

CRW School Council Minutes for May 6th 2024

In Attendance:

Gurjit Sangha Durrani (V)	Ramit Raj (V) - regrets	Amanda Smith (V)
Amy Ramsay (V)	Jennifer Miller (V) - regrets	Melissa Weiler (V)
Sarah Marshall (V)	Varun Nand Chahal (V)	Veena Joshi (V)
Ms. Maddock (Teacher rep) - regrets	Kelly Freitas (Principal)	Donna Thompson (Vice Principal)

(V)= voting member

Gurjit called the meeting to order.

1. Land Acknowledgement (Gurjit)

We begin by acknowledging the land and our responsibility to care for and respect all that provides us with life. This land upon which HDSB is situated, is on the ancestral, treaty and title lands of the Anishinaabek Ojibwe Michizaagiig Nation, now known as the Mississaugas of the Credit. Michizaagiig territory in the past and present continues to host both Indigenous and non-Indigenous peoples.

The HDSB is committed to continuous knowledge building with respect to actions that address and resolve the ongoing impacts of colonialism. We do this by learning and understanding the: true history, treaty obligations, duties and responsibilities and Indigenous Rights while actively maintaining mutually beneficial relationships and collectively respecting and caring for the land.

2. Welcome & Introductions (Gurjit)

- reviewed meeting norms

3. Approval of May Agenda

- **Motion** put forth by Gurjit second by Amy and approved by all

4. Approval of April Minutes

- deferred until next meeting

5. Reports:

5.1 Principal's Report – Principal given by Kelly Freitas

- Thank you to our Council for an awesome PIC event, and Sarah for organizing the presenters, we had fun learning about nutrition and doing some yoga to support our well-being
- Thank you to our library technician Mr. Ma for a successful Book Fair and for staying late to keep it open during our PIC event. We raised around \$8000 to support buying new books and materials for our library!
- Student Senate supported HLF's month of fundraising with incentives to bring in change or donate online to win a class Sharky Dance party (and one class wins cookies)–we raised around \$900

-Superintendent spring visit-shared about our SIPSA work ([SIPSA STORY LINK](#)) and she was so impressed with our goals and plan, and the leadership of our Student Senate, that she selected us to be a school that will be visited and have input into the MYP; Ember will be coming to our school on Thursday and speaking to a grade 8 and a grade 7½ class, and to staff. Ember is also collecting feedback from all School Councils and Gurjit will share more about that

- Tomorrow is our grade 7 and 8 Hamilton Forge FC trip
- Grade 3's went to Westfield Heritage Village
- Earth Day community clean up on April 22nd
- Congratulations to Melissa Weiler and Leslie Gilchrist -who were successful accessing a TD Grant for their How Does Our Garden Grow project
- Annie Jr opens this week, staff and students have been working so hard on it...it will should be an awesome event
- Grade 3's start Swim to Survive tomorrow
- EQAO will be administered at the end of May and first week of June
- Team and Club photo day for the yearbook were taken, Mrs. Kwai Pun has been working diligently getting it ready
- We had our grade 7 and 8 Immunization Clinics
- Kindergarten orientation/open house will be May 28th, from 5:30-6:30 pm—we will connect you via email with our K lead, Michael Sydor

(Volunteer Tea....coming soon in June)

5.2 Chair's Report (Gurjit)

- Thank you Sarah!! (and everyone how helped with PIC event)
 - HDSB multi-year plan - feedback from Council has been requested; please review the previous MYP and consider your responses to the questions below; We will plan a 30 min call to gather everyone's thoughts and submit a response from Council by May 30th; you are welcome to email Gurjit your thoughts as well
- Questions for us to consider:**
- When considering the [current MYP](#), What is working well and needs to continue as a priority?
Where are the opportunities for improvement, and how can they be addressed?
What are the top three priorities that you think the HDSB must focus on to support your child's learning and well-being?
What are the future developments or trends (e.g., AI, new employment skills, intercultural competence, green technology) that the HDSB should anticipate and what are your recommendations for how they can effectively prepare for them?
Is there anything else you would like to share?
- **ACTION:** Gurjit to email out previous MYP and questions for council to consider and book follow-up meeting to discuss
 - Public can provide feedback through Town Halls in Oakville will be held from **6:30 - 8:30 p.m on Tuesday, May 7** at White Oaks Secondary School. Learn more and register: <https://bit.ly/2024-2028MYP>

