



ATTENDANCE:

Ann Perez	Kristen Juschkewitsch	Shauna Davidson
Amutha Haslam	Laurie Lyle	Tammy Cruji
Annabel Zbogor	Marcia Martin	Tee Schneider
Brenda Bennett	Ross Murray	Terra Attard
Heather Sinclair	Sandra Witty	

1. Welcome and Approval of April Minutes

- Heather Sinclair, Parent Council Co-Chair, welcomed everyone and presented the agenda and past meeting minutes.

MOTION: to accept the April minutes.

Moved by: Laurie Lyle Seconded by: Sandra Witty Motion Carried.

2. Principal / Vice-Principal's Report

Principal Ann Perez welcomed the group and provided an update:

- **Schoolyard project:** start date confirmed for May 23rd (unless locates not complete for services, in which case it'll be May 29th), expected completion date end of July. Good plan in place in terms of places for children to play during recesses and lunch (shade structure along Watson side will not be cordoned off)
 - Funding: slight modification to the plan; there will be no benches (will maximize existing rock space). As a result, the Humbercrest contribution/cost will be less than originally anticipated, and more funds will now be available to purchase equipment (scooters, soccer nets, shorter basketball nets, hurdles, etc). Will also have outdoor storage shed for equipment
 - Next step: At next Parent Council meeting, Ann to table proposal of additional equipment to be purchased with remaining funds
- **EQAQO:** starts May 23rd, schedule to be communicated by each respective teacher
- **School cash online:** over 50% adoption YTD, bingo night leveraged the tool and was a success
- **STEM showcase (K-8):** sensational, with high participation from many grades. STEM committee will update focus and priorities for 2017-2018 school year
- **Equity Forum:** three wards including ours (3, 7 and 9) met with trustees and the head of the equity department at TDSB. Equity focus is about identifying barriers in school, community, and practice that may be making things more challenging for our children to learn.
 - One of the outcomes from the equity forum being contemplated is a survey to all stakeholders (students, teachers, parents). Ann and Shauna shared three sample questions from the survey with Parent Council for feedback and discussion
 - Following the equity forum, Ann also hosted a meeting with the Humbercrest Teachers to discuss how they ensure they are "seeing" all children and ensuring they are meeting their needs. They reviewed what's going well and areas where growth is required

3. Committee Reports

a) SoFun

- **Bingo:** success, fundraising estimated at \$3,000
- **Grandparents Day:** 26-May, slightly different than last year, 11:00 to 11:40 am, online registration to streamline process & event, coffee and snacks at reception
- **Pub night:** May 26th @ Legion



b) **Allergy**

- Proposed policy and implementation plan for September of 2017 approved
- Kick off in September (awareness campaign, eliminate birthday food celebrations and encourage birthday celebrations with non-edibles. Will allow food celebrations that are planned and communicated)
- Letters to parents asap re specific allergy in a given class (name the allergy, not the student)

c) **Sustainability and Environmental Committee**

- No final tally as of yet for the electronic waste collection during earth week (expect it in the next couple weeks with funds shortly thereafter)
- Submitted a grant application for a water bottle refill station, target implementation in spring 2018 if successful
- Eco school audit canceled this year, will not be certified for this year

4. Other Business

- a) PRO Grant Ideas: Anthony McLean bullying prevention and inclusion
- b) Schoolyard Improvement Budget and Purchases: reviewed in Ann's update, see agenda item #2
- c) Communication and Privacy: not covered, deferred to June 14th Parent Council meeting

Next step: added to June's meeting agenda - the formation of a parent/teacher Task Group to look at dispelling myths about our English program and to investigate options to find more balance between the two language streams offered at Humbercrest.

MOTION: to adjourn the meeting.

Moved by: Terra Attard Seconded by: Laurie Lyle Motion Carried.