

**Danforth CTI School Council Meeting
Minutes March 20th, 2025, 7:00 – 8:30 PM
Hybrid Online (TEAMS) and In-person (Room B20)**

Welcome and Land Acknowledgement – 7:04pm

- Lisa read the TDSB land acknowledgement; “We acknowledge the land we are meeting on is the traditional territory of many nations including the Mississaugas of the Credit, the Anishnabeg, the Chippewa, the Haudenosaunee and the Wendat peoples and is now home to many diverse First Nations, Inuit and Métis peoples.”

Review and adopt the meeting agenda – 7:04pm

- Agenda Confirmed

Remarks and Updates from Principal Wires – 7:05pm

- Principal Wires provided an update:
 - Robust Spirit week this week culminating in rally this Friday.
 - There were building issues on return from March break. Compressor malfunction resulting in non-stop head, had to relocate some classes, took safety measures, etc. Boilers shut down this Thursday, problem now fixed. Bricks, stonework damage from extreme weather, south and north west exits were blocked due to sheared off bricks and stonework, working on fixing for end of week, bleachers had to be locked off for safety reasons, some additional areas of concern on west side of building, trying to maintain access to track, etc, and otherwise fix in near term
 - Staffing: budget discussions coming next week, have to address 70MM deficit and discuss areas of overspend, areas outside of mandate, public consultation to take place in April, opportunity to weight in, overall goal is to develop plan to get back to balance
 - Parent Teacher Interviews in 2 weeks, contemplating how to get more appointments and more time and consider issues of footprint (area too cramped/crowded?) –Principal Wires sought input, ultimate views were to stick with current configuration. Email going out Wednesday for booking, there will be maps and ambassadors on site to help parents find their way
 - Discussion re: Commencement: Committee tabled option of moving from Thursday June 26 @ 7 pm at the school to Friday June 27, 2 pm – 6 pm at Parkview Manor Convention Centre, which would include selling tickets @ \$20-\$25 for all but graduates, estimated cost of \$17k. Extended discussion re: pros and cons of both, ultimately was determined too late in the day to change, stay with current plan but add ticket sales to control numbers in auditorium and manage expectations; also plan to set up streaming viewing option in gym for

overall; agreed to revisit issue for next year earlier in school year and determine whether to move off campus;

- VP Kayla Akler spoke, confirming that people were receiving guidance email communications; and highlighted specialized programs, how to get info on various programs, there will be an “interest form” for grade 10 in next newsletter so that info can be gathered gauging interest and help with planning; a luncheon is being planned for gr. 9-11, info to follow
- Lisa B noted links included in agenda for TDSB Special Education and Inclusion, and School Mental Health Ontario
- Confirmed School Council budget to be allocated to Student Council, once use identified to pay directly for same

Adjournment – 8:15 pm

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Attendance –

- Bryan Wires, Lisa Broadfoot, Brent Barclay, Kayla Akler, Paul; +10 online

Confirming Next Meeting Date – April 17th 2024

Upcoming Council Meetings (Third Thursday of the Month 7pm)

To be held on the third Thursday of each month from 7:00 – 8:30 PM

2025:

May 15th

June 19th

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