



## **SAB School Council Meeting Minutes - NOVEMBER 22, 2021**

### **Attendance:**

Paul Younger\*, Corinne Frey\*, Michael Kanalec, Julie Monpierre, Purvi Acharya\*, Melissa Bangma, Beverley Essue\*, Christine Sheehan, Michael Kinsey\*, Melissa Churchill-Smith\*, Sarah Harwood, Meagan Lau\*, Bev Myhal, Stacey Lortz, Melissa Macks, Corinne Frey\*, Japmeen Johal, Wendy Bishop, Erin McMillan\*, Jamie Ackerman, Saiqa Hazari\*, Brooke Hilditch, Christie Carson-Ginger, Henry Zulauf, Alex Grant, Laura Campbell, Sara Chow, Tenzin Yangru

\*2021-2022 Voting Members

**Approval of Agenda**-Corinne, Paul, Melissa, Meagan, Michael

**Approval of minutes**-Paul, Corinne, Melissa, Meagan, Michael

### **Lindsay (Corinne filled in)-Budget**

-Approval of budget to be done in January

-\$6200 in account carried over from previous year. Due to covid we were able to carry it over. Ideally the sooner we spend it the better.

-What goals do we want to achieve as a team this year? Think about this for Jan meeting.

-\$310 from cash online donations carried over

-Teacher allocations- we should go back to \$200 for each teacher. Vote: Paul Mel, Japmeen, Bev, Purvi, Saiqa, Michael, Corinne. YES. It will cost us \$5400.

-Michael to communicate to teachers.

-We will think about fundraising for January.

-Trivia night-vote to do this: Mel, Corinne, Michael, Paul, Chrisite, Meagan, Saiqa

-Chocolate almonds: Can we run this? Can we do a table outside(outside) for pickup? Yes we can. Have to approach library/community centre to do it at the other end if we want to do inside.

Think of weather. Can we use the tent? Yes in the supply room.

Christine to help with any in school stuff. Issue with chocolates coming into the school??

Michael to check.

-Anyone have fundraising ideas they want us to do?? We will put something in council corner to get some ideas from parents.

-Efforts from this fundraising to go where?? We will come together in January to talk of these ideas. Ideas: Contribution towards a field trip for the kids. Could always do a virtual school trip.

-Kahoot-theme for trivia night could be diversity/inclusion

### **Communications (Purvi/Bev)**

-Thanks for headshots, website not updated yet

-Council corner in the newsletter, Bev is leading for the month, email if you have any ideas.

-The donation request sent in September did not work, was not a live link, we will add to next newsletter for anyone to donate to the school.

### **Centennial Event (Monpierre)**

-volunteers from Facebook/word of mouth, thanks for sharing info

-Dec 6 meeting for artifacts committee

-Motto of the Centennial: **Blending the old and the new to welcome the future**

-open house: former student who is a journalist, offered to interview the former 'older' students, a questionnaire, make a booklet

-looking for people that will present diversity, anyone know of an aboriginal person, want the booklet to show everyone, please speak to Mme Monpierre if you know of anyone

-Booklet will have sentences from current students, we would like to give as a souvenir to people.

-Open house: volunteer to bake goods, offer some food there. Beverages: pay item out of pocket

-we need to decide/brainstorm on activities for this event

-gym, some form of entertainment: inflatable castle for example, becomes a cost item if we want to do this

-indoors or outdoors, leaning to outdoors with COVID

-will school council throw a BBQ?? Are we willing to feed people? Is this something we want to do?

-Events/agenda for next month

-only one person for the dance portion of the event, anyone to help speak to Paul

-look at sponsorships for this event??

-Garden: \$1200, vision was a garden on Horner. We are going to make sure this happens. 14 raised steel beds made into the configuration of 100. Sarah H has volunteered to help, asking Islington Nurseries what we need. Looking to community to help assemble. Over the winter the students are going to paint/personalize the beds. Becky to help as well. Presenting to staff at next staff meeting. Hoping to be set up in early spring when celebration happens.

