

**Bloordale Middle School**  
**MINUTES - Parent School Council Meeting – March 24, 2014**

**Participants:** Nick Tran (Principal), Debra Marshall-MacLeod (Vice Principal), Linda Lakats (Treasurer), Nalini Davidson, Marg Scott, Tracy Villa, Connie Zary.

**Welcome:** Linda Lakats

1. Round table: All
  - a. Introductions.
  
2. Principal's Report: Nick Tran
  - a. Musical: Excerpts of this year's Musical, Aladdin. 6 students did duets for the parents. Sounded great. All is going well for the production. Details include the following:
    - i. Dates for shows, June 18 and 19, 2 per day, 2 matinees, 2 evenings;
    - ii. Waiting for confirmation at Silverthorn;
    - iii. Will need help from parents to move the sets over to Silverthorn on the 13<sup>th</sup>;
    - iv. Doing chocolate fundraiser to raise funds for the musical;
      1. Chocolates are peanut free; samplers provided at meeting;
      2. Permission/responsibility form going home on March 28<sup>th</sup>;
      3. 30 boxes at \$3 each, \$90;
      4. Can return funds for sold chocolates and unsold chocolates;
      5. Some prizes available but not dependent on who sells the most; Boxes will go home starting Monday the 31<sup>st</sup>; ends at Easter.
  - b. Staffing: Projection down to 324 students, thus BMS will be losing one staff position. But due to last year's reorganization, it means two staff positions. Ms Toperczer is leaving due to a promotion as a vice principal in the Halton Region. Congratulations to her and we will miss her dearly.
    - i. Grade 6s: 94;
    - ii. Grade 7s: 101;
    - iii. Grade 8s: 106;
    - iv. Numbers above include 11 HSP students.
    - v. Only two realistic staffing models:
      1. Model 1:
        - a. 3 classes of grade 6s, at 31/32 students per class;
        - b. 3 classes of grade 7s, at 30/31 students per class;
        - c. 1 class of grade 7 / grade 8 split, at 30/31 students per class;
        - d. 3 classes of grade 8s, at 30/31 students per class.
      2. **Model 2:**
        - a. **3 classes of grade 6s, at 31/32 students per class;**
        - b. **3 classes of grade 7s, at 34 students per class;**
        - c. **4 classes of grade 8s, at 26 students per class.**

Need a meeting with parents to discuss which staffing models. School Council proposed the discussion happen at this time. All present agreed. Overall vote was for model 2.

c. School Council Business:

- i. Staff Appreciation Luncheon: General discussion. Would like to do it where parents are asked to contribute towards the lunch. **Date selected for May 6.** Connie Zary to organize and send out note for volunteers, plus note to be included in School News Letter.
- ii. Grade 8 Graduation and Reception on June 23: Volunteer parents needed to help organize, set up and run the Reception which happens at around 5-5:30pm on the school grounds (out front if nice weather, otherwise in the cafeteria). School will arrange for Grade 7 volunteers to serve the food. Parents needed to provide food donations. Linda Lakats and Tracy Villa volunteered to organize.
- iii. Future Meetings: That is it for this year. There may be some subcommittee meetings to continue to organize the luncheon and the Reception.