

**Gordon School Community Council**  
Meeting Minutes

*September 25, 2017*

<i>Present:</i>	Lisa Mooney, Chris Seabrook, Michelle Leone, Barbara Durley, Jessica Smith, Darcie Lewis, Judy Cowell, Kyle Smith, Brenda MacFarlane, Alison Cousineau, Alison Steele, Amanda Lilley, Athina Paraskevopoulos, Kim Moore, Brianna Sauve, Connie Lymburner, Tony D'Alessandro, Krista Kiemele
<i>Regrets:</i>	Natalie McCarthy
<i>Next meeting:</i>	November 30, 2017, 6:30 p.m., Gordon Learning Commons

**I. Call to order & Welcome**

Introductions around the table. Welcome to new faces and Gordons new Vice Principal Mrs. Krista Kiemele

**II. Adoption of May 29, 2017 meeting minutes**

Chris moved, Judy second, passed.

**III. Elections**

Tony D'Alessandro reviewed council's constitution and executive roles. The following roles were filled.

Chair – Lisa Mooney

Vice Chair – Chris Seabrook

Treasurer – Barbara

Secretary – Michelle Leone

**IV. Financial Report**

Lisa provided brief review from 2016/2017. Largest contribution was once again fun fair - \$5387.95. Council is starting 2017/2018 year with \$6881.24 on account.

**V. Administrators Report**

- Results are arriving from the 2017 EQAO's in late May. Individual reports will be going home with students in near future. Scores are a sliding scale (1 to 4) in reading, writing and math. Gordon scored well as a school. Province wide and at Gordon junior math is an area for improvement. Tony will share school results in next newsletter.
- 12 new faces on the Gordon staff team this year. A bit higher than usual. Please welcome them.

- 515 students as of today – not accepting alternate requests
- Recommends purchase of \$151.20 school council insurance
- Playground update:
  - o School playgrounds are inspected every 2 years
  - o Three items were deemed unsafe or “failed” inspection this year
    1. Ground cover was compacted and must be “turned” – completed already - \$160
    2. Stand alone spiral slide has significant lateral movement causing stability concerns along with significant UV damage indicating it is at life expectancy and must be removed – can be completed by school board facilities at no cost
    3. 2” x 8” perimeter barrier is leaning in six locations and must be repaired - \$3463.78.

## **VI. Council Business**

### Financial

1. Judy moved to purchase council insurance policy at cost of \$151.20. Athina second. Carried.
2. Judy moved to have stand alone slide removed by school board facilities at no cost to council. Darcie second. Carried.
3. Darcie moved to have council cover costs (\$3463.78) of repairing the 2x8 perimeter of playground. Allison second. Carried.

### Meeting Times

Next meeting will take place November 30<sup>th</sup> at 6:30. Will work on meeting schedule for rest of the year from here.

## **VII. Parent Involvement report**

PRO grant was applied for under STEAM to continue tradition of Gordon School Math Nights. No allocations of funds have occurred yet.

### Upcoming Opportunities

- DSBN [PIC Conference on November](#) 1<sup>st</sup> at Eden High-school. FREE. Register online.
- [People for Education Conference](#) at U of T on November 11<sup>th</sup>

## **Adjournment**

Next Meeting November 30, 2017, 6:30 p.m., Gordon Learning Commons, New members always welcome.