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Jr. & Sr. Public School



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2021-22 Runnymede Public School Council - General Council Meeting Annual General Meeting (AGM)

Wednesday, Sept. 28, 2022; 7:00p to 7:45p

Location: Runnymede PS Library with virtual link option

Item	Time	Minutes	Speaker
A.1 Call to order <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Welcome and Attendance Adoption of Agenda/ Minutes 	7:00 pm	5 mins	E. Meana, A. Santos
A.2 Brief summary of how Council works <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Executive Committee is elected on an annual basis To be a voting member of Council you must sign in in person on the sign in sheet or by adding your name / email address to the chat on Zoom if you're joining virtually 	7:05 pm	5 mins	E. Meana
A.3 Committee Introductions Arts <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Classroom based performing and visual arts enrichment for all grades, with a focus on K-5. Green <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Outdoor learning spaces, recess equipment, and Green Teacher program. STEM <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Science, Technology, Engineering and Math environment (looking for Co-Chair). Spirit <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Organizing school-wide community events and fundraising initiatives (looking for Co-Chair). Communications <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Communicating out to parent body. 	7:10 pm	5 mins	E. Meana
A.4 Breakout Session into Committee groups	7:15 pm	20 mins	Committee Chairs
A4.1 Committee Chairs can answer questions/take ideas and members can sign up for Committees they are interested in working with this year.			
A.5 Annual Co-Chair Report <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Last year was successful, given circumstances of the pandemic. Runnymede Public School Council was able to run most of its programming. Looking forward to more in-person events this year. 	7:35 pm	5 mins	E. Meana, A. Santos

<p>A.6 Year-end Treasurer Report (2021-22)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2021-22 budget was \$56k <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Carried over \$10k from 2020-21 ○ \$37k in Direct Donations ○ \$6k from pizza lunches and other initiatives • Did not spend it all, excess funds of \$30k will be carried over to 2022-23 • Budget for 2022-23 will occur at the October Council meeting 	7:40 pm	5 mins	H. Berhane
<p>A.7 Dissolution of 2021-22 Council</p> <p>NOTE: Motion and vote required</p> <p>Motion: To dissolve the 2021-22 Council</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Motion – raised by Emily O., vote carried 	7:45 pm		

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2022-23 Runnymede Public School (PS) Council

Meeting #1: Wednesday, Sept. 28, 2022; 7:45p to 8:30p

Location: Runnymede PS Library with virtual link option

Item	Time	Minutes	Speaker
<p>A.2 Election of 2022-23 Officers of Council (Co-Chair, Secretary, Committee representatives) Nominations have been taken in advance and can be taken at the meeting. If you would like to nominate yourself or someone else, please do so now. Each nominee will give a brief introduction of themselves.</p> <p>Chair – Emily Abrahams Co-Chair – Jenn Stubbs Secretary – Jessica Smith Treasurer – Michael Smith Arts Committee – Ivana Barbieri, Bianca Colle STEM Committee – Helen Berhane, open position Green Committee – Ryan Lockhart, Helen Williams, Sue Brydges Spirit Committee – Jenna Grant, open position Communications Committee – Jon Cook, Godze Mercan</p> <p style="color: red;">Looking for additional Chairs for STEM and Spirit and for new committee members.</p> <p style="color: red;">Information about Committee Chairs and meetings will be posted on the Runnymede School Council website: https://runnymedecouncil.org/</p> <p style="color: red;">You can also reach out to runnymedeps@gmail.com or Council Secretary (Jessica S.) at jessicakallen@gmail.com if you have any further questions or have any ideas about how you can support Runnymede School Council!</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>NOTE: Motion and vote required</u></p> <p>Motion: To approve all nominated Officers of Council.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Members of the new Executive Council are asked to stay for 10 minutes after the meeting</i> <p>Motion – raised by Dale C., vote carried</p>	7:45 pm	10 mins	E. Meana, A. Santos
<p>A.3 Striking of 2022-23 Committees</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Arts • STEM • Green • Spirit • Communications <p style="text-align: center;"><u>NOTE: Motion and vote required</u></p> <p>Motion: To strike the Committees listed above for the 2022-23 school year.</p> <p>Motion – raised by Emily O., vote carried</p>	7:55 pm	5 mins	E. Meana, A. Santos
<p>A.3 Direct Donation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Erin will be running Direct Donation this year • 100% participation and \$50k is the goal. • Participation prize – class with the most participation donations will get a class prize (e.g. pizza party or ice cream social) 	8:00 pm	5 mins	Erin Meana

