

Present: Rhonda Cohen-Pierobon, Yota Skederidis, Nick Karkas, Nina Lipsi, Georgia Lazaridis, Antonia Markos, Christine Cockburn, Sharif Qoraishi, Franca Esposito, Diane Jones, Raven Naumann, Lisa Hough

Approval of Minutes

Georgia Lazaridis moved to approve the minutes from the October 15th, 2018 SAC meeting. Nina Lipsi seconded the motion.

School Water System

- Teachers Raven Naumann and Lisa Hough joined the meeting to provide an update on the TDSB Project Refill program.
- Project Refill is on hold and new applications are not currently being accepted due to the following:
 - Water spillage onto the floor causing safety issues and damage to floor tiles
 - Stations are not Accessibility of Ontarians with Disabilities Act compliant
 - Vendor's timeline to solve these issues has taken longer than expected
- There is only one approved vendor and there is currently a 50 school backlog that needs to be addressed before additional applications can be accepted.
- Classroom sinks have stickers indicating that the sinks are only meant for handwashing as there is a concern of cross-contamination. This cross-contamination issue is the same one we all face at home. Measures will be taken to disinfect faucets on a regular basis to allow for classroom sinks to be used for refilling water bottles.
- Classroom water is tested every January and June – the results are always well within the acceptable range. In addition, Mr. Hart flushes water daily for 15 minutes throughout the year in different locations.
- The TDSB refill stations are not filtered; Toronto water is tested every 20 minutes by law.

Leo Barbe

- Due to an unexpected personal matter, Leo was unable to attend and sent his regrets.

Principal's Update

- Following up from the October meeting, Principal Cohen-Pierobon addressed the excessive use of Chromebooks and technology by certain classes. Teachers understand the issues raised by parents and will take them into account going forward.
- Facilities update:
 - New hypoallergenic carpet tiles will be installed in the library.
 - An application has been made to the board to replace the antiquated PA system.
- Bridlewood Jr. P.S., J.B Tyrrell Sr. P.S. and Sir John A. Macdonald C.I. are not open to the new condo developments in the area as there is insufficient space for the expected condo population.
- This school year's focus is on implicit bias & inclusive design, safety and trust. Students should feel that they have access to a caring adult. Students should understand how they can monitor practices and ensure no students are missed in the process.
- Winter Concert – December 20 at 6pm (rehearsal at 1pm on December 19)
- Principal Cohen-Pierobon was excited to share that an anonymous donation was made outside of the donation program specifically to cover the cost of 15 Chromebooks in order to get them into the classrooms and to support the technology initiative at Bridlewood. Thank you for this very generous contribution to our school!
- Math wish list was shared with council:
 - School-wide math resource wish list (\$1,099)
 - Grade 1 and 2 Mathology kit (\$4,500)
 - 15 Chromebooks (\$4,282)
- Additional wish list items:
 - Need to replace some of the musical instruments due to wear - \$1,550
 - School gym sound system upgrade - \$6,493 (approx. \$3,000 plan B which also requires renting certain equipment)

- Potential upgrades to the library to go with new carpet tiles – amount to be determined
- Popcorn machine for fundraising (approx. \$300)

Treasurer's Report

- Bank account balance is currently \$18,496.97
- Deposits for Meet the Teacher Night (\$459) and Friday Lunches (\$14,873)
- Expenses for Meet the Teacher Night (\$311), Friday Lunches (\$535) and banking fees (\$12)
- Estimated lunch expenses of \$5,400 are expected, leaving approx. \$13,000 to be allocated.
- Donation program has generated approx. \$1,000 to date.

Spending Update

- Council agreed on the following spending from general funds:
 - Grade 1 and 2 Mathology kit (\$4,500)
 - Raz Kids levelled reading program for each teacher at the school (\$990)
 - School gym sound system upgrade (\$6,483)
- Council agreed on the following spending from the donation program funds:
 - School-wide math resource wish list (\$1,099)

Fundraising Update

- Council is looking into bringing back Laura Secord chocolate bar fundraiser.
- Friday lunches are going well, but some pizza orders have been tight (all orders have still been filled). This situation will be monitored going forward to see whether additional pizzas need to be ordered.

Special Events

- Winter Concert raffle:
 - December 3 – tickets to be sent home
 - December 13 – early bird deadline
 - December 17 – early bird draw
 - December 20 – concert
- Raffle prizes – 1 motorized scooter, 1 electric quad ride, Markos Automotive packages
- Community members are encouraged to donate raffle prizes. Local businesses will be promoted
- Raffle price point will be set outside of council meeting
- Family Fun Night
 - Considering movie night at the school in February

Safety

- Council considered a number of school traffic safety measures including improved signage, and digital speed signs
- Staff members present at the meeting shared with the Council that a parent concern was brought forward with respect to bullying in the school. Where there are concerns, parents are reminded to raise them with the school administration as soon as possible so that the concern can be addressed quickly. While the topic can be facilitated initially by a member of parent council, it is not the role of council to be involved with a specific incident. It was also discussed that there are differences between bullying and conflict – parents can confuse the two – both need to be addressed, but the messaging is different.

Next Meeting: Monday December 10, 2018 at 6:30 p.m.

Parents are reminded that they can voice their concerns to council at any time by speaking to any member of council or through the bridlewoodchair@gmail.com email address.

APPENDIX

NOVEMBER Dates

Nov 1	Scientist in the school Kenno
Nov 2	Hamburger lunch
Nov 4	Day light savings (clocks fall back 1 hr.)
Nov 9	Remembrance Day Assembly 10:45 - 11:30 a.m. (Actual Day is Nov 11)
Nov 9	Photo Retake & sibling photos Day 1:00 p.m. Library
Nov 9	Pizza Lunch
Nov 12	SAC 6:30 – 8:00
Nov 12	Progress Reports go home
Nov 14	Take your kids to work day 2018 (Gr. 9 students)
Nov 15	Parent teacher conferences 4-8 (Dinner for staff)
Nov 15	Pasta Lunch
Nov 16	PA Day: Parent /teacher conferences.
Nov 20	Scientist in the school – Gr.1/2 Esposito, Hough, Florea and Ling 2/3
Nov 20	Waste Management presentation 1:00
Nov 23	Movember Spirit Day: Wear a moustache to support Men's health awarness
Nov 23	Souvlaki Lunch
Nov 26	Safety presentations with Officer Claudia
Nov 30	Pizza Lunch
Nov 30	9:00 a.m. Rec. Assembly, Dress in your favourite job Day & Food Drive Kick Off

DECEMBER Dates

Dec 3-5	Fire Fighter presentation
Dec 3-14	Food Drive and Clothing Drive
Dec 6	Pasta Lunch
Dec 6	White Ribbon Campaign
Dec 7	PA Day reporting and Assessment
Dec 10	SAC 6:30 – 8:00
Dec 12	Gr. 2/3 and 3/4 Ling & Tessier @ Forrest Valley
Dec 12	McDonald winter Concert
Dec 13	Ukulele Class ends
Dec 14	Hamburger Lunch
Dec 19	Winter Concert Rehearsal 1:00 p.m.
Dec 20	Winter Concert 6:00 p.m.
Dec 21	Winter arrives
Dec 21	Pizza Lunch
Dec 21	Food Drive pick up
Dec 21	Recognition Assembly & Festive Sing-A-Long, Spirit Day Theme: Pajama Day,
Dec 24- Jan 4	Winter Break