



Waterloo Region Assembly of Public School Councils

January 21, 2018

Dear School Council Chairs and Assembly Reps,

We meet Tuesday, February 6 at Forest Heights Collegiate. First on the agenda is Matthew Gerard, the Superintendent of Business Services for the WRDSB. He will talk about the following items:

1. Where does Ministry of Education money go?
2. What are appropriate fundraising targets, and how does the Board keep track?
3. Good news items: how the Board is working together with other organizations such as library boards, cities, etc.
 - Administrative Procedure 4989 PARTNERSHIPS AND SPONSORSHIPS
 - Board Policy 1011 – Community Planning and Facility Partnerships
 - Administrative Procedure 4990 COMMUNITY PLANNING AND FACILITY PARTNERSHIPS
4. School Day and finances – how does it work

Of course, there will also be time for questions.

During the break, Mandi & Melissa would like to talk to other Cambridge reps about the possibility of having a city wide meet & greet for school councils. Cambridge would be the pilot for other areas.

Last on the agenda is Brent Hutzal, the PIC Chair. He is going to talk about parent posts on the WRDSB website, and give us an update on the French Immersion Committee.

Nick Manning asked us to pass this on to you:

Help us improve communication: focus group registration

At Waterloo Region District School Board we know that success for our students depends on effective communication between schools, students and their parents. To help us understand how we can continue to improve communication with you, we are running a series of focus groups to hear from parents across Waterloo region about your experience with communication. We want to know what is working well and what we can improve.

Our focus groups are part of a wider study into communication in this school district that will hear from parents, students and staff to ensure we can meet the needs of all of our partners. Experts from the [National School Public Relations Association](#) will run the focus groups on our behalf.

The focus groups will take place on Monday, March 26, Tuesday, March 27 and, Wednesday, March 28, 2018.

As spaces are limited, we are asking you to register your interest in one of our focus groups by completing our registration form. If we get more people than we have spaces, we will select parents to ensure we have a fair split between elementary and secondary schools. We will confirm your participation by Monday, March 12, 2018.

WRAPSC HAS 5 SPOTS RESERVED ON TUESDAY, MARCH 27 AT 8PM. IF YOU ARE INTERESTED PLEASE SEE ANGELICA AT THE BREAK. If you are not available on that day, you can also register independently.

We look forward to welcoming someone from your School Council.

Sincerely,

Melissa Jenkins & Angelica Allen

WRAPSC Co-Chairs

AGENDA

MEETING OF THE WATERLOO REGION ASSEMBLY OF PUBLIC SCHOOL COUNCILS
FEBRUARY 6TH, 2018 7PM – 9:00PM - IN THE SCHOOL LIBRARY
FOREST HEIGHTS COLLEGIATE, 255 FISCHER HALLMAN ROAD, KITCHENER

<u>Time</u>	<u>Agenda Item</u>	<u>Presenter/Facilitator</u>
7:00 to 7:05	Welcome	Angelica Allen, Co-Chair WRAPSC
7:05 to 8:00	WRDSB Budget and other topics	Matthew Gerard, Superintendent of Business Services
8:00-8:15	Break	
8:15-8:40	Parent Posts French Immersion Committee	Brent Hutzal, PIC Chair
8:40	Closing & Wrap-up	Melissa Jenkins, Co-Chair WRAPSC