

# Minutes for School Council Meeting

September 10, 2019 7:00pm

Mid High Campus, Westmount Charter School

Executive Members Present:

Katarina Galic, Kim Anthony, Raquel Spinato, Ashley Wilford-Matthews

## **1. Call to order and approval of Agenda**

Meeting Called to Order – Katarina Galic

Approval of Agenda: Moved by Raquel, seconded by Ashley

Additions – approval for Theatre Monkeys fee request and Humanities field trip funding request

## **2. Introduction of the School Council and School Administration – Elementary and Mid High**

School Council executive members introduced themselves and explained roles; explained role of school council in raising funds for items like school trips, different ways of learning, resources

Still looking for a special events person and communications director as well as members at large

Members of school administration introduces themselves and explained roles.

## **3. Gratitude**

Katarina expressed gratitude for school administration and parent volunteers.

## **4. Approval of minutes from the June 2019 School Council meeting**

Delayed until next meeting

## **5. Reports from Council - Treasurer Report - Parent Engagement Report - Fundraising Report - Chair Report**

*Fundraising:*

Stamps parking raised \$1600; three more Stamps games to go including Grey Cup.

Bottle drive – still partnering with Vecova, first one will be end of September

Mabel's Labels – look for Westmount code in school newsletter

Still looking for volunteers for all these activities – please consider helping out.

*Parent Engagement:*

Coffee Talk dates will be released soon.

Paul Davis event this Friday, Sept 13; watch for more parent events coming soon.

*Chair Report:*

Focus will be on filling empty positions.

750 families at WCS, only 6 parents on Council.

Need more volunteers to ensure activities can continue.

**6. Principals` reports – Mr. Hal Curties and Mr. Graeme Finlay**

Hal Curties – EC Report (not uploaded on WCS site – didn't work?)

Graeme Finlay – Mid-High Report – see website

Joe Frank – Superintendent's Report

Explained Board of Directors – 5-3 split of parents and non-parents

Meetings of board are open to public – protocol to give notice you'd like to attend

Also please give notice for presentations

Superintendent is the liaison for the board, government, other stakeholders

**7. Community update – Mr. Peter Khu, Westmount's Charter Board Director**

Update on Cancer Centre – building is on track for completion in 2022

Stadium shopping centre is slated for redevelopment in phases

Peter may be able to assist with finding parking for additional bus at mid-high

Update on Bermuda Shorts Day – may coordinate to find dates when school can have a PD day; continue to have a police presence at BSD

**8. Student Council report**

Not available – will present next time when student council rep is elected and briefed.

## **9. Other business**

Melanie Guglielmin

Requires parent council approval to proceed with Theatre Monkeys agreement that parents will pay previously agreed-upon fee for attendance at Storybook Theatre.

Motion: Raquel Seconded: Katarina

Graeme Finlay

Requires parent council approval to approve course fee inclusion for Humanities field trips.

Motion: Katarina Seconded: Ashley

Question about Fun Lunches at EC

Hal Curties:

No longer using Lunch Lady

Unable to find replacement due to insurance requirements

Looking into occasional replacement

**Motion to Adjourn** – Kim Anthony Seconded – Martine V.

Minutes prepared by Ashley Wilford-Matthews