



**ATTENDANCE:**

Ann Perez	Hope James	Tammy Cruji
Shauna Davidson	Ibi Olabode	Tee Schneider
Alexis Jeffreys	Julie Lejeune	Terra Attard
Colleen Raymond	Krishpa Kotecha	Victoria Gray
David Gray	Kristen Juschkewitsch	Yvonne Chan Chavez
Francisco Riquelme	Laurie Lyle	
Georgina Bruinsma-Cajic	Melissa Holden	
Heather Sinclair	Sandra Witty	
Helen Hsia	Silvia Tarenta	

**1. Welcome and Approval of October Minutes**

- Heather Sinclair, Parent Council Co-Chair, welcomed everyone and presented the agenda and past meeting minutes
- CORRECTION TO OCTOBER MINUTES: Laurie Lyle added to the attendance list

**MOTION:** to accept the October minutes.

Moved by: Tammy Cruji    Seconded by: Laurie Lyle    Motion Carried.

**2. Treasurer’s Report**

- n/a – carried forward to next meeting

**3. Principal/Vice-Principal’s Report: Principal Ann Perez** welcomed the group and provided an update.

**a) Accounting of 2016-2017 Funds (detailed)**

Amount	Description
\$13,000	• technology
\$3,400	• 30 new desk top computers (including monitor, memory upgrade, chords)
\$1,000	• 8 chrome books and tech tubs, document cameras (want one for each classroom)
\$2,100	
\$2500	• Music and arts performances
	• Kindergarten: have 1 or 2 ipads for class and osmo interactive tool (geometry, accounting, coding, etc); smart boards; google ipads
	• Junior: grade 1, 2, 3 using apps like scratch, read alouds; document cameras, robot called spheros that can be programmed; hour of code coding quest
	• Google classroom: grade 5 and up almost everyone has google classroom; teachers doing lunch and learns to support other teachers; google certified instructors at our school
\$1500	• Subsidies (field trip subsidies for families in need, etc)
\$6561	• Schoolyard improvement
\$30,061	

- School Yard Improvement: 97% completed, painting done, waiting on storage unit for play equipment (will paint on it, mural, etc); once this is brought into the yard, the fence will be closed. Note: the plan was for the hockey area to be painted blue – now investigating what this would cost
- The total cost for schoolyard improvement is expected to be ~\$42,000 (yet to receive final invoice); \$36,000 in account for schoolyard improvement - \$6,561 balance expected to come from funds from last year (per above)



**b) Teachers Wish List 2017-2018 school year**

Amount	Description
\$20,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>38 new chrome books for each class grades 5-8; plan is for each class to have a cart with 5-8 chrome books that they house in classroom and take responsibility for managing (other classes can sign out if needed)</li> </ul>
\$5,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Music and arts performances</li> <li>The “power of one” performance for the entire school, 3 separate performances (primary, junior, intermediate); theme - kids in the end have the power, the power of one, which is them. They can stop and talk about and work against bullying</li> </ul>
\$5,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Field &amp; equipment</li> <li>Beautifying equipment nets/hoops, tent for Humbercrest (cross county, tournaments, etc)</li> </ul>
\$30,000	

**MOTION:** to accept budget allocation for the 2017-2018 school year.

Moved by: Laurie Lyle    Seconded by: Kristen Juschkewitsch    Motion Carried.

