

MINUTES
BIRD'S HILL SCHOOL
PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL (PAC) – Annual General Meeting (AGM)
via MS Teams
September 21, 2022 - 6:30pm

1. Meeting called to order at 6:40 pm

1.1 In attendance: Larina R-M., Julie B., Melissa W., Monica T., Andrea C., Sam S

Regrets: Joanne S., Anita M., Amanda D.

2. Review / Acceptance of minutes - June 8, 2022 minutes with the administrative changes

- Motion to accept minutes: Larina R-M. 2nd: Melissa W.

3. Treasurer Report (Larina for Joanne):

- We have \$2893.50 in our PAC account. There will be a charge coming through for \$205.00 for the June 2022 grad farewell. So that will leave us with \$2688.50.
- There is \$103.18 in a separate account for those who can't afford hot lunch.
- \$13,313.00 will be transferred to the trust account at the division for the playground improvements. This will give them a total of \$14,313.00 in that trust.

4. School Report (Andrea Chubey for Anita M.)

- First off, I apologize that I am unable to attend our first live PAC meeting. I am part of a divisional professional development committee and tonight begins our two day professional learning event. Still, I look forward to meeting all of you as our school year unfolds.
- We have had a fantastic start this year! It was a welcomed situation to be able to see every one's smiling face on the first day of school! Our teaching staff and our students are really enjoying being able to work and play with each other in a way that affords positive learning across the entire school.
- This year our staff roster includes the following people:

Grade 1:	Amanda Parisian & Meghan Sadowy
Grade 1-2:	Andrea Chubey
Grade 2:	Braeden Freund
Grade 3:	Eric Anderson
Grade 3:	Vanessa Yewchyn
Grade 4-5:	Caitlin Diachun
Grade 4-5:	Mark LaPage
Grade 4-5:	Liam Marshall
Music:	Bonnie Walker
Phys. Ed.:	Marnie Rand
Teacher Librarian:	Leslie Dent only with us half time
Guidance:	Reesa Stadnyk - half time resource and guidance
Resource:	Deborah Wellman

We also have 8 Educational Assistants, 9 Teacher Candidates and a half time library tech.

- Extra-Curricular activities like run club and the friendship room have started up and many students are actively involved. Many more opportunities like these will be available to our students as we move forward into the school year.
- We had a meet the teacher night on September 6th and it was a great success. Many students came to their class, brought school items, and met their teacher prior to the first day which helped to alleviate first day jitters for everyone (including our teachers!) This will definitely be a practice that we maintain moving forward.
- This year we are focusing on furthering our understanding of Indigenous education, numeracy, and literacy in all our classes. Parent Teacher Conferences will be held as usual in November. We will continue the virtual format we have used over the past two years as it allows both flexibility and privacy for all our students and parents, but new this year is our Celebration of Learning night. This night will be a chance for parents and families to come into our buildings and see the learning that has been taking place over the past few months. You will see work in progress, completed work and performance ready work (which means maybe even a musical presentation). Of course, more information will follow as this evening begins to take shapes!

That is all for now! I look forward to our continued collaboration and cooperation! Take care

5. Committee Reports

5.1 Lunch Program Committee (lunch time supervision) (Amanda)

- Fully Staffed
- Registrations went out in June
- Will address missing paperwork

5.2 Fundraising (Amanda/Melissa):

- Nothing brought forward yet. Bring forward ideas for the year to set out.

5.3 Hot lunch (Julie):

- Sam interested in starting this again
- Munch a lunch discussed and to be researched as an option for hot lunch
- PAC to start asking for volunteers through an email to ask for parents to join PAC to have enough members to start hot lunch again.

6. Playground Committee –(Melissa/Monica)

- playgrounds R us: meetings to get a design and quotes are under way, and have had multiple drawings, but still working on the final option.
- Playgrounds R Us gave Jets tickets in Budweiser lounge to raffle off (Feb 28 game vs LA kings)
- Working on charitable donation for licensing for lottery to allow for larger fundraisers and selling for tickets more than \$2.00. Committee is working on this process.

7. New Business

7.1 PAC Elections for Executive

- PAC elections: positions open: treasurer and co-chair; due to the number of parents in attendance, unable to vote – voting for positions to take place next meeting

7.2 PAC Meeting date 2022/23

- 3rd Wednesday of each month
- In person meetings available again and all meetings may be held in person.
- TEAMS option could be available for those who wish: Larina will check with Anita if this could be an option and how to set this up.
- Larina will check with Anita to see if kids can be brought to PAC meetings if older kids come babysit or they play quietly in the Library

7.3 PAC General Updates

- Minutes – sent out a few days prior to meeting
- PAC communications – email distribution of minutes; meeting dates are also listed on weekly newsletter from the school
- PAC constitution – to be reviewed and updated in future meetings.

8. Meeting adjournment 7:38 pm.

Next meeting: October 19, 2022 @ 6:30 pm in the school library