

# Toniata School Council

## Meeting Minutes

May 30 2023– 6:30pm

### Parent Attendees:

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

### Toniata Representative:

Tania Stover (Principal)  
 Trevor Kilgour (Teacher)

### Guest Attendees:

Holly Roddick (Student)  
 Michel Labonte (Trustee)

No.	Item	Speaker
1.	<b>Welcome/Attendance</b>	Group
2.	<b>Previous Meetings Minutes approval</b> – approved by Simone/Dana. <b>New Agenda Items</b> – None.	Group
3.	<p><b>Student Report</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A. June will be a packed month – lots going on – class trips, EQAO, events for all grades.</li> <li>B. Trip to Queen’s sports day, Mandarin after.</li> <li>C. Graduation.</li> <li>D. Softball at last recess.</li> <li>E. Excited for school BBQ.</li> <li>F. 3 students have offered to dress up as Princesses for BBQ.</li> <li>G. Track starting.</li> <li>H. Ice cream sandwich sales going well, helping fund end of year trip to reduce costs for students.</li> <li>I. Sarah’s class held a lemonade stand – also raised money for their trip.</li> <li>J. Little Mermaid – lots of time now at recess – mix of kids being happy and sad that it’s over.</li> </ul> <p><b>Teacher Report</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A. JK – visits are going well - learning about bugs – Tim Horton’s dramatic play area – starting Haggerty today, introducing money.</li> <li>B. SK – applying science of reading – June fun days – track, teddy bear picnic.</li> <li>C. SK/1 – mental health, sun safety, physical activities, story writing, math, 1-2 digit addition and subtractions.</li> <li>D. 3/4 – EQAO, research on extinct animals and presentations, coding unit, Indigenous presenters, field trip to Saunders county critters, butterflies will emerge any day.</li> <li>E. 5/6 – Data management, reading infographics, going to code a model, class trip to queens, disc golf.</li> </ul>	<p>Holly Roddick</p> <p>Trevor Kilgour</p>

	<p>F. Yearbook is coming together, in final stages. Grade 5/6's competed to designing the yearbook cover.</p> <p>G. Acknowledgement to council – thank you for support and kindness with flowers for musical.</p>	
4.	<p><b>Reports</b></p> <p>A. Fundraising – from Big Box of Cards, total \$14,140. Simone will send out reminders for remainder of boxes to be sent out. \$4,294 profit, qualified for tablets. Mrs Reid's class qualified for pizza party for the most boxes sold (82 boxes).</p> <p>B. Finances - \$3,361 currently before Big Box fundraiser.</p> <p>C. Hot Lunch – Gabriels wanting to give teachers pizza as thank you – Tania suggests June 28 (PA Day).</p>	Dana LaRock Simone Roddick
5.	<p><b>New/Old Business</b></p> <p>A. Request for funds</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Mr Kilgour – requesting funds to assist for the rights for next year's musical – \$850 - council approved. Also requesting funding for the Queen's trip, \$5 per student, \$250, <b>all in favour</b>.</li> <li>2. Mrs Bryan – Scientists in the classroom \$235, <b>all in favour</b>.</li> <li>3. Mrs Reid – T-shirts - \$310, <b>all in favour</b>. Request for remaining of funds (\$250) from school council funds.</li> <li>4. Additional \$500 to be available for teachers should they need for end of year activities (ie bus, food, etc). <b>All in favour</b>.</li> </ol> <p>B. Weekender program (fall) – program for kids in need to take home food for the weekend. Could this be something that is implemented in the fall? Must be discreet, available to all families. Will endeavour to start in the fall.</p> <p>C. Spring BBQ</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. BBQ pick up. Who and when? Deposit \$175 - \$864.15 owing. Chips, drinks, water – check with Dana.</li> <li>2. Book fair – posters, notice home, post on Facebook, after school Tuesday, day time on Wednesday, during BBQ Wednesday, after school Thursday.</li> <li>3. Cake walk – anticipate good supply of cakes.</li> <li>4. Face painting – students from BCI. Need supplies.</li> </ol>	Group
6.	<p><b>Principal's Report</b></p> <p>A. New school update</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Public meeting May 25. People had lots of questions about boundaries. Transition team meeting at board office June 9, bring a few representatives from Commonwealth and Toniata to be part of the process. A plan will come out of these meetings.</li> <li>2. Could the school admins be present at the new school? This might make their transitions to their new environment easier.</li> <li>3. Parents can still forward their questions to Tania.</li> <li>4. Tania and Mrs Stone (from Commonwealth) have made it a priority to send the same information and speak regularly.</li> <li>5. Tania and Michel discussed building attributes, shared slides.</li> </ol> <p>B. School climate survey sent out.</p>	Tania Stover

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>C. EQAO in progress, this week grade 3, next week grade 6.</li> <li>D. June is Pride month, Indigenous month, staff and students to wear rainbow colours June 1.</li> <li>E. Rainbow bracelets to be made by students, selling, money will go to Champions for Kids.</li> <li>F. Pow Wow in Smiths Falls, Spirit of the Drum, 2<sup>nd</sup> weekend in June.</li> <li>G. Real world learning – 4/5 participated in bioblitz at Mac Johnson – collected data using the iNaturalist app, will organize findings.</li> <li>H. Mrs Carrothers organized an Indigenous cultural advisor to do a presentation.</li> <li>I. Busy planning for next school year.</li> </ul>	
7.	<p><b>Next Meeting</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A. <b>September 2023 - Have a fantastic Summer!!!!</b></li> </ul>	Group