

MINUTES
BIRD'S HILL SCHOOL
PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL (PAC)
via MS Teams
June 8, 2022 - 6:30pm

1. Meeting called to order at 6:40 pm

1.1 In attendance: Larina R-M., Anita M., Amanda D., Monica T.

Regrets: Joanne S., Kori O., Julie B., Melissa W., Nihal B., Lisa. M, Maria & Steven, Adelle F.

2. Review / Acceptance of minutes - May 19, 2022 minutes with the administrative changes

- Motion to accept minutes: Larina R-M;

3. Treasurer Report (Joanne):

- We have \$2,275 in the PAC accounts currently.
- Money has been allotted for the farewell and teacher appreciation
- Separate from that money is the playground account \$13,183.00

4. School Report (Anita M.)

- Staffing update:
New for 2022/2023 school year:
 - Grade 1 - (.5)Meghan Sadowi
 - Grade 2 - Braeden Freund
 - ENIP - Early Numeracy intervention plan - Natasha Ingram
 - There is a plan to have EA's for each classroom. There would be two adults in each class
- Pilot project started in 2021/2022 ENOT - early numeracy from observation - pilot project
- School events
 - June 15 - 1/2/3 field trip - Zoo
 - June 23 - Field Day - Grade 5 playing a leadership role
 - June 30 - report cards on parent portal - will have next year's teachers on report card
- There is approx. 37 students registered for Kindergarten for 2022/2023 school year
- Parent Question: for field day, are there options for parent volunteers?
 - Answer: Volunteers need to have child abuse registry check and criminal record check completed. The plan starting next year, is to have a database of parents who have been approved.
- Parent Question: for field day, can parents observe?
 - Answer: Not for this year. Possible plan for 2022/2023 school year.
- Parent Question: for the Zoo field trip, are there enough volunteers/ adults to supervise?
 - Answer: there are a certain amount of spots and they are filled with teachers and EA's. Volunteers are required to have their child abuse registry check and criminal record check completed

- There is a school based event planned for Tuesday September 6/22, it is a PD day.
 - Back to school BBQ - time would be about 3:30/4:00. There would be food, chips. A chance for the students to bring their supplies to school, meet their teacher and see their classroom.

5. Committee Reports

5.1 Lunch Program Committee (lunch time supervision) (Amanda/Joanne/Melissa)

- Registrations for 2022-2023 school have gone out. Due end of May 2022.
- Lunch Program supervisors are fully staffed. Yearly reviews are being done
- Committee is looking for another member to join, currently 3 members & school representative (Joanne S., Amanda D., Melissa W., and principle Anita M)
- Meetings are monthly and one hour long, usually same week as PAC

5.2 Fundraising (Amanda/Julie/Melissa):

- Bike raffle - deferred to 2022/2023 school year.

5.3 Hot lunch (Joanne/Julie):

- Deferred discussion to 2022/2023 school year.

6. Playground Committee –(Julie/Melissa/Kori/Monica)

- \$13,313.00 in Playground Fund - \$130 cheque that was previously returned was reissued.
- Committee met with Bryan again and received two quotes for two different designs. Each quote was over the \$200,000 mark.
- Went back to Bryan to discuss \$125,000 budget for north side including zip line, saucer swing, fibar engineered wood surfacing that is wheel chair accessible. These are wish list items from the students
- In regards to adding swings on south side, money wise not worth it. Wait until south side is being renovated
- Playgrounds R Us is gifting BHS 2 jets tickets in the Labatte lounge area to be raffled off for fundraising for the playground Over the summer, Julie will apply charitable raffle license.
- Information acquired is that we do not need final quote/design to start applying for grants
- Grants and RETSD requires three quotes from the architect firms, and with the landscapes
- Need to get quotes and designs to send to RETSD, RETSD chooses architect firm.

7. New Business

7.1 Staff appreciation

- Schedule is as follows
 - June 6 -Soaps, fancy toilet paper and lotions in the staff washrooms
 - June 14 -Cookies
 - June 20 - sweet treats
 - June 23 - salty snacks and drinks

7.2 Grad 5 Farewell

- Teachers are still planning a day of activities for the grade 5 students but haven't confirmed details.

7.3 Meetings

AGM - Sept. 21/22 6:30 PM

8. Meeting adjournment 7:34 pm.

Next meeting: AGM September 21, 2022 at 6:30 pm (via MS Teams)