**Brimwood Boulevard Junior Public School**

5:00pm Tuesday, January 17, 2023

Via zoom

**Board Attendance**: Etienne Mercieca (Principal), Sana Khan (Chair), Nancy Mann (Secretary),

7 additional video participants

Absent: Simone Dublin (Co-chair)

**Meeting Commencement**: 5:06 pm

**1. Principal Updates**

**Etienne Mercieca**

Winter Concert

* We held the first post-Covid Brimwood winter concert with ½ of the student population
* If your child didn’t participate, they will participate in the Spring concert, likely the 2nd week of May

Pizza Lunch

* Has been very successful
* Averaging $300 per week, up to $2600 for this week
* Good system in place for ordering and delivering of pizzas
* For parents arriving to help out with the pizza, 10:40 am is a good time to arrive

X-Movement

* Pizza lunch revenue will cover X-Movement, booked for the week of Feb 14th
* Each class to work with X-Movement 2x over the course of the week
* Parent engagement night will be booked in future
* Paint supplies from last Spring were not fully covered, so the pizza money (beyond X-movement) will cover this

Extracurricular

* Mr. Liaw has been running ASL Club
* Mrs. Whyte and Mrs. Lee will do LEGO Robotics Club
* Mr. T will do Wed & Fri non-competitive Volleyball Club

Reporting/Assessment

* Past Friday PA day was for working on the reports
* Tuesday, Feb 14 reports will be sent home
* Parent interviews on Feb 16-17th

Other Items

Tamil Heritage Week: Display in the entrance of the school, led by Mrs. Pathmanathan; we are appreciative of any parents willing to add to any of the upcoming Heritage displays

Spring Projects: Line painting and other work orders for the outdoor play yard are still in the works

**2. Sana Khan, Chair**

* Fundraiser for Spring: could use the wreath idea
* City councillor is willing to come to the parent council if there is anything that the parent council would like to propose to him; there could be some work on the pedestrian safety issue

**3. Questions/Discussion**

*Tutoring*:

* Most TDSB schools have been given extra funding for extra tutoring; the funding is available up to the week before March Break
* Three primary teachers have offered 2x per week
* The email went out in November, three tutoring classes (15-16 students each class) and filled up quickly
* If we have additional teacher interest in offering tutoring in future, we will put out an additional email

*Concert:*

* A parent had a concern about visibility of their child during the concert (unable to see their child b/c they were behind other students)
* We have limited storage for risers; a simpler solution might be gym benches to create two levels; arrange kids by their height order might help; will share this piece of visibility with the parents
* Are there other options for the concert performances?
* Is there a way to get the full school together, such as requesting a permit for Albert Campbell’s auditoriums? We wouldn’t be able to go there to rehearse, would need to permit classes as holding for students, and would need staff to organize all of the pieces; there would be a lot of organizing to be done; we would need to work out all of the logistical pieces
* Another idea is to do a concert for the younger kids and then bring in the older group after the younger (1/2 hr window)
* Open to conversation to problem solve and make the concerts better for everyone; maybe next year we could strike a parent committee to help with ideas and organizing

**Next meeting**: **February 21st, 5pm via zoom**