



Colonel J.E.Farewell P.S.
Wednesday September 27, 2023
@6:00pm
Virtual SCC Meeting Minutes

The SCC Meeting was called to order at 6:05 and a quorum was present.

IN ATTENDANCE

Jessica Walters	Fahima Islam	Sean Donnelly
Amanda Henry	Gina Donnelly	Shelly Lywood
Ashley McWhirter	Sarah-Kristen Doherty	Stephanie Gibson
Asim Masoodi	Haroon Iqbal	Tapabrata Neogi
Becky Kolaczynski	Joana Tryon	Tina Mandal
Brandon Boesch	Leslie Henderson	Cindy Leard
Chantelle Berry-Hitching	Lianne Lees	Michael Wang
Cheryl Bevan	Maria Stavrinou	
Promita Bose	Marianne Rogers	
Crystal Logan	Nichole Risman	

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION

- Land acknowledgement
- Quick run-through of the agenda.
- Overview of SCC Norms.

ELECTIONS & INTRODUCTIONS

- Explaining elections.
- Need to be present to vote & be voted for.
- Unprecedented year, an incredible turnout for the amount of families interested in being voting members in the SCC.
- Optional Introductions. Joanna, Lianne, Leslie, Haroon, Amanda, Tapabrata, Asim, Sara-Kristen, Cheryl, Cindy, Fahima.
- Voting via google form ballot. Link will be up for 5 m, plus a minute for technical difficulties. 6:31-6:37.
 - Two members could not vote with google forms due to technical difficulties.



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RESULTS

- **Treasurer:** Leslie Henderson
- **Voting members**
 - Gina Donnelly
 - Cheryl Bevan
 - Joanna Tyron
 - Fahima Islam
 - Cindy Leard
 - Lianne Lees
 - Amanda Henry
 - Sara-Kristen Doherty
 - Haroon Iqbal
 - Tapabrata (Tapa) Neogi
 - *Tie for last place, Becky withdrew her nomination.*
 - Asim Masoodi
- **UNCONTESTED POSITIONS:**
 - **Co-Chairs:** Jessica Walters & Crystal
 - **Secretary:** Kyleigh

FUNDRAISING

- Discussing HH Events.
 - Volunteer signup page shared:
<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1B5qhELqtgTQZ7taZ4S6EQiyeOkzdv9u8umq-HtShxHI/edit#gid=294928011>
 - SCC Email address shared: coloneljefarewellsc@gmail.com
- We'll do the Dance a thon
- Holiday snack bar
- Holiday Fundraising
 - Purdy's - easy fundraiser, easy to promote, not a lot of pressure. There were no errors in the past. However, it is expensive for families.
 - Laura Secord - you have to purchase by the case. SCC could buy ahead or make kids buy cases. Cheaper individual items.



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Current balance

- Current balance \$7100
 - \$720 set aside for literacy initiatives
 - \$3900 remainder of jungle sport bil
 - \$2400 remaining
 - \$1026.28 in benevolent fund

TEACHER REQUESTS

- Team Jerseys for Intramurals from Mr White
 - need additional jerseys to wear
 - Wants 50 jerseys.
 - \$27.95 ea + \$80 setup fee + \$35 shipping + \$196.63 tax: **\$1709.13**
 - Lianne - supports. Jerseys bring team spirit & participation.
- Outdoor Magnatiles - Kindy Team
 - \$149.95 + \$19.49 tax + **Shipping TBD = \$169.44**
 - Lianne - Supports anything for the small kindy area
- Lianne motions to **pass both teacher requests**, Gina seconds, motion passes.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

This year:

- 600 students
- 27 homerooms
- 4 portables
- 4 busses (before & after school)
- Recently reorganized the school, losing 1 primary grade 3 class. 12 classes were impacted. It was done to ensure board numbers are ministry compliant.

Marianne Rogers - Introduces herself. New Vice Principal.



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Goal 1: what happens when we center student identity to intentionally select teaching strategies.

Goal 2: what happens if we embed learning goals, success criteria, and descriptive feedback within flexible forms of assessment that embraces student strengths and identity?

New language curriculum: hasn't been updated since 2002. Can be accessed through the ministry website: <https://www.dcp.edu.gov.on.ca/en/curriculum/elementary-language>

- Key highlights: impacts grades K-8
- Strand A - Transferable skills, digital media literacy, applications, connections and contributions. Language will only be given one mark.
- Strand B - Oral and non-verbal communication, language foundations for reading & writing, language conventions for reading & writing.
- Strand C - Comprehension & understanding and responding to texts.
- Strand D - Composition: expressing ideas and creating texts
- Cursive writing coming back.
- UFLI - the program being used to address decoding + sound + blending components of the new language curriculum.

Math 2020 math curriculum.

- Grades 3-8 received MathUp licenses - It's a Canadian online learning resource.

Well-being

Results of positive school climate data

- 85.6% STUDENTS FEEL SAFE IN SCHOOL
- 81.5% STUDENTS feel like they're accepted by staff
- 92.8% of staff treat students with respect
- 97% of students participate in extracurricular activities
- 84.9% students who have not witnessed or been bullied

Areas of growth

- by grade 7, 58% of students feel like they belong or are connected to the school.
- 66% of our black students feel like they belong & are connected to our school.



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- 57 % of students feel like they have in put on their learning
- 54% of black students felt like they were involved in meaningful and engaged learning.
- 62.5% of students feel supported while at school.
- Staff seeking ways to improve lower scores.

Next Steps

- meet as a positive school climate team to review data & update Bully Prevention Intervention plan posted on website.
- Continue CCPI (critically conscious practitioner inquiry) as a team to continue to address our inquiry question in our teaching practice.
 - What happens when we intentionally center black student intersectional identities into the curriculum, inclusive of selecting teaching resources & strategies?
- dividing the school into house colors and dividing up assemblies by color group instead of division to further build connectedness (in October). Typically divided by primary, jr, intermediate. Celebrate successes by house colors instead.

Positive School Climate Team meeting: Thursday, October 5th 3:30-4:30 pm

What's happening - Workshops

The Get Real Movement - combats racism in school.

- **Anti-racism Workshop: Junior Division on October 12th.**
- **Inclusivity: Intermediate Division on October 13th.**

Student video: Youg, Christina, Elaine Gr. 7/8 What's happening at Farewell from student perspective

- Cross country - first meet was today – Gator Gallop
- Intermediate & Jr Flag football teams. 80 kids with 50 intermediate & 30 juniors trying out
- Girl's volleyball team -
- Athletic council - intermediates planning & helping
- Terry Fox run & fundraiser. Goal is \$2000
- Reading buddies - Jr/Intermediate students have reading buddies.



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- Wellness runs - no matter who you are, you'll get a daily dose of exercise. Certificates for 5, 10, 15, & 20 k.
- Lunch monitors - grades 6-8
- Students thanked SCC for HH events!

There are numerous leadership opportunities at Farewell for students, staff, and SCC.

Cheryl - Food for thought. There's a school in Ajax with high community needs. Let the SCC know if our community or another is in need.

Cindy - how it worked in previous school, teachers expressed to the parent council that there were students coming to school without boots, hats, mitts, etc for the winter. Marks Warehouse & other locations donated items, some items were donated from families. SCC washed/dry cleaned items & distributed to families.

Suggestion of a Giving Tree.

Colonel Cougars & Kittens Facebook group.

Next meeting TBD

Meeting adjourned 7:44 pm