Franklin School Council Annual Report

# School Name

Franklin Public School

# Date of Submission

June 29,2022

# Opening Statement by the Co-Chair’s

It has once again been a year of adaptability, and resilience for our students, teachers, administration, and Franklin families. Our focus this year was again to build our community both in person and from afar, as we have been settling into a new normal through the pandemic.

In this newsletter we will share updates of where school council Funds (aka funds raised by school council fundraisers) were spent and in general what we have been up to. We are so happy to see our Twitter following increasing as we not only promote Franklin related activities, but those of our community also (such as Nutrition for Learning, WRDSB and local politicians).Thank you for your support! We as always, welcome you to be involved and join us in any capacity, on the council!

Michelle Hojan & Jacqueline Watty

Co-chairs, School Council

# List of Council Activities

* $750 for French Home Reading - November
* $800 Staples Donation - November
* Board Games for Indoor Use from first Domino’s Pizza Fundraiser - January
* $150/classroom to be decided on by the teachers (Based on individual classroom needs - headphones, speakers, etc)
* Guest Speaker MPP Laura Mae Lindo - February
* Special Education Resources - $750 - April
* Bus to the ROM - $300 - April
* Kindie Welcome Package for new families

# Outline of Fundraising Activities

* Domino’s Pizza fundraiser (if any updates) - $450 from second - should be deposited soon
* Update on FlipGive $542.72 available to be withdrawn
* Factory Shoe - total to date raised: (TBD- account summary to follow)

# Executive and Voting Members:

Michelle Hojan, Co-Chair

Jacqueline Watty, Co-Chair

Megan Dutra, Voting Member

Robyn Harrison, Voting Member

Kim Case, Voting Member

Sarah Fretz, Treasurer

HIlary Toller, Secretary

Diana Bowe, Voting Member, Back-up Secretary

Erin Hagey, Voting Member

Preet Sian, Voting Member

# Dates and Formats of Council Meetings

* October 21, 2022
* November 18, 2022 - Virtual Meeting
* January 20, 2022 - Virtual Meeting
* February 17, 2022 - Virtual Meeting
* March - No meeting due to March Break
* April 21, 2022 - Hybrid
* May 19, 2022 - Hybrid

# Dates and Formats for 2022-2023 Meetings

* First Meeting September 19th

# Information for Next Council

* Kim would like to pass on Fundraising Coordination and Reporting in the new school year
* Michelle and Jacqueline stepping down as co-chairs.
* Reached out to Frieburger landscape for weeding the garden, but have not yet heard back from them. Linda added that 4-5 trees will be taken down due to age/damage
* Gagaball Pit suggested
* Repaint some existing structures. Linda comments that they are looking at redoing some of the existing facilities, to meet the new guidelines. Jan - Looking at outdoor areas and removing all of the sand
* Outdoor Learning Materials for curriculum enrichment activities for outdoor learning, specifically in the kindergarten area
* Support Field Trips again next year
* Funding for teachers to use within their classrooms
* There is a balance with Factory Shoe to collect

# Financial Statements for Fundraising and Activities

* To be Updated as we receive the financial reports from Admin.

# Evaluation of Effectiveness

What worked, didn’t work, or should be done differently?

## What Worked:

* School Updates from Administration and Teachers
* Student Representatives present and providing updates to the council
* Hybrid Meeting Format
* Guest Speaker - MPP Laura Mae Lindo- to inform and discuss Racial Equity in Education in Ontario and her Private Members’ Bill, Racial Equity in the Education System Act, 2021 being put through Queen’s Park

# How Can We Improve?

* As discussed with MPP Laura Mae Lindo, how can we move towards a more diverse School Council?
* **Reducing barriers for School Council**

○ Translators could be a consideration

○ Call in option

○ In the past we have offered childcare - wasn’t used, other options?

○ Technology - Linda will look into it - worried about it not being returned

○ Timing can be difficult for bedtimes, activity times

○ Parent rep for each class? Perhaps ensuring each division and English and French represented (K rep, Primary French, Primary English, Junior French, Junior English) ○ Could meetings be recorded and posted later - would have to look at privacy, not sure about student involvement

○ Survey - about timing, and any barriers that exist - as next step