- Responsibility/Character assembly:**
  - Every month the TDSB has a different character trait they focus on
  - Each month through announcements & discussions in classroom, Humbercrest brings this trait to life
  - Each teacher nominates a student and gives out certificate at assembly (September was respect and fill each other’s bucket)
  - This month theme = responsibility; eco-team put together videos to show responsibility around school and environment and presented to three different divisions
  - Feedback:** pay attention to who gets these awards year over year and discuss in the classroom that just because you didn’t get award, doesn’t mean you aren’t responsible
- Sergeant Norm Baker:** turning 101, former Humbercrest student; attending the remembrance day assembly 10-Nov; CTV news is doing a story on him (Brenda Bennett is gathering her class and having a meeting with him prior; then he’ll join the assembly)
- Report cards:** home next week and Parent/Teacher interviews on Thursday/Friday (16/17-Nov)
- T-shirt sales:** on sale Parent/Teacher interview night, many more that are little (not a lot of youth medium)
- EQAQO:** school improvement goals include:
  - written expression and student voice; focus will be on taking their ideas, organizing them and creating a paragraph to convey their thinking around a problem or challenge
  - higher level and open ended thinking (vs multiple choice)
- TDSB curriculum:** in the Humbercrest newsletter include a “did you know” section and direct parents to teachers for questions about the curriculum (e.g. typing, printing, cursive practice)

Vice Principal Shauna Davidson welcomed the group and provided an update:

- Playground Pals:** Gym teacher met with Playground Pals to train older kids to play with younger kids – interactive, positive program (not winner/loser), creates character and continuity; started this (20 or 30 pals); happens at lunch; Pals wear pinnies to identify themselves during grade 1 and 2 lunch time
- Holiday helpers:** open to everyone, a few classes are participating (10) and will do a sign up and donation (other classes have other initiatives planned).
- Holiday Drives planned for Humbercrest:** food drive fundraising, coat drive, mitten drive



#### 4. Other Business

##### SoFun - update

- **24-Nov Movie Night:** doors open at 5:30 p.m.; Movie tentatively scheduled is Boss Baby; tickets in advance on cashless schools; geared to JK to grade 4; table with goodies and pizza/pop/water
- **19-Dec Christmas Concert:** Kindergarten at 2:00 p.m.; Primary Grades (1-3) at 6:30 p.m.
- **20-Dec Senior Music Program (grades 6, 7, 8):** 10:00 am
- **21-Dec Stories & Songs with Santa** (formerly known as Santa Breakfast): senior lunch room; festive atmosphere, kids brought in by grade

QSP update: extended until November 30<sup>th</sup>

##### Environment & Sustainability – update

- October 19<sup>th</sup> Eco Schools kicked off
- French and English posters for landfill, recycling and green bin; most of the school is complete (help kids understand to separate the garbage)
- 21<sup>st</sup> Oct: yard day, a dozen families participated, prepped gardens for tulip planting, root stubs to be addressed
- Will incorporate beautifying Watson street into this years plan, help from eco club and requesting trees from trees-for-me

##### Playground Improvement Group– update

- see Principal's update

##### Allergy - update

- Humbercrest teacher requested that resources be translated into French; will go back to requester and ask for their translation assistance
- Some allergy forms have outdated pictures; policy changes coming from government in 2018 – committee to follow-up with Shauna Davidson
- Music teacher carefully managing instrument-use for students with anaphylaxis
- Recycled containers for arts supply: if you wouldn't send the container to school with your child at lunch, don't send it for use as a recycled container for arts supplies

##### French/English Collaboration - update

- Work-in-progress – first meeting in January

##### Caring and Sharing School - update

- No meeting yet; drop zone needs 10 volunteers to kick off

##### Ward 7 Reps - update

- This month's theme: EQAO scores; compared scores from one school to the next; and police officers in schools (police officers in schools not relevant for Humbercrest)
- **Follow-up:**
  - Invite Robin Pilkey to upcoming parent council meeting and offer Humbercrest for one of the ward 7 meetings
  - January: Humbercrest ward 7 rep to bring any items forward to parent council for discussion and debate



**Other Business:**

- Wish & Give: new not-for-profit organization kicked off by Humbercrest families; invitations or tickets and all benefits go to charities; good for birthday parties, gifts for teachers, etc.
- Ann Perez is taking medical leave; starting Nov. 20<sup>th</sup> and returning after March break; experienced replacement principal is Richard Menzies

**Meeting adjourned by Terra Attard.**