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## EARL HAIG SCHOOL COUNCIL PLANNING MINUTES

November 02, 2023  
Earl Haig Public School

### ATTENDEES

Name	Role	In Attendance
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE		
Danielle Rombough	Co-Chair	Y
Tanya Mustachi	Co-Chair	Y
Madelaine Hamilton	Treasurer	Y
Daniel Segal	Treasurer	Y
Cleo Buster	Secretary	Y
Polly Vandenberg	Secretary	Y
Robyn Vanpee	Fundraising Lead	N
Zoe Lamothe	Fundraising Lead	N
Heather Cockburn	Ward 16 Council Rep	Y
Zoe Lamothe	Communications Lead	N
Kelly Antoine	Communications Lead	Y
Pilar Hernandez	Nutrition Coordinator	Y
VOTING MEMBERS		
Jennifer Scott	Member-at-large	N
Lucy Saunders	Member-at-large	Y
Evelyn Paraschos	Member-at-large	Y
Shannon Butcher	Member-at-large	Y
Charlotte Chevallier	Member-at-large	Y
Jen Barnes	Member-at-large	N
Derwin Remedios	Member-at-large	Y
Angeles Reyes Corona	Member-at-large	Y

SCHOOL COMMUNITY		
Susan Ly		Y
Alex & Alicia		Y

17 Attendees on Zoom

## AGENDA ITEMS

### **Welcome remarks and Land Acknowledgement** (Danielle Rombough)

*We acknowledge we are hosted on the lands of the Mississaugas of the Anishinaabe, the Haudenosaunee Confederacy and the Wendat. We also recognize the enduring presence of all First Nations, Métis and the Inuit peoples.*

*Nous reconnaissons que nous sommes accueillis sur les terres des Mississaugas des Anichinabés, de la Confédération Haudenosaunee et du Wendat. Nous voulons également reconnaître la pérennité de la présence des Premières Nations, des Métis et des Inuit.*

### **1. Approve the Minutes from Last Meeting:**

1. Posted on SAC website as draft until approved at next minutes
2. Danielle motioned to approve the minutes from October Shannon seconded. Minutes approved.
3. Barbara motion to approve the minutes from October . Danielle seconded. Minutes approved.

### **2. Two Meeting Structure:**

1. Need to revisit this next month and make a decision for 2024. If it is only the same people coming to both meetings, doesn't make sense to have 2/month.

### **3. Treasurers – Madelaine & Dan**

1. SAC Bank Account:
  - Still waiting for account to be set-up. Only have one signer on the account. Need two signatures on a check. So can't issue checks yet.
  - TDSB switched banks and this is what is causing the hold-up.
2. Movie License Renewal:
  - Copy wright License \$850.00 last year
  - Streaming service paid up until Feb. 20, 2024.
3. Buses for School Trips:
  - Buses have become a lot more expensive in recent years

- Teacher Request for assistance from SAC to help cover the cost of buses. The trip includes 4-5 classes – 127 students. They will be going to Crawford Lake on January 18<sup>th</sup>, 2023 to participate in an Indigenous Workshop
- Buses are \$700 each
- Can the SAC create a Central Bus fund/allowance – to try to make this more equitable across the school, as not fair if some classes benefit and others don't
- Each SAC receives ± \$729 each from the school budget. The amount is based on the number of students in the school so changes from year to year. A PO needs to be submitted to the school in order to access this money. Have we ever used this money? Tanya thinks we didn't use it last year. We should try to make use of this money this year. Tanya noted she has heard of other councils using it to cover snacks and refreshments for the SAC meetings, etc.
- Not sustainable to fund all the buses. Not really in SAC scope.
- Some teachers take the TTC others take buses so again not apples to apples. Some places are not accessible by TTC.
- Could we have a fund set aside for students who can't afford to go?
- Think about it before we vote. Find out more information at the townhall.

#### 4. Fundraising by the School:

- Agenda Item for next Town Hall: How is this money being used? How much is raised from each event? Does the money have to be used by the end of the year? Who decides how this money is spent? Dance-a-thon, Movie popcorn, other school/teacher-led fundraising. More transparency.

#### 5. Recess Kits: – Mr. Taylor organizes this

- Total request comes to \$2059.45 – will provide Utility balls, small, medium, large, chalk, Scoop and Ball Set, Basketballs, Footballs, Soccer Balls, etc.
- Does the TDSB pay for these things? There are things that the SAC can't pay for and things we can so Mr. Taylor comes to the SAC with the items we can cover.
- **Pole Vote: Approved unanimously.**

#### 4. Fundraising – Tanya

1. Pumpkin Patch was very successful. Net fundraised approximately \$1,730 – baked good made 2/3 – pumpkins made 1/3
2. Pizza Lunch for this month
3. Interest on Alumni event – trying to get a sense if people are interested
4. Spring Fair – will provide updates next week

#### 5. Communication Updates: – Kelly

1. Would like to clean-up the website and guide more people to the website. Increase traffic there because a good platform for information.
2. Want to put something in school newsletter about all the SAC news channels.

#### 6. Nutrition Program: – Danielle

1. Off to a great start

2. 22 volunteers, more coming once police clearance is complete.
3. Were able to secure a new staff person to help, that is paid for by the school lunch/snack donations. Kitchen staff are paid a stipend. Lunchroom supervisors are TDSB positions.
4. Pilar can share more about this when she attends next meeting.

#### **7. Ward 15/16 Rep. Update - Heather**

1. Tried to get in contact with Michelle Aarts but has not been able to make contact with her.
2. Might be helpful to get in contact with Ward 15 rep., who seems more active.

#### **8. Other**

1. Townhall:
  - Encourage more parents to come so we have more people from the broader community.
  - Sound for Zoom viewers was difficult to hear.
  - Tanya will try to get a mic for the next meeting and a different computer
  - Is it possible to use closed captioning?

#### **Adjournment**

- Heather motioned to adjourn the meeting, Dan seconded. Meeting adjourned.

Minutes prepared by Cleo Buster

Next Meeting is Town Hall on November 08, 2023 in person

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