

Islington Junior Middle School
School Advisory Council Minutes
October 17, 2016, 6:30pm

Attendees: Jeff Dick, Rocco Coluccio, Simona Emiliani, Trish Launt, Allison Lou, Surer Osoble, Deb Petrushchak, Courtney McCann, Alexander Song, Nicole Mainville, Pamela Gough, Nasra Hassan, Mohamed Mahadale, Alesir Naar, Shukri Yasuf Ali, Melanie Amadasun, Shankaran Warsame, Ismaha Cabdinar, Surekha, Mageswaran Palany, Victoria Westgate, Farida Adan, Hindia Jimale, Xiangru Chen, Daman Rayat, Rick Rayat, Mun Hee Jang, Joy Yinusa

Introductions (Jeff Dick, Co-Chair):

- Welcomed members to SAC, introduced himself and SAC executive committee from the previous year
- Discussed agenda and SAC elections
- Explained donation letters that were sent home to parents from Co-Chairs and Administration – requesting a one-time donation to be spent on stated objectives listed on letter
- Rocco noted that the school received a single donation of \$600 from a family who chose to remain anonymous
- Working on collecting emails from parents who wish to be included on the SAC email blasts
- Welcomed Pamela Gough, Ward Trustee

Ward Trustee Update (Pamela Gough, Ward Trustee):

- Invited the parents to attend the Ward 3 Council meeting – child minding services available
- Discussion around street safety around our schools – speaker will be author of “Guide to Safer Streets” – at Second Street on November 27th at 7 pm — networking time for school councils etc. – there will be French Immersion committee also

Explanation of the Process:

- Principal Coluccio explained process of elections and adherence to the SAC bylaws
- Some parents spoke of their concern over the process not being more clear (forms not explaining voting process properly) – one parent could not vote due to lost form – many other parents in attendance planned to vote, but were informed of their ineligibility to vote in absence of their completed nominee for council elect forms
- Principal Coluccio called out names of those parents who completed the SAC nominee for council elect – there were 15 council elect names read and all seats were acclaimed
- Principal Coluccio requested for those seeking seats to introduce themselves to the larger audience – after introductions, Secretary and Treasurer positions were acclaimed by previous seat holders as there was no new interest from others to seek these seats. With 3 parents seeking 2 co-chair seats, the new 15 council board members were able to cast a secret ballot and vote chair positions. Voting results saw the same 2 co-chairs return to their previous posts
- Only those 15 parents who completed their SAC Council Elect forms and returned on time were able to vote

Elected Positions: Secretary, Treasurer, Co-Chairs:

- Secretary: Courtney McCann (Returning)
- Treasurer: Debra Petrushchak (Returning)
- Co-Chair: Surer Osoble (Returning)
- Co-Chair: Jeff Dick (Returning)

Appointed Position: Community Liaison

- Alex Song (Returning)
- Melanie Amadasun

2016/2017 Voting Council Members:

- Surer Osoble, Alex Song, Nicole Mainville, Debra Petrushchak, Jeff Dick, Courtney McCann, Patricia Launt, Melanie Amadasun, Allison Lou, Nasra Hassan, Shukri Yasuf Ali, Mageswaran Palany, Mohamed Mahadale, Shankaran Warsame, Ismahan Mohamed