

# Meeting Minutes

Dalewood French Immersion Public School  
School Council Meeting  
September 24, 2024  
6:00pm, Learning Commons/ MS Teams

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*Our Meeting Norms arrive on time ★ be kind, courteous and respectful ★ listen attentively (no sidebar conversations) ★ speak one at a time ★ participate positively ★ keep to the agenda ★ start and end on time*

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Attending: Jennifer Jinks (Principal), Kristin Willms (Vice-Principal), Jen Lisi (Teacher Rep), Nicole Netherway (Teacher Rep), Mark Coburn, Andrea LaPlante, Cara Cammarata, Ashley Williams, Jacqueline DiRamio, Helene Pomares, Becky Roessner, Jen Garvie, Jessica Goring, Valerie Hodgkins

Regrets: -

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## 1. Welcome and Introductions

- Jennifer Jinks – Principal
- Kristin Willms – VP
- Jen Lisi – Teacher Rep
- Nicole Netherway – Teacher Rep
- Ashley Williams – current Chair
- Andrea LaPlante – current Secretary
- Mark Coburn – current Treasurer
- Round-table introductions made of all attendees
- See contact list for names and email contact information

## 2. Mission, What You Can Do and Purpose of Parent Council

- Jennifer Jinks provided overview of school council including Mission and Purpose
- Mission: To develop a partnership with our school community that promotes successful learning for every student in a safe and nurturing environment. It is meant to enhance communication between the school and the school community.
- What You Can Do: Join Council as a voting member. This requires you to come to all meetings that are set. If we do not meet quorum at our meetings, we cannot pass any motions and Council initiatives will be impacted
- Come to Council meetings to obtain information and share your opinions, without actually being a voting member. All Council meetings are open to guardians and general public
- Help out with fundraising events
- Purpose of School Council: Through active guardian participation: improve pupil achievement, enhance the accountability of the education system to guardians, make

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recommendations to the Principal and Board (in accordance with Ontario Regulation 612/00)

### 3. Elections

- Chair: Ashley Williams
  - Cara C nominated; Seconded by Andrea L; passed by unanimous vote
- Secretary: Andrea LaPlante
  - Jacqueline nominated; Seconded by Ashley W; passed by unanimous vote
- Treasurer: Mark Coburn
  - Cara C nominated; Seconded by Andrea L; passed by unanimous vote
- Sub-committees: formed as necessary throughout the school year – fundraising, graduation, etc.
- Members at Large
  - As a voting member it is expected that you attend most/all meetings and send regrets to Chair when unable to attend meeting
  - If you are a non-voting member you are welcome to attend meetings when possible but there is no commitment to attend all meetings
  - Voting members identified include:
    - Ashley Williams
    - Andrea LaPlante
    - Mark Coburn
    - Cara Cammarata
    - Jacqueline DiRamio
    - Becky Roessner
    - Jen Garvie
    - Jessica Goring
    - Valerie Hodgkins

### 4. Old Business and Previous Meeting Minutes

- Previous meeting minutes – May 2024

### 5. Fundraising

- Mom's Pantry
  - Fall fundraiser
  - Jacqueline motioned to approve; seconded by Jessica; agreed by all to proceed with this fundraiser
- Family movie night – TBC when
  - All agreed this would be another good event – possibly through winter months
- Ice Dogs – March 20; will include pre-skate, anthem and chuck the puck
  - Will need to get prizes (3-4) for chuck the puck
  - Jacqueline motioned to approve; Andrea seconded; agreed by all to proceed
- Calendar Draw – no longer viable fundraiser due to Provincial and Board decision to not allow fundraisers based on lotteries
- Other fundraising or community events:

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- Silent auction (online)
- Pasta night
- Sip and stroll
- Dance-a-thon
- Candy grams

#### 6. Purchasing Requests

- School has asked for funds to buy and install volleyball net in playground area as well as additional recess equipment (~\$2000)
  - Ashley W motion support of donation; Jessica G seconded; motion carried

#### 7. Financial Report

- Mark C provided summary of financial status - \$4386
- 50% of funds from last year will be put aside for playground replacement

#### 8. Principal's Report (Jenn Jinks)

- Schoolwide expectations
- Neufield presentation
- Athletics
  - Cross country
  - Soccer (junior and intermediate)
  - Volleyball – intermediate tryouts starting
- Working on belonging
- Literacy and math plan on PD day
- Eco team
- Award of Merit – student driven leadership (7/8)
- Leadership Crew launch (rebranded student council)
- Music lessons
- Terry Fox – Oct 10
- Student Census Survey
  - Gr 7 to 12 – students take survey; voluntary
  - K to 6 – parents take survey
  - Feb 2025 – results will be available

#### 9. New business

- Ashley W asked for teacher reps to gather info from staff about 'asks' and 'needs' for this year that council may be able to help with

#### 10. Next Meeting

- November 26, 2024 @ 6pm in Learning Commons

Ashley W motioned to adjourn; Andrea L seconded. Meeting adjourned.

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