

# School Council

## meeting minutes

May 16, 2016  
Prepared By Linda

Attendees: Lucy Greco, Zak Goldman, Awadhi Kyande and Laura Ritchie  
Heather Fairley and Linda Trimble  
Sonja Litner, Linda Ward and Michael O'Keefe

Absent: Michelle Goldman, Kristen Huys, and Ellen Kalis

	Item	Description
1	Chair's Report	<p>Zak provided information regarding Bloorview School Authority Trustee interviews. Zak was the parent rep on the interview committee. Two new Trustees selected and they bring a high level of skills to the role.</p> <p>-encouraged parents to continue to be involved next year</p>
2	Principal's Report	<p><i>Events/Activities:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Grade 1 Reunion – over 70 people will attend</li> <li>-positive feedback from Family math event</li> <li>-Get Moving for Heart a success</li> <li>-Resource students participated in the Hot Docs Film Festival organized by Carly, Teacher Librarian</li> <li>-Graduation plans underway</li> <li>-Honoured that the work of our young students featured at the Ontario College of Teachers in May.</li> </ul> <p><i>Staffing updates:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Welcomed Vivian to Resource Class (LTO)</li> <li>-Postings out for secondments for September</li> </ul> <p><i>Other:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Ministry of Education Initiatives: Math and Kindergarten</li> <li>-School Year Calendar approved</li> <li>-Request feedback regarding Bloorview School Authority Special Education Plan</li> </ul>
4	Parent Engagement Discussion items:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Given the success of Family Math event – Council encouraged to do two events. One early in the school year and another in the Spring. Council expressed thanks to school staff esp. Amanda A. and Cori.</li> <li>-The funds from this year's PRO grant were used for the Family math event. (Each family given a bag of activities for home use.) Application for a PRO grant for 2016-17 was discussed. Zak will follow up.</li> <li>-Family picnic - June 8<sup>th</sup> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lucy will contact police community liaison</li> <li>• Heather will contact fire department</li> <li>• Zak will contact entertainers</li> <li>• Hard copies of notifications preferred by families</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
5	Committee Updates and Other Business	<p>Playground committee – upcoming playground inspection</p> <p>Policy Review– shared feedback from committee meeting (Human Rights, Reporting to Parents, Excursions &amp; others). Council requested that Online Code of Conduct policy be sent to all members.</p> <p>-Laura reviewed previous discussions regarding a mascot and school motto. Council agreed a letter would be sent out to all families regarding a mascot and motto. Laura will create the letters. A committee from the school and council will review the submissions.</p> <p><i>Trustee Town Hall followed the School Council meeting.</i></p>
		<p><b>Next Meeting Date: June 13, 2016</b></p>