- Artist item for the school: La Muse art studio. We have commissioned her to continue with the project. Motto shared with her and our focus as a community. End of January she will start on this mosaic. Every student will work with her, piece in the main hallway and 3 pieces on the stairwells. 3-week project. Students will set the tile and help.
- Lots of student involvement
- communicate to other school councils about this event, if they have parents to help. Paul to do Lanor, Mel to do John English.
- costs of the event: consider craft vendors for this?
- new trend: people don't want to take on too much, so simple may be better
- food trucks for event?
- Could do a Facebook search for any people living outside of community

### **Admin Report (Michael)**

- Thanks to council for teacher budget
- Thank you to everyone coming forward to support the centennial

### **Staffing**

- welcome to Mrs. Casey, long term occasional, gym teacher, FI K-5
- Mme Nolan: going on a leave, knee surgery done, wish her the best, she is back in the new year. We have Mr. W filling in as we look for someone.

### **Safe and caring schools:**

- Paul head of parent committee
- hot topic is COVID: release of student lockers. They now have access to these. Staggered within cohorts to visit their lockers. Welcome storage for the winter!
- Site review: \$13000 new slide has been put in.
- parking lot lighting malfunctioned, now fixed.
- school climate: on our way being led by the equity committee. Purchase of reading materials has been great. We audit the needs of early years teachers and maintaining our levelled reading.
- Main goal: ensuring every child has a solid foundation of reading by end of grade 1
- new lunchroom supervisors needed, got 2-3

### **Communications:**

- picture retakes, no. Our provider is not doing these because of late bookings, and it is taking longer for picture days. They don't want to enter buildings twice.
- Free: you can go to their studio for retake, but it is in Markham
- this Friday: immersion deadline for French
- Grade 5 students: Karen Kain school of arts Dec 17 deadline
- Adults on school property not wearing a mask: everyone is entitled to their opinion, but it is TDSB property, and it is a requirement. The exemption protocol is in place.

-Requests in switching between in person and virtual, info to come. Dec 3 and Jan 7<sup>th</sup> requests, no guarantee that needs can be met.

### **Teaching/learning:**

- Grade 3's have CCAT assessments done
- Holiday coat drive: info to come in December newsletter. Last week before the holidays, touchless drop off, 3 spots. Lifeline Afghanistan is the organization.
- only coats? Yes.

### **Dates:**

November 26 – Movember/Jersey Spirit Day  
November 26 – Early French Immersion Applications Close  
December 20-31-Winter Holiday Break  
January 3 – Classes Resume

\*In order to plan for students to switch between in-person and virtual learning for February 2022, families and students requesting a change must complete the Switch Form. Families and students who do not wish to make a change do not need to complete a form.

While we cannot guarantee that all requests for a switch can be met, it is our goal to accommodate as many as possible based on available programs and space (e.g. French Immersion, Extended French, Specialized Programs, Alternative Schools, other limited circumstances).

Elementary

**The Switch Form for elementary students will be open between December 3 to January 7.** Families and students who do not wish to make a change do not need to complete a form. Classes will reflect changes due to switches beginning on February 22, 2022.

### **Equity Liaison (Christie)**

- subcommittee, call out for volunteers. Please let her know if you are interested.
- post in newsletter will be done
- joining forces with Mme Rovas to include teachers
- Parent anti oppression/equity grant \$1500 towards workshops, guest speakers
- any ideas for application, what would we submit?
- student focus training? Is there opportunity to do this?
- Keep in mind education piece with artistic piece
- working with daycare on anti-racism policies, can we cross purpose this to the school?

-TDSB is still working on their policies, move forward together, important that all 3 communities work together and have these conversations (school, daycare and Alderwood community) Goal: being responsible global citizens.

-Telus safe online workshop, we can book it in the new year, free service offered.

-Adults 1 hr long

-Student workshop Grade 2-5, appropriate for grade 1? Christie to check.

**Questions for Michael:**

-Will we lose any teachers due to vaccine mandate? Confidential topic cannot answer.

**Daycare (Nenad)**

No one present.

**Next Meeting: Monday, January 10 at 6:30pm**