

# Lanor Junior Middle School School Council

## Minutes of the Meeting on Thursday June 13, 2024

**Place:** Lanor JMS Library, 450 Lanor Avenue, Etobicoke, ON

**Time:** 7:00 p.m

<b>Voting members present:</b>	Andrea M (chair) Yuliya Yurchenko (secretary) Terri F (treasurer) Steve F Michaela E Patricia Ocampo Sonia Mistry Rebekah Warner Jaclyn Carere Tonya Belle Karmen P	<b>Voting members regrets:</b>	Gladys J Natasha M Stacy L
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**Parents:** Seema Panchal

**Staff:** Bill Mah (principal)

### 1. Welcome & Land Acknowledgment

The land acknowledgment was read by Andrea.

### 2. Approval of May 15 Minutes

Motion to approve minutes approved.

### 3. Chair Report

*Council planning discussion: 2024/2025*

- Virtual options were more accessible to people to participate. In person meetings smaller turnout. This year, it was a smaller group in person and hybrid in person. Consider having meetings on one consistent night.
- Discussion was carried out how the invitations should go out to let parents know about the meetings.

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- With respect to voting, clarification is needed for individuals who attend meetings and voting rules. Majority understanding that only members can vote. Challenge when members do not attend regularly. Confirmed only members of council can vote.
- Recommendation to send email about how to be included as a voting member at the beginning of the year. Review this process for next year.
- Throughout the year, people can join as a member if there is room on the council as per By-laws. A decision needs to be made whether it is formal (set dates) or there is flexibility. By law, the document needs to be reviewed and see what minimum requirements are. If needed, a section can be rewritten. Bring to September 2024 council meeting.
- First Council meeting – September 19<sup>th</sup>, Thursday, in person. It would be good to discuss core priorities early on. Create a plan for the year – by October. Financial goals – over 5 year vision to be more strategic.
- Curriculum night - council to host dinner that night. Pizza or BBQ are options. Discussion on whether to have RSVP to gauge numbers for food ordering. Curriculum night needs parental council members.
- More presence of parental council representatives at school events would be beneficial. List events early in the year and review them at meetings. A sign up sheet should be established. i.e. Lion King spring 2025.

## 4. Treasurer's Report

- Spending: \$9,636.49 approved
- Unapproved items can be moved to be voted for next year.
- Agenda – can be only successful if supported by the teachers. There is not enough money for it at this time. Only 5 votes were achieved. This item can also be added to next year.
- Wiggle stools (yes voted) and whiteboard (no) and keyboard (voted yes)– voting took place.
- Fundraising – no update from lead at this time.
- Pizza lunch volunteers – 350 shifts. Included students as well. 100 unique volunteers.

## 5. Committee and Initiatives Updates

- Nutrition Program - Morning Munch – grant applied – it did not come through. \$10 K short as a result. Melissa - program coordinator -will need support to figure out the funding for the program. It is \$55 K but \$65 K is needed. Request for help from council to

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support the program (awareness, promoting individual donations, etc.). A tax receipt is provided for donations – it needs to be communicated to parents. Volunteers are needed: 8:15 am to 10:30 am. Ideas would need to be brainstormed. Food safety certified people are to be on site (no issue there). Bring this back to the September meeting next school year.

- Monday, June 10 - Kettleman's sandwiches and smoothies for teachers' appreciation were arranged. It was a great event. Thank you cards were provided to teachers.

## **6. Principal's Report**

- This year was a relatively smooth year.
- The principal thanked the team for hard work.
- TDSB change is expected – superintendent shuffle
- Trustees – it is unknown if changes are going to happen.
- Staffing update was provided. Staffing will be finalized by September.

## **6. Next Meeting**

- First Council meeting – September 19<sup>th</sup>, Thursday, in person.

**Minutes reviewed by: Bill Mah and Andrea Makowiecka**