

**Bradner Elementary School
Parent Advisory Council**

Meeting Minutes

April 16, 2021

In Attendance:

Stacey Stinson, Tamara Arden, Lynette Haladin, Jen Cowan, Kori Wall, Melissa Yeomans, Christine Jordan and Mike Luzia (virtual)

March Minutes

- Motion to accept March's minutes made by Melissa, 2nd by Kori, all in favour

Principal's Report

- The planters are going to look amazing – thank you to the PAC. The school will pay to put the flowers in every year. Clearview Garden Center will donate the flowers for this year if we are able to put a “donated by” sign. Mrs. Jordan is going to check to see if it is okay to put a sign there.
- We did not get accepted into the pilot project for the outdoor learning space. Mrs. Jordan has talked to facilities about our nature play space – it has to be fully certified and professionally installed so it will cost a lot of money.
- Facilities will come out and pour concrete for the Gaga ball court and then parents can build the court. We will need to find a good spot for the court. Mike Luzia and his brother are willing to take the lead on the project.
- The amphitheater was taken out so we will need to come up with a plan for outdoor seating.
- The staff is looking at year end events – they are planning a sports day on Friday, June 18th for the kids with 5 stations and several activities within each station. The events won't involve a lot of equipment and classes will stay in their own groups. The three Fridays leading up to sports day will be centers outside to get ready for the sports day games.
- Mrs. Jordan asked about art start performance times – the performer will go from class to class. Mrs. Jordan will contact the woman about times and structure.
- Mrs. Jordan asked us to purchase the year end reading gift card prize that we had voted on previously
- Mrs. Jordan is staying at Bradner next year.
- The school board has said that schools can book buses for field trips – there are not many available and it is on a first come first serve basis. Mrs. Jordan will talk to the staff about this, but she is not sure that she wants the school to go on field trips in the community at this time.

Treasurer's Report

- Nothing to report – expenses this month include trophies, dirt and art start performance

DPAC Meeting

- Nothing to Report

Immediate Funding Opportunities and Voting

- Year-end activity – tabled until next month to ask Mrs. Jordan what she might like support with for sports day. Ideas are a fishing booth with trinkets and/or freezies
- Year end certificates and trophies – motion to provide up to \$200 to pay for the year end certificates and trophies made by Tamara, 2nd by Stacey, all in favor, motion passed.
- Public Speaking Awards – motion to provide up to \$25 in funds to pay for the public speaking awards made by Kori, 2nd by Tamara, all in favor, motion passed.
- Gaga court – motion to provide up to \$3500 for composite wood and brackets to build the gaga court, made by Tamara, 2nd by Melissa, all in favor, motion passed.

Other Business

- Hot lunch and popcorn day – KFC hot lunch is today and next hot lunch is for May 14. Melissa will check with Ms. Jordan if she would like a hot lunch on sports day. We will need to re-order popcorn soon. Lynette will find out the price before the meeting in May. Stacey wants the prices at Surdel to be checked before we order from the popcorn guy in Aldergrove. A google search was done: Surdel is \$1.90 per popcorn bag. Melissa emailed the popcorn guy to find the price. Cara and Lynette will be leaving Bradner at the end of the year, so someone will have to take over the popcorn days.
- School supply update – Kori did a google search and there are not a lot of companies out there. Edu-Pac was a bad experience for, Amanda but the company we used last year was very expensive. Samantha Brezden has agreed to take on the school supply order profile. Thank you Samantha.
- Raffle update – no update
- Art card update – the company has informed us that we will have to pay an admin fee because this is the second art card fundraiser for this school year. We will find out how much it is and then decide if we want to proceed. Jen looked up the site and said there is a \$1 user fee for every on-line order. If we do it, the cards will be available to order during the second week of May.
- Front area improvement plan progress – Kori picked up planters over spring break. Mike and his brother helped unload them and filled them with dirt. Thanks to everyone who helped. We have to decide how to paint them – ideas are a faux stone look or a classic color. The kids will plant flowers. Kori wants to get more dirt for the flower beds and we discussed flowers/plants that would be good for that area
- Outdoor play space ideas - Ideas for an outdoor play space include soccer goal posts or basketball courts, mud kitchens, gravel pits and spider web climbing cables. The gaga ball court is in progress, thanks to Mike and his brother. Mike is doing a plan for it. The lumber

cost is expensive. For Mike to do it, it would cost approximately \$1600 with pressure treated wood and brackets and \$3100 for composite wood and brackets. We also need a bouncy surface – concrete which will be done by facilities

- Hanging basket sale – We were unable to coordinate this for mother's day
- Car Rally – Melissa thought things would loosen up by the end of May with COVID restrictions so park visits would be appropriate, but things are tighter now so we are going to put this aside at this time.
- Teacher's appreciation lunch – date and ideas. We talked about providing a take-out lunch for the staff. It would be between 14 and 16 people at approximately \$15 per person. Kori will make cupcakes and provide beverages. Date will be tentatively be June 16th. Tamara will check some restaurants: Brodeurs, Wings, Famosa, Cactus club, Browns and will get options before the next meeting.
- Elections will be at the next meeting – all PAC executive positions will be open for nomination.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:55

Next meeting is Friday May 14 at 9:15am.