

BROCK SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY, September 23, 2019
6:00 – 8:00p.m.
Library, main floor

Present: Cecile Farnum, Jessica Shepherd, Nadia Surita, Ann Pathammavong, Moshik Galanty, Sarah Hines, Jamie Jones, Rebecca Houston, Musafar Malik, Lindsey Ross, Lori Cullen, Matt Davies, Jess Abraham, Shirley Laparra, Sandra Robledo, Jean-Louis Rivard, Lindsay Brown, Kelly's dad(s)

Anthony Crifo (Teacher), Yasmin Buhariwalla (Principal)

Land Acknowledgement:

"We acknowledge we are hosted on the lands of the Mississaugas of the Anishinabe (A-nish-i-naa-bæ), the Hadnesawne (Had-ne-saw-nee) Confederacy and the Wendat (Wen-dat). We also recognise the enduring presence of all First Nations, Métis and Inuit peoples."

The acknowledgement of the land on which we are situated is an important show of respect, presence and an assertion and recognition of Indigenous self-determination. It aims to bring Indigenous presence and voice to Canadian society and its institutions (e.g., schools); create an opportunity for Indigenous students and staff to begin their day within their cultural context; and foster mutual respect and reconciliation."

A G E N D A

| Item | Information/Action | Responsibility/ Communicate with |
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| 1. Elections/Acclamation | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Explanation of election/acclamation process and description of roles • Acclamation of Council members – additional spots available, max of 12 • Executive – Co-Chairs, Secretary, Treasurer • Community member | <p>4 Co-Chairs: Cecile Farnum, Jessica Shepherd, Moshik Galanty, Sandra Robledo Treasurer: Muzafar Malik Secretary: Jeremy Stewart and Tyler Clark Burke to share Community member outstanding</p> <p>12 Parent members: Moshik Galanty Cecile Farnum Jeremy Stewart Jessica Shepherd Sara Hines Lindsay Brown Nadia Surita Muzafar Malik Sandra Robledo Lindsey Ross Lori Cullen Rebecca Houston</p> |
| 2. Schedule of meetings | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Agreement last year to scatter meetings beyond Mon evening, and try a daytime meeting | <p>Show of hands for availability - meeting to rotate from month to month</p> |

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| | | <p>between Monday and Tuesday from 6pm to 8pm</p> <p>Next meetings are Tuesday, October 22 and Monday, November 18 at 6 p.m.</p> <p>For 2020, Jan 21 and Feb 24 tentatively.</p> |
| <p>3. Upcoming initiatives</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Increasing parent engagement with the school community through social events, e.g. Welcome BBQ on Curriculum Night (Sept 26) ● Executing a fundraising plan to support the Principal's wish list for 2019/20, which includes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Artists in the Classroom for all classes ○ Scientists in the School for all classes ○ Subsidize Gr. 8 Grad Trip to make it more affordable ○ Subsidize Ukulele School for Gr. 4/5 ● Coordinating political action in opposition to government cuts to public education (Oct 10 walk-in is upcoming!) ● Forming an Arts Committee to help coordinate the | <p>Sandra Robledo interested (also Robbie Gordon and Tim Newfield)</p> <p>Cecile Farnum, Ann Pathammavong, Lindsay Brown interested</p> <p>Jessica Shepherd and others</p> <p>Rebecca Houston, Jessica Shepherd, Lori</p> |

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| | <p>Artists in the Classroom initiative through selection of participating artists</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Support and assistance with Brock’s Rooftop Garden ● Parents interested in equity, diversity and inclusion to research and suggest ideas to share with the school’s Equity Committee (opportunity to join Ward 9 Equity Committee, new this year!) ● Teacher and staff appreciation and recognition ● NEW ITEMS: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Buddy bench ○ Additional basketball net in playground ○ Request for donations of balls for schoolyard play – basketball, soccer ball, etc. | <p>Cullen, Lindsay Brown,</p> <p>Michelle Richea, Sandra Robledo, Jean-Louis Rivard</p> <p>Jessica Shepherd, Ratsamy Pathammavong</p> <p>Nadia Surita, Shirley Laparra</p> <p>Possible collaboration with Artists in the Classroom? Need to consider that there is a full school program to implement with a Buddy Bench, not simply creating the bench</p> <p>Work order has been submitted, basketball is very popular!</p> <p>Cecile will send out a communication to parents via email/Fb</p> |
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| <p>4. Principal's Update</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Staffing update - new teaching position added • Parent Concern Protocol discussed • Music program updates – Ukulele School, Orff music program, music for middle school • Request for parent volunteer to be on Safe Schools Committee • Request for parent volunteer to review the budget volunteer • Discussion of need for parents to remain outside the school for safety reasons – impossible for school staff to know who is a parent/caregiver – drop off/pick up in the schoolyard, please! | |
| <p>5. AOB</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Muzafar suggested we bring a school lunch program in. Principal has concerns around cost, equity, and the staffing needed to support this | |

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