

Toniata School Council

Meeting Minutes

April 24 2023 – 6:30pm

Parent Attendees:

Dana Pearce (Co-Chair)
 Danielle St. John (Secretary)
 Dana LaRock (Treasurer/Fundraising)
 Natalie Aitken (Co-Chair)
 Simone Roddick
 Tara Chenier-Beach

Toniata Representative:

Tania Stover (Principal)
 Laura Carrothers (Teacher)

Guest Attendees:

Evan Guerin (Student)

No.	Item	Speaker
1.	Welcome/Attendance	Group
2.	Previous Meetings Minutes approval – Simone approved. New Agenda Items – None, Simone accepted.	Group
3.	<p>Student Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A. Mondays/Fridays – selling ice cream sandwich to save up for field trip to Queen’s University. B. Real world learning projects – asking community members to help make outdoor classroom at gazebo area. C. Handball tournament Thursday at BCI. D. Playgrounds continue to be popular. E. Dairy farmer came in to talk about future careers in farming. F. Looking forward to BBQ in June. G. Little Mermaid – grade 2-6, rehearsals happening, production at BCI. <p>Teacher Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A. Mrs Hunt - Kinders – seniors are applying science to reading strategies, math, loving the dance on Wednesdays, created a Tim Hortons - new teacher candidate Veronica. B. Mrs Bryan – using recycled milk cartons to plant tomatoes. C. 2/3 – resilience, working on multiplication strategies, problem solving, looking at climate change, helped cleaning up yard for Earth week. D. 3 / 4 - Math just finished division unit, now measurement, perimeter – next week report writing on animal of their choice – will present findings to class – working on healthy eating unit, growing own herb garden in class – gearing up for EQAO. E. 4/5 – Frontenac Arch biosphere – students created a power point pitch to implement plan at Mac Johnson. Will be selling lemonade – talking about money. Most of class is involved in play. F. 5/6 measurement area perimeter – designing outdoor living space, science exploring electricity, handball tournament this Thursday. 	<p>Evan Guerin</p> <p>Laura Carrothers</p>

4.	<p>Reports</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A. Fundraising – Big box of cards – have not been shipped yet. Mrs. Stover has instructions and order sheet. B. Finance – New accountant – see principal’s report. 	Dana LaRock Simone Roddick
5.	<p>New/Old Business</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A. Little Mermaid – Mr Kilgour’s request for funds to assist with play and arts programs. Discussion re: contribution and timing of resources. Group approved to donate an amount to be specified at a later date. B. Flowers for Little Mermaid organizers – \$186 approx total – group approved. Simone will organize and pick up. C. Spring BBQ – Quotes – discussed quotes from vendors. Request for community sponsors – letter to go home. Could the day of the BBQ be a spirit day where students/parents wear Toniata gear/colours. D. Trustee will be coming to BBQ, Mrs Stover waiting for TUSK to get back. Mrs Stover discussed Story Time Trail – is booked for BBQ. The ProGrant has left over funds available that could be used towards the BBQ – discussion re: how to incorporate parent education regarding learning/literacy initiatives into BBQ in order to be able to use funds. E. Book Fair – can book for that week. 	Group
6.	<p>Principal’s Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A. Rachael Kloosterman is the new financial assistant for Toniata. B. Internet safety night – poor turnout but content was excellent. Thank you to Natalie for organizing – provided high quality and informative evening for parents. C. Trustee will attend Little Mermaid performances. D. Kids are loving the dance on Wednesdays. Pictures posted. Katie will come to assembly to teach all students the Toniata cheer. E. Lego club has started at second recess on Thursdays. F. Presentations on career trades – today is dairy industries, tomorrow is rep from Skilled Trades. G. Kinder/Grade 2 dental screening. H. JK open house May 17. I. Tim Horton’s open in JK. J. Wednesday is Professional Admin day – thank you to Mrs Riddell!!! K. Formal unveiling of new school blueprints – displayed in Learning Commons. 	Tania Stover
7.	<p>Next Meeting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A. Tuesday, May 30th 2023 - 630pm – Toniata Learning Commons 	Group