



SAB School Council Meeting Minutes - OCTOBER 25, 2021

Attendance:

Paul Younger*, Corinne Frey*, Michael Kanalec, Julie Monpierre, Bev Myhal, , Lindsay Apollinaro*, Purvi Acharya*, Melissa Bangma, Beverley Essue*, Christine Sheehan, Corinne Harper Jones*, Sara D, Michael Kinsey*, Melissa Churchill-Smith*, Lauren Rovas, Sarah Harwood, Nenad, Meagan Lau, Bev Myhal, Stacey Lortz, Melissa Macks, Corinne Frey*, Michelle Paul, Japmeen Johal, Wendy Bishop, Erin McMillan

*2020-2021 Voting Members

Approval of Agenda-Corinne, Paul, Melissa, Bev, Michael, Sara D

Approval of minutes-Paul, Corinne, Melissa, Bev, Lindsay, Michael

Election

-11 people nominated themselves

-Fundraising role may not be filled this year, that would be fine. We can do so by committee. Corinne Harper Jones to fill this role tentatively

-2 EXECUTIVE CO-CHAIR ROLES: NOMINATED: Corinne Frey and Paul Younger VOTE: Melissa, Michael, Lindsay, Sara, Bev

-EXECUTIVE SECRETARY ROLE: NOMINATED: Melissa VOTE: Lindsay, Sara, Paul, Michael

-COMMUNICATIONS COORDINATOR ROLE: Purvi

-EQUITY LIAISON: NOMINATED: Christie VOTE: Melissa, Lindsay, Purvi, Paul, Michael

-EXECUTIVE TREASURER: NOMINATED: Lindsay VOTE: Melissa, Sara, Paul, Michael

-VOTING MEMBERS: Megan Lau, Michael Kinsey, Beverley Essue, Erin McMillan, Saiqa Hazari

-Vote for TD bank signing to remove Kristen Fox and Paul Younger as signatures. Paul is leaving after this year and Kristen is not at the school any longer.

We will add Lindsay Apollinaro and Corinne Frey as signatories.

VOTE in favour: Melissa, Bev, Michael, Meagan, Paul, Corinne Frey, Purvi, Lindsay

Passed.

Lindsay-Budget

- \$6000 carry over from last year

- QSP? Sitting at \$120 to start.

- Allocated spending money for teachers, we do not have enough right now so if we want to commit, we need to raise more money. Come back to this later? Yes. Teachers most likely curious as well.

- have we given money to different ages/grades based on needs? Would we consider doing this? Not opposed, but we do want to make it equal between each grade.

- GRANTS-parents reaching out grant (parents to remove barriers), anti-racism grant through the province, do we want to apply for one? We do the PRO grant usually. Look at the structure of the application.

- city of Toronto-pollinator grant \$5000. Butterfly garden? Would we like it? Money has to be spent in the school year; November 15 is the application date. Michael to do.

- 1st component of the Centennial Garden, money got the raised tubs (\$1000). Part 2- we don't have funding for soil, flowers, etc. WE probably don't need that amount, but let's do it!

- updates on restrictions?? Can we plan anything fundraising wise with the upcoming restrictions being lifted? Michael will have to look into if there are any updates. New things come everyday!

- we could do chocolate almonds

- jump rope for heart? Done outside, need music. Does it still run? Yes we believe so. This would be similar to Terry Fox. We would not get money as a council.

Communications (Purvi/Bev)

- Email will be sent out for headshots for new council members. We post this so everyone knows who our council is.

- webpage, fundraising info up to date, etc.

Centennial Event (Monpierre)

- we need to make a committee. There will be a sign up, think of your strengths and how you can contribute.

Committees we will have:

1. Artifact committee: to collect memorabilia that were produced about SAB, to be displayed at open house. Working with Michael to take care of people's possessions.

We need to take care of their items. Wide open for what is submitted-anything goes.

Open house in the concourse to display anything we can get. People in the community are also wanted.

- April 30th is the open house

2. Dance committee: April 29th is the dance date; we could limit if still in COVID

3. In school committee: garden, artwork committee, kids involved with teachers

4. Coordinating committee: once a month meeting, each committee will have a rep that checks in here

-Google doc to register, read and join. Michael to send out in the newsletter. Hard copy available in teacher's classroom. Let Mme Monpierre know if you know anyone who doesn't have access to internet.

-Send messaging out through communications group

-created an email for the Centennial for people to connect. Michael to send out.

Admin Report (Michael)

-Thank you to the community to participating in new council vote in. So important to have an active council.

Safe and caring schools:

-Sick kids saliva test program. It is going well. Families that need to access, please do. Pretty seamless operation. Do you know what time the courier comes? Hesitant to publish a firm time. Trend is about 2pm each day. Friday is earlier, by 11am.

-Season-many people excited for Halloween. We must be careful with our treats, enjoy them at home. Try not to bring to the school for allergy students.

Halloween: not having the parade, keep costume fun with cohorts. We can't congregate at the bathroom, so have a simplified costume, minimal accessories.

No masks, incorporate your COVID mask into your costume. Basic and worn all day.

-Photo day on November 5. Two controlled environments in the spilt gym. Two teams working for photos, minimal interaction. No classroom photos. A composite photo will be done for the classes. There will be a fee for this.

Communications:

-next September early immersion to JK, next year double cohort entering FI.

-deadline for this application: Original sent out November 30th, that is **incorrect**, NOVEMBER 26th is the deadline. Meet this, it is firm.

-Catchment: James S bell, 7th st, Lanor, has been our catchment in the past. Messaging from each school will go out, parents of 3-year-olds need to contact the school now and register at their home school to get a student number to then get into the system. Must be on time. Reach out to Michael for questions.

-Local daycares-those should get that info through the TDSB, social media, etc. Responsibility falls on them.

-Every early French immersion site in the TDSB will move to JK

Teaching/learning:

-assessment and reporting time right now.

-Grade 5 student wants to initiate a coat drive to support LIFELINE Afghanistan, support the refugees coming into our country. Presenting to the staff. Anticipate our next steps and operational guidelines on how to make this happen.

-Equity: monthly basis at staff meetings we continue our journey of equity.

Dates:

October 29th: Dress up day

November 5th: Photo Day

November 15th: Progress reports go home

Questions for Michael:

-The fun fall day was amazing-thank you to those who organized it.

-Big crunch? Done in March.

Daycare (Nenad)

-AGM on Wednesday, virtual at 7pm

-Presenter coming on Raising anti-racist children and being an anti-racist parent.

Wednesday 6-7pm.

-Last year we had a virtual performance with an actress. We touched base with her to see if she could do something on the weekends. 6 show schedule every 3rd week, offered to families.

-Older groups: virtual Bollywood program going on for Grades 2-3.

-Toddler playground to be resurfaced. Hopefully in the spring.

-Public health contacted us to see if we were interested in hosting a vaccination clinic? Targeting areas of the city that have lower numbers. Most likely a weekend event. We will do this.

Open Forum

-any interest in Telus-wise (free) presentation about safe interactions online for Grades 2-6, helping kids navigate online. There is a parent one as well. Please move ahead. Christie to do it.

-Planning for next year parent workshops, ideas for next meeting.

-non COVID symptoms: Do we have to get them tested every time? We also don't want the kids home with non-covid symptoms. Back to school form-look at first section and the 5 bullets, select the final bullet and sign off for return to school if they have those non covid symptoms. Always err on side of caution.

-Something to look at: different multicultural events. Diversity corner in newsletter.

Next Meeting: Monday, November 22nd at 6:30pm