NTCI School (Parent) Council Executive Meeting

November 26, 2018

6:30pm, Room 210

In attendance:

Jess Hungate, Chair Will Ollerhead, Co-Speaker Coordinator Collette Zimmerman, Co-Speaker Coordinator Koo Chun, Co-Community Event Organizer Catherine Mackenzie, Communications Coordinator Carmella Caramico, Co-Community Event Organizer Shanshan Tang, Co-Ward Liaison Carrie Powers, Member at large Janet Victor, Treasurer Simin Keramati, Co-Secretary

School Staff:

Mr. William Mack, Principal

Students:

Adam Barkas, Student Council President

Absent:

Ellie Morch, Co-Secretary Tina Brunelle, Member at large Michael Ma, Student Council, Senior Vice President

1. Introductions

Jess welcomed Adam to the council, saying that the presence of students are very useful, and added that if we hit any confidential area, we will ask the students to step out (which should rarely happen)

2. Approval of minutes of meeting of October 29, 2018

- a) Changes needed in the executive minutes, the dates of the meetings need to be double checked and corrected.
- b) No other changes, the minutes were approved
- c) Jess talked with Simin, both executive and general minutes could be less detailed.
- d) Parents minutes (general meetings) are the ones to be posted on the school's website and the executive minutes are only for internal purposes.
- e) Koo, Jess and William to follow up with the minutes from last year that has not been uploaded yet.
- f) Better to have some central online place that is accessible for all the members of the committee to upload the executive minutes (for internal use only). Google drive was approved and Will is going to create a folder on Google drive and provide the access for the group.
- 3. Business Arising from the Minutes
 - a) Unfilled Positions Shanshan agreed to be the Co-Ward Liaison, working with Jess.
 - b) Governance matters (by-laws, election process)
 Jess and Shanshan will follow up with the election process and the meetings with the trustee. Janet is working on the By-Laws.
 - c) Will talked about the results of the parent survey for this week. The most interesting topics up to this time are: Mental Health, Addiction, Consent and Gender Issues (Human Rights).
- Adam mentioned that some of the topics that Will mentioned arising in the survey might be more useful. Over use of social media causes lots of distraction for students. Also mental health and sleep disorders are very important.

Will noted that we have recently done programs on these topics – but acknowledged of their continuing importance.

- 5. Principal's Report
 - a) We have had two successful remembrance assemblies for remembrance week.
 - b) We had anxiety and stress relieve programs, such as Yoga, Martial Arts, Music and mindfulness
 - c) We participated in the march for Santa (two marches)
 - d) Next week will include in anti violence program
 - e) Grade 8 students and parents will be visiting the school on Thursday, December the 13th. Students will come during the day and parents will come from 6:30 to 8:30.

The Council agreed to have a table during the evening session.

Will is going to design a poster for use at the table, and Jess will prepare a

paragraph for William to use in his introduction for parents. (Jess and Carries Powers subsequently manned the table- and the banner was completed, and was great success).

- f) The current superintendent is retiring, and we have a new superintendent beginning December 17, 2018 (Diana Panagiotopoulos).
- 6. Treasurer's Report (Janet)

We received one funding request this month from the Social Studies and English Departments. Staff would like to bring a 90 minutes play to NTCI for all grade 10 history students; there are approximately 450-500 students. They are requesting \$600. The request was approved.

- 7. Council needs to approve the SSON (School Statement of Needs). The council needs some time to talk about this, and to see whether we can get parents to involved in the discussion. But in the meantime Jess will send William the online version of the SSON and William is going to change the name of the superintendent on it. We can consider how to get parents involved in this discussion. *We should put this on the agenda for the next meeting.*
- 8. Collette talked about the mindfulness everyday and a possible speaker. The title of the talk could be The Benefits of Mindfulness with Sue Hutton Sue's interactive and practical mindfulness presentations offer an overview of mindfulness and provide participants with accessible tools that can be applied in various settings. The talk and the speaker were approved by all the members. Shanshan will also attend the mindfulness event next week and will let Collette know about the results, but the intention is to proceed with this Carrie is interested in this program because she has been an educator in this field for 20 years

Adam suggested to invite teachers for this session.

9. Communications

Catherine has been working on the social media and the links (Twitter and Facebook page).

10. The school has a SIP, (School Improvement Program), Jess will circulate the information he has received from William to everyone.

We should include this topic (SIP) in the agenda for the next meeting.

Next meeting: Monday January the 28th, 6:30pm, Room 210

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INFLOWS	
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OUTFLOWS	
Clubs	
Robotics	500.00
TOTAL Clubs	500.00
Departments	
Music	2,000.00
TOTAL Departments	2,000.00
Fees & Charges	
Bank Fee	14.85
TOTAL Fees & Charges	14.85
Sports Teams	27632
Boys Hockey	760.00
TOTAL Sports Teams	760.00
Student Council	750.00
PALS	400.00
TOTAL Student Council & PALS	1,150.00
TOTAL OUTFLOWS	4,424.85
OVERALL TOTAL	24,053.42

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Logo for the School (Parent) Council Designed by Will Ollerhead Approved by the members (Via email conversation)



Banner for the School (parent) Council to be used at the grade 8 intro session Designed by Will Ollerhead Approved by the members (Via email conversation)

