

# French Immersion Campus School Community Council Meeting Minutes for Thursday, December 3rd @ 6:30 pm

# The Agenda:

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#### Attendance:

Kelly kennedy	Abinay Kirani	Jennifer Butwell	Shannon Dunbar-Bennett	Nirvana Ramcharran
Lisa Scott	Lisa Scott	Lenita Salgado	Manik Mahajan	Sina Sina Pazhman
Crystal Matthews	Melissa Malcolm	Aliya	Eva Kovacs	Serena Dorward
Sandeep Kakan	Melissa Harper-Maniaci	Shabana Mohamed	Jennifer Najib	Sischa
Marc Matthews	Atul Jain	Muhammad Sherazi	Justin Clevett	fathima
Lauren Bliss	Rachel Kennedy			

- 1. Welcome and Introductions by Sandeep Kakan (chair)
- 2. Introduction of elected members:

FI Campus Chair - Sandeep Kakan Secretary - Mohammed Belayamani Treasurer - Atul Jain

3. Selection of Voting Members (using an online, random, name generator):

The following four names were selected:

Marc Matthews	Melissa Maniaci
Ruby Kakan	Naomi Omar-Ali

- 4. Minutes -as this was the first meeting , we did not approve any minutes.
- 3. Reports:

**Treasurer** - None, as this was the first meeting.

**Principal** – Lauen discussed the Staff PD and what teachers have been doing during the Flex Time afternoons. She shared the Thought exchange results (link provided at the end in the Appendix). She also asked parents and families to Save the Date for our Campus Holiday Celebration of Learning on Thursday, December 17th.

Parents were invited to join the "Data Analysis" committee to examine trends and results of the Thought Exchange.

- Eva Picov, Nirvana Ramcharrans and Manik Mahjan volunteered
- 4. Old Business:
- -The Bylaws for our campus were adopted: <a href="https://drive.google.com/file/d/1p9AYF-\_Azk8M2bdr770Ir5ZWaoJB-Wbo/view?usp=sharing">https://drive.google.com/file/d/1p9AYF-\_Azk8M2bdr770Ir5ZWaoJB-Wbo/view?usp=sharing</a>
- 5. New Business:

### Meeting Dates for the remainder of the year were discussed:

- Thursday, January 14th 6:30 pm (All Campus Wide) REVISED
- Thursday, January 14th 7-8:30pm PRO Grant Meeting
- February Date to be decided by our Campus
- Thursday, March 25th 6:30pm (All Campus Wide)
- April/May Date to be decided by our Campus

## Ajax and Whitby Boundary Reviews were shared:

Ajax Boundary Review:

https://drive.google.com/file/d/17396i8wwlqRCLMtdali7SaXZKm1lNTlz/view?usp-sharing

Whitby Boundary Review:

https://drive.google.com/file/d/17-GAroojHBNYjzgPCaolyFoBVyTegaQu/view?usp=sharing

#### **Holiday Celebration**

Parents were asked to "Save the Date" for Thursday, December 17th from 2-3pm for Grade 1-6 and 2:30 - 3:30pm for Grades 7-8. Classes will be sharing their celebration of learning and then will follow with a social time for students and their families in the Google Classroom. More information to come in the upcoming Parent Newsletter.

# February Wellness Evening

Several brainstorming ideas were shared regarding the Wellness Evening, which will be the subject of the PRO Grant application.

An appeal was made for parents to join a planning committee: Nirvana Ramcharrans and Manik Mahajan agreed to be a part of this team.

Several suggestions were made:

- interactive experiences (Kahoot!)
- movement break activities and physical activity challenges,
- dancing and music breakout rooms

Naomi Omar Ali, who had attended several of the MEND activities during Islamic Heritage Month (October), commented on the success of the events and their inter-generational appeal. She also commented on the success of the morning RazzMaTazz/Campus Connect live events and suggested our event could have similar structures - songs, movement breaks, activities, etc.

There was also discussion about if an event of this type could be offered more than just once; it would benefit and build the wider community of our virtual school. Lunch workout challenges and "wiggle breaks" for students who finish their work early/need to move were suggested for Google Classrooms to break up the day for our learners as well.

#### Prime Minister Award for Excellence in Teaching

Sandeep Kakan suggested that parents take the time to consider nominating excellent teachers from our virtual campus. The link was provided: <a href="https://www.ic.gc.ca/eic/site/pmate-ppmee.nsf/eng/h\_wz00010.html">https://www.ic.gc.ca/eic/site/pmate-ppmee.nsf/eng/h\_wz00010.html</a>

. Submissions are due by midnight on January 12th, 2021. .

6. Q & A:

Manik Mahajan asked about class sizes. Principal Bliss explained that classroom sizes are in line with those in a brick and mortar school. Primary classes, for example, are capped at 20 students, with a few exceptions, as we must fall into the prescribed averages as outlined by the Ministry. As such class sizes are the same as those in our "in person" schools.

- 6. Meeting Evaluation attendees were encouraged to give feedback (link provided below)
- 7. Next Meeting: Thursday, January 14th, 2021 @ 6:30pm for All Campuses.
- 8. Adjournment

# Links used throughout

#### Link to Attendance

https://forms.gle/k4GEkgbWXU7HfgFS6

#### Link to Bylaws

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1p9AYF-\_A2k8M2bdr770Ir5ZWa0JB-Wbo/view?usp=sharing

## **Agenda Setting Form**

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## **Meeting Evaluation Form**

https://forms.gle/3cEVkeUhU5RqyTz87

# **Thought Exchange Link:**

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1i4Bw1\_uVGjaq1GKHNgdC4ABkSL\_x-qaK/view?usp=sharing