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Without fundraising – things like Teacher Resource Fund, STEM, Green and Arts enrichment + additional technology funding cannot happen. Discussion about whether there is a particular focus for this year’s Direct Donation campaign. Council members were heavily in favour of this and it will be discussed further as the Direct Donation campaign kicks off. 			
<p>A.4 Administration report</p> <p>Report from Principal Zamin</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Currently have 906 students and 75 staff. 37 fully staffed classes. Waiting on an additional ECE and two lunchroom supervisor positions to be filled. To volunteer at the school, parents must undergo security clearance. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> If parents have never undergone a security clearance, or security clearance was done prior to April 1, 2019, a new security clearance is required. More information can be found here: https://www.tdsb.on.ca/research/Research/External-Research/External-Research-Application/Police-Reference-Checks If security clearance was completed more recently than April 1, 2019, must fill out an Annual Offence Declaration (AOD). Please contact Runnymede Administration to complete your AOD. Welcome assemblies in the first week were very successful. Student “Voice and Choice” is a priority for Runnymede, this includes Senior Students as Prefects as well as student announcements. Terry Fox Run last week was a successful event. Yard Day was a success as well. Thank you to School Council for their contributions. Everyone should be receiving Runnymede Reminders weekly. If you’re not receiving these reminders please call the office to have your email address added. Safety is a priority – indoor and outdoor supervision, lunchroom staff, road safety, etc. will be communicated about in Runnymede Reminders. Swipe cards, security cameras and additional lighting are being explored. If parents have questions about classroom programming, etc. they should reach out directly to their child’s teacher. <p>Report from Vice Principal Price</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grades 6, 7, and 8 are eating lunch in the Cafeteria. Kindergarten and Grades 1 to 5 will continue to eat in their classrooms. Junior students will attend an outdoor play between Oct 6 – 14 called Finding Home: A Salmon Journey up the Humber River. <p>Report from Vice Principal George</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Friday, Sept 30 is the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation and 	8:05pm	15 mins	D. Zamin

<p>Orange Shirt Day</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Teachers have been provided with Indigenous learning resources to share with students and guide programming. Monday, Oct 3 is the Cross Country meet at Centennial. Soccer tryouts for both Junior and Senior teams are in progress. Photo Day on Tuesday, Oct 11. Immunizations for Grades 7-8: Meningitis, Hep B and Hepatitis. Permission forms will be sent home to parents beforehand. <p>Question for Admin</p> <p>Q: Will Hot Lunch return this year? A: A parent lead is required. Samira has volunteered to take this on.</p> <p>Q: List of items that money will be spent on? A: To be determined as the Direct Donation campaign kicks off. Please reach out to Direct Donation lead (Erin M.) at erin.meana@sbcglobal.net to help.</p> <p>Q: Question about Parking along Colbeck? A: Signs that show where parking is allowed are clearly posted. Please do not park in no-parking zones.</p> <p>Q: What are the restrictions around what fundraised dollars can be spent on? A: Must be spent on initiatives / items that directly enhance education / enrichment for students.</p> <p>Q: Question about outside paid programming outside of school hours (e.g. Lego Club). A: Generally, programming outside of school hours is non pay-based for inclusion and equity.</p>			
<p>A.5 Teacher report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Teachers are happy to be back in the classroom. Students are settling in and picking up on their routines. Extra curricular activities are happening – soccer, football, cross country, and primary choir. Library up and running, however, there is currently an issue with the sign-out system which is in the process of being resolved. 	8:20 pm	5 mins	
<p>A.6 Current Council events and additional Council Roles needed</p> <p>Costume Sale</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8th year running. Will run in-person on Oct 4, 5, and 6 after school from 3:15 – 4:00pm. One location near Basketball Courts and one location by Runnymede + Colbeck Crosswalk. Will be sold for between \$5 - \$15, please bring CASH! Please donate used costumes and accessories directly to the office. Great way to reuse, reduce and recycle! <p>Spiritwear Sale</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Currently running until Friday, Sept 30. https://runnymedefall2022.itemorder.com/shop/home/ Question about donating / re-using spiritwear that kids have outgrown. Great idea, but need a parent volunteer. <p>Ward 7 Representative</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Looking for a Ward 7 Representative to attend Ward 7 meetings with our School Trustee. Dave B. volunteered. <p>Graduation Committee</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> If you are interested please email runnymedeps@gmail.com or Erin M. 	8:25 pm	5 mins	Erin Meana

