

SCHOOL COUNCIL YEAR-END REPORT

Please make a submission by 31 October. Your submission will be shared with the School Principal, school office staff, the Policy Analyst, and the Family Community Engagement Coordinator.

For additional guidance, please refer to School Councils Policy P.014.SCO

And School Council Elections, Constitution and By-Laws Procedure PR.509.SCO

School Name: *

School Council Chair: *

Trillium Elementary School

Kate Woods

School Year

2021-2022

The School Council Mission and Vision: *

The TESC 2021-2022 mission and vision were focused on council engagement, re-initiating fundraising efforts, and council member transition.

Members of the School Council: *

The 2020-2021 Trillium Elementary School Council comprised of the following individuals:

Kate Woods (Co-Chair)

Jennifer Sauve (Co-Chair)

Danusia Campbell (Co-Secretary)

Kelly Connolley (Co-Secretary)

Michelle Hapuarachchi (Treasurer)

Daniel Gosson (Co Community Representative)

Kevin Fowlow (Co Community Representative)

JP Grimes (Member-At-Large)

Samantha Mills (Member-At-Large)

Munira Nurbhai (Member-At-Large)

Ana-Livia Rodriguez (Member-At-Large)

Leila Benhadjoudja (Member-At-Large)

Paula McGuirk-Lemay (Principal)

Trent Clarke (Vice Principal)

Catherine MacLean (Teacher Representative)

Note from the School Council Chair: *

Six council meetings were held during this school year. All meetings were held virtually using Google Meets with all communications delivered via email. This was the first full school year for the principal Paula Mcguirk-Lemay and Vice Principal Trent Clarke and the coordination between the school and council was impeccable. In collaboration with Paula and Trent, we have identified that the library could use a big update, not just in books but in a reimagining of the space to fit the diverse needs of Trillium's student population. As such we have put forward the goal of refreshing the school library into a maker space and learning commons as a driver for fundraising efforts.

TESC was also able to find members who were interested in transitioning onto the critical council roles of Chair and Secretary. It was challenging to engage and reach out to new parent members with the uncertainty at the start of the year, but despite that TESC was able to successfully achieve most of its goals for the year. Co-Chair Jenn Sauve started tackling the job of updating the TESC constitution, which remains as a suggested goal for 2021-2022's council.

It was a pleasure to work with and collaborate with the members of this Council and I look forward to their participation and engagement for the next school year.

A summary of the School Council activities this school year, including fundraising activities, if applicable: *

The following is a list of how TESC supported Trillium and the student learning environment during the 2021-2022 school year:

Teacher Start-Up: TESC continued to support Teacher Start-up, allowing teachers to submit up to \$60 in receipts for eligible items purchased, to support the learning and development of Trillium's students.

Scientist in School: TESC funded a total of 8 virtual workshops.

Teacher Wishlist: TESC funded a number of items in support of the school's teachers and students. Items that were purchased were:

Shovels for the kindergarten yard (\$122, sold to us at half price by our local home hardware) Subscriptions to Je Lis, Learning A to Z, Zorbit's Math Adventure, Les Plan "What in the World?" An air compressor pump for gym balls

Grade 8 Leaving Ceremony: TESC provided a DJ, cupcakes, balloons, utensils, table cloths, and decorations for the ceremony.

Fundraising: TESC held the following fundraisers
Tru Earth which raised \$69

Mabel's Labels which raised \$57 1 for 1 Pizza which raised \$85

Purdy's Chocolates which raised \$1124

Basket Raffle which raised \$3658

If fundraising activities are applicable, please indicate the spending plans approved by your School Council: *

Fundraising by TESC was earmarked towards the following goals

Purdy's Chocolates - towards updating the library and building a makerspace/learning commons.

Basket Raffle - Towards the leaving ceremony, and remaining funds to the teacher wishlist for 2021-2022 and the makerspace, as needed.

Comments for the successor School Council: *

It is suggested that the council continue to focus fundraising efforts towards the 'makerspace goal'. Other priorities for the 2021-2022 Council to consider include:

Succession planning for the Treasurer position

TESC Constitution review and update

Recruitment of new members to TESC and re-engagement with the school, parents, and guardians

Re-introduce more fundraising opportunities (eg. Book Fairs, Hot Lunch)

Re-introduce Trillium community social events (eg. movie nights, Valentine's dance)

Names of School Council members contributing to this report: *
Kate Woods, Jennifer Sauve