

## **Erindale School Council**

### **Minutes – February 13, 2018**

1. Attendance: Sandra Trupp, Melanie Nicholson, Chantel Kowdrysh, Razia Quddus, Simi Dyal, K.C. Sim, Hannah Tan, Mikaela Nicholson, Donna Keller

Regrets: Theresa Edwards, Sandra Parise

2. Approved Minutes from January 16, 2018

3. Report from our Student Council from Mikaela Nicholson, Co-Chair of SAC:

- Valentine celebrations include selling flowers and Krispy Creams (funds to the Colour Run).
- MSA raising funds for local charity with bake sale.
- World Fair plans are coming – this will involve students signing up and organizing cultural tables that celebrate the wide variety of cultures at Erindale, food sales, talent show and fashion show.
- SAC is investigating the option of food trucks for the Spring Carnival. The Carnival will include booths by multiple groups in the school to provide more things to do.
- SAC is still working at getting Super Council together
- SAC is planning a Black History activity for the end of the month
- There will be a SAC activity day around St. Patrick's day

4. Principal's Report – Sandra Trupp

- a. Good start to Semester 2 – still interviewing to hire a French/Library LTO
- b. Learning Commons Update – new floor, new furniture ordered, new technology ordered, glass wall to be in place by end of March
- c. Regional Learning application process happening – we are looking at three classes instead of four.
- d. Junior Boys Basketball are undefeated and heading for the Play Offs. Senior boys doing well too, but not likely to go to the finals.
- e. We are adding another department head based on an increase in numbers. It will be a two year cross-curricular headship "Empowering Modern Learners". This will support the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Teaching and Learning that we have been working on.
- f. Practice OSSLT for grade 10s – went well. We are looking at repeating for grade 9s as well.
- g. Wonderful "Boys Night In" last week. Well attended. Boys loved it. Community Partners who supported the event included: Sam McDadi Real Estate, Microsoft Canada, The Pump, Metro Grocery, Peel Regional Police, Starbucks, Sport Chek, South Common Community Centre and Merge 180.
- h. DECA had a good competition, learned a lot but did not move on to Provincials
- i. Girls Breakfast scheduled for Friday – targeting girls who are managing multiple issues in their lives.
- j. Black History Month celebrations throughout February – announcements, lunch activities, Art, Speakers and Assembly

5. 2017 – 2018 Planning - ProGrant Application of \$1,000 – Supporting Teens in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century – clarified that these funds had to be focussed on parents and not students. Decided to try to get Dr. Karyn Gordon to come in April. If not then principal will call Indus Community Services to see if they could come and share

the program they are presenting in March to the Erindale Community – Foundations for Success – Navigating post-secondary education for students and caregivers. If we are unable to schedule either of these suggestions, principal will see if they could recommend someone else.

## 6. Upcoming Events

- a. Girls Breakfast, Feb. 16
- b. Literacy Prep – Feb and Mar
- c. Math Contests – Feb. 27
- d. Black History Assembly – Feb. 27
- e. YMCA Youth Job Connection – Feb. 28 – Mar 1
- f. YANA (You Are Not Alone) conference – Feb. 28
- g. Early Release Mar 2
- h. Financial Workshop – Chad Owens – Mar 6
- i. March Madness – Mar 21
- j. Parent Interviews – Mar 22

## 9. Other Business, Q and A –

- Parking Lot issues were again discussed. Principal will follow up with custodial staff regarding snow removal of sidewalks in the parking area and the entrance to the pathway. Synervoice will go out again to remind parents to follow the protocols.
- Discussed Boundaries. Principal will pass along concerns about students being bussed to Clarkson.

10. Next Meetings: April 10, 2018, May 7, 2018