<p>at erin.meana@sbcglobal.net.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Nadia C. and Melissa M. will be the teacher leads. <p>Marlies Game</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dale C. is organizing the annual Runnymede Marlies game, where Runnymede families can attend a Marlies game together as a group and skate on the ice afterwards. Stay tuned for more details. Sunday, Nov 20 @ 4:00pm <p>Stafford Hope Garden</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A piece of land north of teacher parking lot at Runnymede + Colbeck will be made into a memorial parkette for Stafford Hope, a longtime Runnymede Crossing Guard who recently passed away. <p>Food Drives</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Please send in non-perishable food with your child to support the Bloor West Food Bank. 			
<p>A.7 Other Business</p>	8:30pm	5 mins	Open
<p>A.8 Next meeting</p> <p>Wednesday, October 26 at 7:00pm; this year's budget will be presented, open to discussion and changes, and the final version approved and voted on.</p> <p><u>Additional Council Meetings</u></p> <p>Wednesday, October 26 at 7:00pm Monday, November 21 at 7:00pm Wednesday, January 25 at 7:00pm Monday, March 27 at 7:00pm Wednesday, May 24 at 7:00pm</p> <p><u>Executive Council Meetings</u></p> <p>Wednesday, October 19 at 7:00pm Wednesday, May 24 at 7:00pm</p>			
<p>A.9 Adjourn</p>	8:30pm		

Runnymede Public School Council – Committee Summaries

Committees	Current Chairs
<p>Arts</p> <p>Organizes and works with the school to deliver K-5 visual arts enrichment programming; typically partnering with a local artist who provides in class instruction. They also typically assist with schoolwide art events (Nuit Orange and Illuminations) to display the students artwork and allow parents to experience their child’s visual artwork in person.</p>	<p>Ivana Barbieri Bianca Cole</p>
<p>Green</p> <p>Organizes and works with the school to deliver our Green Teacher programming to students. Last Spring, Council approved green teacher programming for all grade levels and some to be delivered right away this Fall to take advantage of grant funding and nicer weather for outdoor education. Green Committee also cares for the Hillside Garden, the front planting beds, organizes community yard days, and helps ensure each classroom has needed recess equipment.</p>	<p>Helen Williams Ryan Lockhart</p>
<p>STEM</p> <p>Organizes and works with the school to deliver hands-on enrichment programs like The Amazing Math Race and Angry Birds Math events as well as puts together STEM kits for classroom use. Also assists with technology inventory and classroom technology needs; works with Technology Teacher lead</p>	<p>Tasha Balla-Boudreau David Begleiter Anne-Marie Nowina</p>
<p>Spirit</p> <p>Organizes and runs the fundraising and community events including Runnymede gear sales, pizza lunches, direct donation campaigns, Art events, etc. Traditionally, the events are large in-person events, but last year Spirit ran a few virtual events that were well received.</p>	<p>Alex Whately Andrea Xia</p>
<p>Communications</p> <p>Coordinates and communicates all Committee initiatives and overall Council news to our school community. Works with Direct Donation lead to assist with annual fundraising campaign.</p>	<p>Carlos Santos Emily Abrahams</p>