

## **Monday September 30, 2019**

**Present:** Jonathan Ross (Principal), Stephanie Price (Vice Principal), Jessica Littlefair (Teacher-Librarian), Lauren Irwin, Penny Senior, Heather Smyth, Erin Smith, Heer Pasha, Crystal Leila, Naomi OmarAli, Jenny Callaghan, Kelly Williams, Finhas Jhaveri, Peter J. Ackie, Melanie McGill-Manchulenko, Jacqueline Chipman, Cheryl McKittrick, Kate Boyer, Effie Vidinovski, Jennifer Cooke, Sharon Gomes, Dasey Wangkhang Silva, Sandeep Kakan, Pamela Saunders, Utah Payne

**Regrets:** Janice Hummel

**Absent:** N/A

### **1. WELCOME and INTRODUCTIONS**

- Jonathan welcomed all to the first meeting of the year and everyone introduced themselves. Welcome to all faces, new and old (but still incredibly, young-looking old)

### **2. Nominations for SCC**

- a. Chair: Peter Ackie
- b. Vice-Chairs: Crystal Leila and Sandeep Kakan
- c. Secretary: Effie Vidinovski
- d. Treasurer: Erin Smith

### **3. Approval of Meeting Minutes June 3, 2019**

Motion to approve; Erin Smith  
Seconded; Crystal Leila

Kate suggested Oliver's Labels instead of Mabel's Labels: Effie will look into it

### **4. Principal's Report – Jonathan Ross**

#### *a. Land Acknowledgement*

#### *b. Introduce New Staff*

- Ms. Crawford
- Mme. McElwain
- Mme. Chartier
- Mme. Monsour
- Mrs. Lubarovski
- Mr. Gasmallah
- Mrs. Murphy
- Ms. Murphy
- Mr. Johnson
- Mr. Kelly- custodian
- Matt – evening custodian

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c. Sports and Clubs

- Cross Country
- Intermediate Volleyball
- Junior Soccer
- Eco Club
- Garden Club
- Healthy Action Team to start in October
- Student Council (SLAM)
- WE Day
- Terry Fox Run
- Grade 4s attended the Watershed Festival

d. Wildcat Training Camp

- Being Respectful
- Staying Safe
- Building a Positive Environment
- Showing Pride in Our School
- Being a Good Learner
- Following Expectations
- Being a Friend & Solving Problems

e. Character Education

- Each month an assembly to celebrate achievement in that month's character trait
- Parents will be informed if student is winning an award/certificate
- September's Trait is Respect
- October's Trait is Teamwork (because there is no "I" in team!)

f. Facilities, Health & Safety

- Portables (1 new this year for a grand total of 9)
- Parking Lot (new spots added and accessibility spots)
- Air Conditioning project (expected to be up and running in time for the spring)
- Fire drills (a drill was completed today and the school was clear in about 2 minutes)

g. Teaching & Learning

- Data Analysis in Literacy and Numeracy – areas of strength and need
- Numeracy Instructional Strategies training, PD focus for staff
- Diagnostic assessments in all classes
- Development of school plan – focus on literacy, numeracy, well-being, equity and inclusion, and leveraging digital

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## h. Keys to Success at Maple Ridge PS

1. Descriptive feedback (provide exemplar, success criteria, use of assessment tools)
2. Guided practice (diagnostic, differentiated, flexible groups)
3. Inquiry (student centered classroom and engaging all students)

## i. EQAO Results

- Grade 3:
  - a. Reading 76% (at par with Board & Province levels)
  - b. Writing 59% (below Board & Province levels)
  - c. Math 77% (above Board & Province levels)
- Grade 6:
  - a. Reading 92% (above Board & Province levels)
  - b. Writing 92% (above Board & Province levels)
  - c. Math 59% (above Board and Province levels)
- Strategies for this year: feedback, mock assessments, embed EQAO style questions in all grades, PRIME Diagnostic Assessments, focus groups, facilitator, review of instructional practices to meet the needs of the student
- Side Note: Mr. Ford is cutting everything under the sun except the EQAO? Really?!?!?

## j. Technology

- Currently iPads in K and Gr. 1, Chromebook carts Gr. 2-6
- 1:1 Chromebooks for Gr. 7-8
- School purchased laptops, iPads, iPods available for sign-out

## k. Upcoming!

- Cross Country Areas – October 2 AM
- 6B Durham Forest – October 7/8
- Cross Country Regionals – October 8
- 6M Durham Forest – October 9/10
- PD Day – October 11
- Federal Election Polling Station – October 21
- School Photos – October 23
- Volunteer of Distinction – October 24 (Congratulations Bobbi Kegel!)
- Cross Country Regionals – October
- 6S Durham Forest – October 28/29
- Superintendent Visit – October 29

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## I. Zones of Regulation

- Blue Zone (sad)
- Green Zone (happy)
- Yellow Zone (frustrated)
- Red Zone (mad)

Questions after the Principal's Report:

School Community Council Input: groups worked in teams to digitally update our School Community Council Input  
Please visit [bit.ly/sccinput](https://bit.ly/sccinput) to add more if you like

Literacy & Numeracy submission for UOIT Robotics and Engineering Competition, details can be found at:

[https://engineering.ontariotechu.ca/outreach/robotics\\_competition/index.php](https://engineering.ontariotechu.ca/outreach/robotics_competition/index.php)

## 5. Treasurer's Report

- Carry over of \$1500 from last year
- \$331.60 from Welcome Back Pizza Night  
Do we have to offer food to offer everyone, or can we just have a meet the teacher/welcome back to school? The consensus was yes, we would like to feed our children. Have we canvassed the possibility of getting food trucks for the evening? M & M's was suggested (I am almost positive it was the catering store and not the chocolates, but it still got me thinking about chocolate).
- Emergency Fund Allocation: \$100
  - Moved: Cheryl
  - Seconded: Penny
- Teacher Allocation: \$75 each
  - Proposed cut off for use to be March Break and money reallocated after that date, as in 2018-2019 school year
  - Moved: Jenny
  - Seconded: Cheryl
- Chocolate Sales
  - Money is due back OCTOBER 15. Not October 16, October 17 or October 18, and definitely not Christmas. In case anyone asks, chocolate money is due back on **OCTOBER 15!**
  - Mr. Ross to provide a wish list for our next meeting so that we can begin to consider allocating funds

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Treasurer's Report Moved: Crystal  
Seconded: Kate

Is there going to be a community engagement night? It's too soon for us to tell.

## **6. Sub-Committees**

Traditionally, we have sub-committees that parents can sign up and volunteer for, such as:

1. Healthy Action
2. Fundraising
3. Literacy, Numeracy & Digital
4. Parent Engagement
5. Special Lunches

Do we have sign-up sheets at our next meeting, or do we re-visit the structure of sub-committees, add/remove some?

## **7. Next Meeting Dates: 6:30 Start Time**

- Tuesday October 29
- Monday Dec. 2
- Tuesday January 28
- Monday March 2
- Tuesday April 28
- Monday June 1

## **8. Request to Adjourn Meeting**

Meeting adjourned at 7:54 pm

Moved: Sandeep

Seconded: Jenn