

School Council Meeting Minutes
February 16, 2017

Attendees:

Yvette Williamson- VP
Donna Hall
David Crossley
Diane Stewart- Peel Public Health
Jawad Hyderabad
Palash Thakur
Ambreen Sayari
Rohan Kulkarni
Melanie Tai

Principal's Message:
Health Curriculum

Yvette Williamson opened the meeting by welcoming guest Diane Stewart from Peel Public Health. Spoke to the curriculum being same as last year and parents this year being more familiar with the documents available. Principal and Vice Principal will still be available to speak with parents regarding any questions or concerns. There will be a health information night to review the human growth and development strand in April for parents.

IPads

The school has purchased 50 new mini iPads for the school with fund raising money. These will be available for the classes in the portables.

Spotlight on Black Heritage

Announcements have been on the PA with messages around Black Heritage Ms. Dixon and select students went the board office to learn about social justice HOZA performance - in the auditorium for all grades. Spoke about Nelson Mandela and South Africa.

There has been classroom activities curriculum based to educate all students around the significance

OFIP

This is funding from the Ministry of Education. Teaching teams for each grade level held a planning day to set lesson plans around "critical thinking" with a math focus

EQAO

There will be a parent and student information night held on March 2nd. 6 p.m. for the Grade 3s.

Families will receive practice booklets to talk home and practice

CCAT testing

This is for grade 4 students. Letters will be sent home to families in March.

Your Voice Counts

This is for Staff, students, and guardians. Board survey will be sent to be completed in April/May

Special Guest Speaker: Diane Stewart

She is the Peel Public Health Nurse for Churchill Meadows

Spoke about Mental Health and awareness, Healthy Eating etc..

The health team for schools looks to the "healthy school approach"

- assess issues and subjects brought forth
- data collection
- create a plan to address the concerns
- implement change/ programs

Spoke about Participaction 150. Keeping kids active and healthy during the year of Canada's 150 birthday

ECO team

There will be a soft launch of this program this year at CMPS

Survey will be sent to staff to determine priorities

Pro Grant Planning:

\$1000 funds per year available to schools who apply

TC2- math realm, Numeracy & critical thinking will remain the focus

School Events - 2017

Movie night will be planned for late April

- will need to get license & movie
- Commitment from all council members to help
- Volunteers from the high school

Next Fall - kick off to the school year.... Fun Fair

- need to start planning and arranging this school year
- Mrs. Hall to reach out to neighbouring school offices to get information on how they run their events

Meeting adjourned

Next meeting planned for April 6th, 2017. @ 6:30pm