MINUTES NORTHLEA SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING LIBRARY – NORTHLEA SCHOOL – 6:30 PM MONDAY JANUARY 30, 2017

PRESENT: David Ehrlich, Jane Wadden, Jen Adziovsky, Arti Panday, Amy White, Nicole Cooper, Stephen Pierce, Sharon Krieger, Kara Kane, Laura Henry, Rachel Chernos-Lin, Melissa Hollester, Kristin Ballard, Allison Wesley, Paige Purvis, Jilda Lazer, Jennifer Williamson, Katie Thompson, Monika Scholte, Regina Espinosa, Kari Smilsky, Jen Myerhoffer and Wilmar Kortleever.

The meeting was called to order at 6:35 pm.

1. WELCOME/INTRODUCTIONS: Arti Panday

2. MOTION Monika Scholte seconded by Stephen Pierce
Approval of School Council Agenda CARRIED

3. MOTION Monika Scholte seconded by Laura Henry

Approval of School Council Minutes Nov 24, 2016 CARRIED

4. Special Guest – Gee Fou-Tsang – Supporting a Student's Growth Mindset Presentation: The Power of Yet

- TDSB's Vision for Learning
- Difference between fixed and growth mindsets
- Difference in praise intelligence vs. effort
- Process vs. Product
- Adding in yet at the end of statements
- Inquiry-based approach
- Discussion related to how Northlea has worked with Gee for implementing growth mindset and STEM
- Power of yet video

5. ADIMINSTOR'S UPDATE - David Ehrlich and Jane Wadden

- Report cards home Feb 13
- Trevor Brown came last week and worked with the teachers for each division (prim, junior and intermediate), teachers receptive to ideas, used manipulatives (blocks, problem solving techniques)
- Next steps for STEM staff interested in learning more and developing Math Leads
- Ski day lots of fun for the 7s and 8s
- Last week met with the head of Caretakers for this area around the lighting and safety issues at the school, will set up a meeting to have the area surveyed when it is dark
- Traffic meeting today and Friday CAA, support us with student ambassadors with Kiss'n'Ride and Kindergarten families to have Kindergarten children use the Kiss'n'Ride and then walk the kindies to their playground, also opportunities to have kids at the 4 corners of the intersections near the school that do not have crossing quards
- More signage to the Kiss'n'Ride positive re-enforcement
- Could there be more positive message as well rather than just the negative issues that come up?
- Discussed having more assemblies with the children to discuss traffic safety to have the children then educate their families

- Discussed the tragedy that occurred yesterday in Quebec and the admin team are assessing the direct impact in the classes
- Gymnasium floor to be redone in the summer different surface to be inserted. Not an all-purpose floor but more rubberized. Mr. Ellis approved of the floor.
- Amy Trevor Brown to speak to the parents as part of the PRO Grant, we will be working
 with Trevor to set up sessions with the parents in the evenings over the next couple of
 months, targeting the different divisions.
- Also have money dedicated to STEM to be utilized during the year.

6. NEXT MEETING - TBD

7. MOTION Jen Myerhoffer seconded by Monika Scholte
To adjourn the meeting CARRIED

The meeting was adjourned at 8:03 pm.

MINUTES NORTHLEA HOME & SCHOOL ASSOCIATION MEETING

The meeting was called to order at 8:03 pm.

1. MOTION Sharon Krieger, seconded by Rachel Chernos-Lin Approval of the H&S Association Agenda CARRIED

2. MOTION Rachel Chernos-Lin seconded by Jen Myerhoffer
Approval of H&S Association Minutes, Nov 24, 2016 CARRIED

3. CHAIR'S REPORT/UPDATES - Amy White

- Fundraising Fund Script and Flipgive remind everyone that it is an easy way to give back to Northlea, looking at other opportunities – pizza lunch program which will need parent volunteers to assist with the running of the program, using Menchies to bring frozen yogurt into the school around Valentine's Day – Discussion related to bringing food into the school, need to make the decision if we are going to do it will talk about it off line
- Discussion around pyjama day that was missed in terms in communication with parents and teachers
- Larger discussion related to food in school
- Any ideas for fundraising please let us know, send the home and school an email
- Discussion relating to method of fundraising and the fundraising policy, discussion related to funding for a goal rather than just fundraising – examples for fundraising throughout the year and allocate the money throughout the year – can discuss the options moving forward with the executive
- Kindergarten summer play date welcome letter sent to bring the new kindergarten families to the community
- FFN date: March 30th
 - o David meeting with the committee next Monday

- o Volunteers still required for graphics and administration of the student volunteers
- Social series setting up guidelines community building series of events, many teachers getting involved this year
 - Date Night to move to November 2017 will be looking for team to organizing this event
- Looking at implementing a Kindergarten lunch program
 - o TDSB has a proposal for us
 - \circ Hope to send out a survey to all the kindergarten parents with a sample menu and it would be pre-ordered at about \$5.50
 - o Also looking a pre-buy program for the older grades as well
- **4.** Finacials Sharon reviewed the financials only addition has been the small amount added by the small fundraising by Kara. Also discussed the need for a committee to finalize the kindergarten playground Jen volunteered to participate.

MOTIONRachel Chernos-lin, seconded by Wilmar KortleeverTo approve the December financialsCARRIED

5. MOTION Rachel Chernos Lin, seconded by Jen Myerhoffer
To adjourn the meeting CARRIED

The meeting was adjourned at 8:50 pm.