5.3 Teacher's update (Ms. Maddock)

- deferred till next meeting

5.3 Treasurer's Report (Gurjit)

Final Balance \$13,866

Money from Lunch box is not yet included from last 2 months

Dance-a-thon is in negative balance as remainder for uniforms were purchased; this account will be zero-ed out with funds from the Big Box account (as those funds were also going towards uniforms)

6. Follow-up on items from last meeting:

- a. Condition of field – Facilities will be putting in a French drain and re-grading the field in the summer; two more portables will be added this summer
- b. Sprit wear – how much was ordered? ETA ?
- Have asked for an update from Nav

7. New Business

- a. New govt announcement re Vaping infractions and cellphone use
HDSB/CRW already has policies on these issues;
No real change for what is already being doing in the school
- b. Staff Appreciation
 - we have good fund from last time to support this
 - to be held on Tues June 4th – In person
 - In Second Nutrition break
 - Staff to be surveyed regarding the food option they would prefer

8. Fundraising Update (Amanda)

Krispy Kreme

Next fundraiser – Oct 2, 2024

Funds can go for sound system and/or Robotics or Makeamake

Dance a thon – we will book Professor Jamz now for next year to secure his availability – We need to finalize dates – Nov 22nd 2024 –

Motion put forth by Gurjit, second by Amanda and approved by all

Hero Burgers – running again in May for two weeks and in June for two weeks

Woodward meats – 6% profit - \$127.50

9. PRO Grant (Sarah)

- It was great fun and involvement for all
- 120 people signed up but show up was less
- **ACTION:** Final report to be completed – send copies of receipts so school council will be reimbursed for the costs
- **ACTION:** Receipts to be sent to Julie for reimbursement

10. Events: (everyone)

Fun Fair discussion

- BBQ Brothers is booked – costs increased – will sell for \$10 per combo
- Indian Food menu is finalized as 2xSamosa, Snack Custom Box, Potato Parantha Box. Costing and margins to be finalized (estimated selling price is \$4, \$8 and \$10 respectively)
- Instead of face paint, will do Tattoos
- since we have done lots of fundraising this year the goal is provide a fun community event and we know we will be paying for this; estimated amount that can go towards the event is \$6000
- Jen has secured 2 sponsorships
- wristband costs – decided on \$5 for rides and games
- **ACTION:** Gurjit to meet with Jen and then share back with the group for additional discussion; potential additional meeting to be held to finalize plans.

Next council meeting June 10th at 6pm

Appendix – Prior Actions and Motion Records

CAPTAIN R. WILSON COUNCIL MOTIONS AND ACTIONS 2023-2024	Put Forth By:	Seconded By:	Voted
APR: Book Oct 2 for Krispy Kreme	Gurjit	Amy	All in favour
APR: \$150 to go towards décor for grad	Amy	Sarah	All in favour
APR: Approval of March minutes	Veena	Melissa	All in favour
APR: Approval of April agenda	Amy	Sarah	All in favour
MAR: Approval of \$5000 for Fun Fair budget	Gurjit	Veena	All in favour
MAR: Approval of February minutes	Varun	Sarah	All in favour
MAR: Approval of March agenda	Amy	Jen	All in favour
FEB: pursue Hero Burger as lunch option for trial period	Amanda	Gurjit	All in favour
FEB: Approval of January 2023 minutes	Sarah	Amy	All in favour
FEB: approval of February agenda	Amanda	Jen	All in favour
JAN: Voting of Sarah Marshall onto council as PIC rep	Gurjit	Amanda	All in favour
JAN: Approval of January 2024 Agenda	Amanda	Amy	All in favour
JAN: Approval of December 2023 minutes	Amanda	Veena	All in favour
DEC: Approval of December Agenda	Amanda	Melissa	All in favour
DEC: Approval of November 2023 minutes	Amanda	Melissa	All in favour
NOV: Approval of November Agenda	Amy	Jen	All in favour
NOV: Approval of October 2023 minutes	Amy	Jen	All in favour
OCT: Approval of October Agenda	Gurjit	Melissa	All in favour
OCT: Approval of May 31, 2023 minutes	Gurjit	Melissa	All in favour
OCT: Approval to separate fundraising position from events position	Gurjit	Amanda	All in favour