

WT Townshend Parent Council Meeting Agendae

Thursday May 25th, 2017

6:30 in the Library

Welcome!

Attending: Barb Brown (principal), Pam Law (co-chair), Sandra Himann (V-Principal), Danielle Reynolds (co-chair), Sharon Dunlop, Tina Landry, Danny Lee

Guest: Sarah Anderson from the City of Kitchener

-Some may have connected with Jen Sullivan (Williamsburg Community Centre)

-Sarah is 'Community Liaison' for South West Kitchener - part of Kitchener Neighborhood Strategy (more inclusive, more safe - e.g. traffic calming / shade structure)

-roles: helps to navigate city processes and other community groups and initiatives.

-helps groups to get through the bureaucratic processes

-Resources: neighborhood matching grant - this has just been doubled by the city. Now \$60,000 total fund / \$15,000. max grant. Group can apply only once.

-Neighbours day - June 10th (garage sales / activities in Max Beckers commons / outdoor movie night

- Community Garden Project Opportunity - Danielle attended the planning session. Proposed to be in the big field behind John Sweeney (over 3 acres there). Healthy Kids Grant -Raised bed project we will look into and pull together and idea. Curriculum is available through this program

Barb Brown

- Admin Report

Around the School:

- *celebrations for great events / events coming up*
 - *Arts Night*
 - *Jump Rope for Heart*
- *year end field trips coming!*
 - *class min-fundraisers help to offset costs (fro yo and freezies)*
- *street art program through WRPS / Mac's Milk*
- *update on safety note sent home*
- *'manners' program for next year to be embedded in TRAIL*
- *EQAO*
- *Technology update / plans for 2017-18*

Around the Board

- *strategic plan continues to be rolled out*

Around the Province

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Financial Update

Just over 11,000 in the Greening Line, and 22,000 in the School Council General Fundraising accounts! We will continue to transfer funds (50% of annual funds raised) each year into the Greening Account, and keep 50% in General account for other projects (e.g. field trip supplements, technology)

Photographer Options

- *Discussion on choices for next year's school photographs. We looked at 2 choices for 2017-18, Lifetouch and Edge Imaging. Both companies were discussed and compared. We decided to go with Lifetouch for the next 2 years, barb will ask if they would participate in our Fun Fest event next February.*

PRO Grant

- *Pam completed application process. We will organize a day around mental wellness.*
- *Pam submitted \$300 for a speaker, \$200 for print resources, \$100 for day care.*

Questions:

Next meeting

Thursday June 15th, 2017

- *This is our annual year end celebration meeting. We meet at 6 PM at WTT then go to Williamsburg Arms.*

7:50 PM Adjournment