

## Parent Council Meeting

Mel Johnson, Co-Chair  
 Jess Hungate, Co-Chair  
 Janet Victor, Treasurer  
 Ellie Morch and Simin Kermati, Co-Secretaries  
 Koo Chun, Event Coordinator  
 Will Ollerhead, Speaker Coordinator  
 Catharine Mackenzie, Member-at-Large  
 Mr. Mack, Principal

*1. Welcome Back*

Mel welcomed group back for another year of Parent Council.

*2. Confirmation of Roles and Responsibilities by current members*

- positions reviewed by Mel
- new email: [communications@ntcishoolcouncil.ca](mailto:communications@ntcishoolcouncil.ca)
- Mr Mack to use above for parents email notifications and cut and paste link in email blast
- Jess suggested we have information on website eg email and link
- Mr Mack will fwd anything information on the website
- Jess suggests getting a list of who is willing to get involved in other ways but not commit to monthly meetings
- Janet stated we have to fill the positions by the end of the month
- Jess would like to share his position as co-chair
- 3 members at large - Collette,
- Catherine -will fill another position eg ward chair, communications

**Action Items:**

**1. Mr. Mack with circulate the new email with his email blasts by putting link that parents can cut and paste in order to sign up for parent council email communications ([communications@ntcishoolcouncil.ca](mailto:communications@ntcishoolcouncil.ca))**

**2. Mr. Mack to add email and link on website under Parent Council.**

3. Governance committee to amend/update - Will & Janet

-to be worked on

5. Parent email list subscription update - Will

6. September funding requests - Janet

Cash Flow reviewed Aug 1 to July 31

Program and screenager re-imburements received

\$5,833 opening balance

3 requests:

a. Music Retreat - \$2000

b. Classics Club - covers 35 students to attend conference - \$1000

c. Red and Grey Day \$750

total

Discussion - executive council voted in favour of a & c and defer b Classics.

Janet to inform the above regarding approvals and deferrals.

Jess asked that Janet advises the classics group that we are intending on supporting them but have to defer to after student fees being received eg next meeting.

Janet request that the requests the Friday before the meeting at the end fo the day.  
Mr Mack to advise the teaching staff and clubs of this dead line shift.

**Action: Request for funding deadline to be the Friday before the following week's NT Parent Council Meeting. Mr. Mack to advise the staff and clubs of this change in deadline.**

5. Proposal to host a Trustee Candidate Meeting - Jess

- Ward 8 will be in a new ward designation
- our ward will now go all the way to the 401
- NT is central for the new ward
- would we be willing to host a meeting?
- Jess attended some others that were max 50 people
- Mr Mack advises that we have a new superintendent (avail 9 Oct) - Kathleen Garner
- Mr Mack will contact her by email to see what her feeling is about hosting a Trustee Candidate Meeting
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**Action: Mr Mack will contact the superintendent by email to see what her feeling is about hosting a Trustee Candidate Meeting**

6. Proposal to have student attend at Executive meetings - Jess

- Jess advised us that a student rep is mandated to be offered to attend the parent council meetings
- the legislation doesn't distinguish between general and executive councils
- non-teaching staff rep should attend parent council as well
- Jess suggested general meetings for stunned and non-teaching staff reps
- Koo - suggested prior school council
- Mel suggested survey at end of meeting, rate the meeting, few minute survey
- Koo suggested the format does not encourage interaction
- Ellie suggested opening up discussions
- Mr Mack warned that this would need to be moderated by the co-chair
- Simin asked are we going to invite other members to meeting eg staff reps/ non-teaching reps
- Mel - advised there can be 2 non teaching staff but only 1 vote and student rep has 1 vote
- Janet suggested invite student reps at 7pm for the last half of the parent council meeting
- Janet advised the our executive council is the legislated school council
- clarification of meetings Parent Council = Executive Council and the larger meeting at 7:30 is the general parent body
- Mr Mack feels there is a lot of student voice, prefer to focus on engaging the parents at the the meetings
- Jess thinks we should have student on the parent council
- Koo suggests we invite them to the meetings

**Action: No specific consensus forged. To be discussed further next meeting.**

7. Future Speakers

- we need to generate a list of speakers
- Koo suggested a list at the front of the general meeting
- Oct meeting - Michelle de Braux to be asked

- teachers are moving away from moodle to google classroom
- John Taylor and Mark Kenoshida - staff rep for IT side of being an NT parent
- Community safety topic was also suggested.

**Action: Speaker coordinator to plan November's meeting and consider asking staff rep John Taylor along with Mark Kenoshida to review IT aspects of NT's classes.**

8. Reception for Convocation 5 October 2018

- Koo has arranged
- PALS - not needed
- Carmela - Koo

Meeting adjourned for members to join general meeting at 7:30 pm in room 215.

Next meeting 6:30 pm on Monday Oct 29th in room TBD.