than a single issue</li><li>• Respect and apply the principles of confidentiality and privacy</li><li>• Be guided by principles of honesty, integrity, truth, and fairness</li><li>• Practice exemplary ethical practices with all members of the school community</li><li>• School community council members should adhere to clearly defined roles in order to maintain positive and productive discussions. This includes:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Honouring the voice of all stakeholders</li><li>• Recognizing the advisory role of SCC</li></ul></li></ul>	
<b>Special Announcement:</b>	<p>Welcome to Nadine McKoy, our new incoming VP!</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Nadine comes to us from dual track John Dryden PS in Whitby</li></ul>	

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	Thank you to Kate Skelly for all of your hard work and we wish you all the very best as you move on to be closer to home and to Brooklin Village PS	
<b>4. Approval of Meeting Minutes</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>April 17, 2023</li> </ul>	Moved: Irene Seconded: Jen
<b>5. Principal's Report – Stephanie Price/Kate Skelly</b>	<p><b><u>Teaching &amp; Learning &amp; Happening Around the School/Extra-Curricular Activities</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Learning about Ramadan &amp; Eid celebrations</li> <li>Grade 1 Parent Presentations talking about their jobs</li> <li>Earth Day – art out of nature!</li> <li>Indigenous Wellbeing Activities</li> <li>Spring Concerts for Primary &amp; Intermediates for the first time in 3.5 years; thank you Mme. Sadeek for taking on the task of giving all of our students a chance to shine!</li> <li>Sculptures &amp; Cultural Presentations</li> <li>Learning about what brings us joy?</li> <li>Sewing Studio was a big hit</li> <li>Wellness Challenges around the school</li> <li>Baby chicks, geese, ducks, caterpillars, tadpoles and frogs growing at MRPS</li> <li>International Family Day</li> <li>Ozobots – Intro to coding in Grades 7&amp;8</li> <li>Coding in Grade 3 with Mr. Gasmallah's class</li> <li>Student led clubs everywhere!</li> <li>Dance Crew at the Dance Competition</li> <li>Marathon Club</li> <li>Ballroom Dancing</li> <li>Intermediate Students went to the Cypher Conference with Ms. Davidson &amp; Mr. Thomas</li> <li>Intermediate soccer boys won the championship on Saturday June 3<sup>rd</sup></li> </ul> <p><b><u>Facilities, Health and Safety</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Work will be done on the stone walls in between the building and portables</li> <li>Mats in all primary classes</li> <li>3 fire drills completed</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Follow Up on Previous Items</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Music Grant Items purchased: 5 refurbished trumpets, 1 refurbished clarinet, 1 refurbished flute, 1 refurbished alto sax, 1 refurbished trombone, instrument repairs &amp; method books</li> </ul>	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Math App for Staff</li> <li>• Recess Equipment purchased; 2 size appropriate soccer balls per homeroom, 1 size appropriate basketball per JR and INT homeroom, utility balls, hula hoops and skipping ropes available as well</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Volunteer of Distinction</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Congratulations to Jen Cooke!</li> <li>• Ceremony on October 24 at 7 pm to be held at Sinclair SS</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Wish List Items</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• UFLI Foundations – Kindergarten to Grade 4 teachers have been receiving PD on Structured Literacy using UFLI Resource - \$1,154.48</li> <li>• PRO Grant Event needs a top up - \$500</li> <li>• French Structured Literacy Books - \$2,920.11</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Upcoming</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Pride Month &amp; National Indigenous Histories Month</li> <li>• EQAO continuing this week</li> <li>• Track &amp; Field Regionals</li> <li>• Intermediates to Pine Ridge to see "Mean Girls" production – Jun 6</li> <li>• Track &amp; Field Finals - Jun 14</li> <li>• Abilities Meet - Jun 14</li> <li>• Grade 8 Grad Trip – Jun 23</li> <li>• Grade 8 Grad Jun 26</li> <li>• Last Day of School - Jun 29</li> <li>• PA Day - Jun 30</li> </ul>	
<b>6.Treasurer's Report</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Approximate cash position of \$3,900 with \$2,100 to be expensed to Grade 8 Grad &amp; Teacher Allocations</li> <li>• Proposal to allocate \$250.00 to PRO Grant top up, \$577.24 to UFLI Literacy &amp; \$1,460.10 to French Literacy Books</li> </ul>	<p>Treasurer's Report Moved: Pam Seconded: Irene</p> <p>\$2,100 to be expensed to Grade 8 Grad &amp; Teacher Allocations Moved: Cheryl Seconded: Jen</p> <p>\$2,287.34 in total to be applied to Wish List</p>

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		Moved: Pam Seconded: Kelly
<b>7. Items for Discussion/ Comments &amp; Questions</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The school population is expected to be the same for next year, but we are going to be less one portable</li> <li>Cheryl &amp; Jacquie are graduating and moving on from MRPS SCC; Good bye ladies; you will both be missed!</li> <li>Epicure Meal Kits for fundraising next year?</li> </ul>	
<b>8. Sub-Committee Reports</b>	<p><b><u>Fundraising</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Pizza Day is a generally a success!</li> <li>Change from Monday to another day of the week?</li> <li>Offer cheese pizza only to simplify?</li> <li>More volunteers are always needed to be runners</li> <li>The 2 parent volunteer teams seem to be working well</li> <li>Can the leftovers be donated? Paige has graciously volunteered to look into that</li> <li>Vandermeer Nursery - Pollinator Kit has been delivered to the school</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Grant Writing</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Reported above; thank you to Yves &amp; Team for taking this on</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Healthy Action Team/Wellness Club</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Reported above and done for the year; thanks to Jen for another great year</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Parent Engagement</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Nothing to report</li> <li>Have a great summer!</li> </ul>	
<b>9. Set Meeting Dates for 2022-2023</b>		
<b>10. Request to Adjourn Meeting</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Meeting adjourned at 7:59 pm</li> </ul>	Moved: Cheryl Seconded: Pam