

School Council

meeting minutes

January 18, 2017
Recorder: Linda

Attendees: Dominic Duffy; Awada Kyande; Umakaren Navaratnam; Teresa Terzo; Linda Trimble, Heather Whitman
Deanna Cape and Linda Ward

Absent with regrets: Laura Ritchie; Suzanne Johnson; Cherilee Garofano

Item	Description
Chair's Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Agenda Approved • November School Council Meeting minutes approved • Chairs report information given by L. Ward <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Highlighted Triathlon – children can participate ○ Discussion regarding ‘branded’ merchandise : toques and t-shirts were identified as articles to start with (Linda will investigate cost) ○ Year-end Family Picnic: group identified two possible dates May 17th or 24th (Linda will determine availability of space outside and cafeteria)
Principal's Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. Julia Alleyne is Acting Chair of Bloorview School Authority Board until next meeting – February 7th. Due to work commitments Rachee Allen has resigned from the Board. • Curriculum update – discussion focused on Reporting to Parents (Communicating Learning) new reporting format will be used in June. New template will look very different for Kindergarten children, reflects new curriculum and four ‘frames’. • Transition Process for IET students – outlined steps for students in JK and SK (January parents are contacted). Need to develop understanding that transitioning is an important step and a celebration of success, further work is needed to ensure process is clear to families as they come into the program. • Transition Process for Grade 1 students has begun. General presentation in early January and individual Transition Meetings with families and School Board representatives in February. • School Events: Author Kathy Stinson visited the school today, Parent Teacher/Team meetings in February, IEPs will be sent home after Family Day. Minister of Education will be visiting the school when she makes a visit to HBKRH on January 20th . Staff involved in writing new curriculum for Summer School for students in the “Get Up and Go” persistent pain program.
Discussion items:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Deanna reviewed the updated protocol for notifying families regarding suspected concussions. The draft parent letter, Suspected Concussion form and Signs/Symptoms form were shared and feedback was given. • Goal is to increase understanding and awareness
Committee Reports	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Playground Committee to meet soon and a parent survey will follow • Draft of the new school logo will be shared at the next meeting.
	<p>Upcoming Meeting Dates: Thursday March 30th at 5:30pm in 2W625 Thursday May 4th at 5:30pm in 2W625</p>

