

Southridge School Council
Wednesday, November 27 · 7:00 – 8:00pm

Video call link: Meeting ID
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1. TERRITORIAL ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

2. FROM THE OFFICE

3. FROM THE STAFF

a. Ongoing events

4. FROM THE COUNCIL

a. Winterfest (K. Rubicini)

- The remaining art that was not claimed during winterfest will be able to be claimed during the school Winter Concert (same as last year)
- Junior kids will be helping set up Winterfest
- Balloon twisting and juggling: Entertainer will come in for free; approved to come and do juggling 5:30-6:30.
 - Balloons on school grounds need to be latex free and unfortunately the Entertainer can not find any.
- If any other council members would like to volunteer - reach out to the council via the Council email address or to Kerri directly and she will find a job for you.

b. Parent Involvement Funding Grant - 2024-2025

Purpose of the Grant:

- The purpose of the grant is to support projects that foster meaningful engagement and create a welcoming environment for all families, particularly those who may face barr
- Ideas for Use:
 - Developing resources, such as multilingual materials, to reach families in their first language.
 - Organizing event nights focused on inclusion and collaboration.

Next steps to make the most of this funding, we'll need to:

1. Identify key priorities for our school community.
 2. Consult with parents, caregivers, and community members to generate ideas.
 3. Create a clear plan that demonstrates how the project will promote inclusion and outreach.
 4. We also need to ensure that the funding is spent in alignment with the grant's purpose and within the timeline for the 2024-2025 school year.
- Key pieces of data to help inform these initiatives.
 - \$500 for projects that demonstrate inclusion/outreach to school communities.

- Things like developing resources, organizing event nights.
- Find a way to consult with the community and caregivers on how to use the grant.
- c. [SCIS Survey: \[2022-2023 Results for Southridge Public School\]](#)
 - After school activity engagement is low in our school community
- d. Results of the 2023-24 EQAO Assessments: [\[Grade 3\]](#) [\[Grade 6\]](#)
 - Activity to support student and parents centered on math

Ideas from Council Members for Parent Involvement Funding Grant

- After school Art Activities (hired to run program afterschool hour in the gym)
- Science Night
- Math Night: info night for parents and student on how math is taught according to the curriculum
- Any activity that is agreed upon must also be vetted by the board and approved by the board to use space in the school to operate. Rental agreement goes through facilities.

5. FUNDRAISING IDEAS

- Pottery evenings
- Slime: present as a science night - take it as a concept and teach/create
- Frozen pizza kits
- Trivia night or board game night.
 - Items could be purchased for the event and then given to the school with the pro grant money.
 - Could there also be a partnership with Tim Hortons or Dominos for people to get food?
- Additional Dominos pizza partnership? Pizza ordered on last Friday of the month (for example) and a portion of the sales come back to the school?
- Movie night
 - Sell popcorn? People could bring their own snacks?
 - Christmas movie night - could we plan for next year?

6. OPEN FLOOR DISCUSSIONS

- Community Closet Update:
 - First round of organizing done
 - Kate to reach out to school staff to inquire about what they feel is used most/needed in the community closet
 - Going into the colder months we are looking for warm clothing donations to beef up the supply in the Closet.
 - Specifically:
 - Socks
 - Underwear
 - mittens/gloves
 - Winter jackets and snow pants
 - Boots
 - Warm Clothing Drive

- Pair with Winter Concert - speak to Kate about so we can arrange to have a very specific ask. E.g. mittens.
- Next steps with the community closet; more organizing and getting inventory.
 - Potentially putting up data collection system/creating a system within the school council volunteers to keep up/keep organized

- Scooter rack proposal from Emily.
 - Found a place in toronto that sells them
 - \$150 each
 - Vetted and facilities can install
 - Info to be sent to council and there will be a vote by email

- Council Members looking for an updated financial report.

- WRAPSC meeting minutes for October and November 2024 will be sent out with November School Council Meeting minutes.

Thanks for being a part of our council. Next meeting is February 26, 2025