

École Campbelltown School Council

Minutes

October 18, 2023, 6:30 pm – 7:15 pm
École Campbelltown School

In attendance: Melissa Manolescu, Shaheen Alarakhia, Andrea Brown, Don Irwin, Greg Probert, Glenda Pickering, Christina Swabey, Donovan VanTwyver, Mike Eisenbrenner, Rosie Chew, Krista Shephard-McInnis, Jenifer Sherburne, Shannon Maher, Kevin Sherburne, Sheena Singleton, Kelly Eves (via Zoom)

1. Call to Order at 6:36 pm

a. Welcome

b. Introductions: Executive, Administration, Staff, and Parents

c. Quorum, Minutes, and Agenda

- Quorum achieved
- Minutes accepted as presented
- Agenda accepted as presented

2. Reports

a. Trustee

- Waiting for report

b. Principal

- Mme Pickering: Norman Footz Monday, October 23 at Festival Place
- Mme Pickering: request to PLA to fund Symphony field trip - this was a tradition at the school, then COVID canceled the program, and it returns this year with performances geared to Div 1 (K-3) and Div 2 (4-6). Request to cover cost for attendance by Grade 3 (\$850) and Grades 5 and 6 (\$1500) for a total of \$2350.
- Mme Jolyane: request to PLA to fund Alien In-line rollerblading - in house field trip with hope that all classes could participate for 3 lessons each and thus teachers would not need to use classroom field trip allocated funds to cover cost - total cost is \$5500.
- Sunridge ski trip booked for Grades 1-6; details to come

c. Committee of School Councils (COSC): next meeting Wed Nov 1 at 6:30 pm

- Information from COSC was included in the weekly email
- Engagement grant (\$500) is available to School Councils again this year

d. Parent Liaison Association (PLA)

- Symphony and Alien In-line funding requests to be discussed under Budget

3. Old Business

a. Read-a-thon: October 16-27

b. Halloween Dance: October 27 at 6:30 pm

4. New Business

a. Board of Trustee decision on French Immersion: October 19 Public Board Meeting

- The report is out and public - EIPS is recommending Option 2 from the June-July survey with amendments: all EIPS French Immersion students in grades 7-12 and additional programs, but not the regular English program, will be included in Bev Facey once the new Sherwood Heights replacement school is built (2026-27 school year)
- Recommendation was discussed with Trustee Don Irwin: he will take our concerns into consideration when in discussion with the Board and indicated that answers to key questions need to be provided before he will make a decision
- Conclusion: The current recommendation in support of Option 2 does not represent a clear long-term solution in the best interest of French Immersion students or for the development of a robust French Immersion program.
- Melissa registered a delegation at the October 19 Board of Trustee meeting and is asking anyone interested/able to attend the meeting to join starting at 10:00am.
- Motion for Melissa to speak on behalf of Ecole Campbelltown when sharing the above conclusion at the Oct 19 Board of Trustee meeting: Christina motioned, Krista seconded, motion passed.

b. Committees:

- Literacy - decision to pursue a used book drive and sale for December again this year - it was well received and very successful last year! - Christina volunteered to organize
- Literacy - mini parent library in progress

c. School Council Engagement Grant – what does engagement mean to you?

- Tabled to November meeting

5. Meeting Dates (6:30 pm)

- a. November 15, 2023
- b. January 17, 2024
- c. February 21, 2024
- d. March 20, 2024
- e. April 17, 2024
- f. May 15, 2024
- g. June – TBD (AGM only)

6. Adjourn at 7:58 pm