

**Bradner Elementary School
Parent Advisory Council**

Meeting Minutes

June 12, 2021

In Attendance:

Stacey Stinson, Tamara Arden, Aksana Zhuk, Kori Wall, Melissa Yeomans, Etta Mafukidze, Samantha Brezden, Lynette Haladin, Candace Hagan, Christine Jordan (virtual)

May Minutes

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

Principal's Report

- The Gaga ball pit is scheduled to go in next week
- Grade 5 Farewell – Ms. Jordan will be sending out a letter to communicate the plan. She had to decide whether to split the class into two groups and have an in-person farewell ceremony or to have the whole class and it be a drive-in event. Parents will be given a 15-minute drive-thru window. Kids and parents can get out of the car when they get to the front of the line. Parents are asked not to take the kids with them at the end after their turn so there are kids left to celebrate with the kids at the end of the line. This will be scheduled between 1pm and 2:45 on June 29th.
- Ms. Jordan thanked the PAC and parents for everything that we did this year for the school
- Staff are providing a hot dog lunch for sports day
- There will be one more bulldog assembly
- EA Sonan will be leaving this year and the librarian is retiring.
- Mrs. Jordan has booked the meet the teacher night for September 23.
- They are planning for a regular 1st day drop off in September

Treasurer's Report

- Gaming reports have to be filled in at the end of next year. Stacey will do it this year.
- Kori and Stacey will meet in August and do the turn over.
- Popcorn generated over \$400 and hot lunch generated over \$500
- Donations generated \$2865
- The raffle made \$5636

DPAC Meeting

- One PAC had an issue where the PAC chair excluded the principal from attending PAC meetings, so there was a lot of discussion about whether they were allowed to do this. The result was that PACs authority is based on the School Act and PACs don't answer to school administration. PACs can ask any school administrators to leave meetings and are also not required to show any financial records, bank statements, etc. to school administrators

- Regarding grade 5 send-offs - current health rules state maximum 10 people gathered outside for elementary schools, so drive through events are encouraged
- More discussion about emergency/earthquake kits:
 - Some schools kits are paid for by the district, but most are paid for by PACs. To save money, PACs can ask parents to supply water/food for the kit for each kid for the year, and parents can have it back in June. The DPAC chair will try to approach the district to get a more definitive answer on who should pay
 - Earthquake kits have to be stored outside in shipping containers as it may not be safe to re-enter the building after a quake
 - Emergency kits can be stored inside in case of extended “shelter in place” cases

Immediate Funding Opportunities and Voting

- Meet the teacher barbecue and coffee and snacks for first day of school – Motion to provide up to \$300 to pay for food for the meet the teacher barbecue in September and for donuts and coffee for the first day of school made by Tamara, 2nd by Kori – majority in favor; motion passed.
- Reading Prizes - Motion to provide up to \$300 to pay for reading prizes made by Kori, 2nd by Stacey – majority in favor; motion passed.
- Gifts for Departing Staff - Motion to provide up to \$50 to pay for gifts for departing staff made by Tamara, 2nd by Melissa – majority in favor; motion passed. We will contact Amanda and/or Smit’s nursery for flowers
- Terry Fox Run – Motion to provide up to \$100 for Terry Fox Refreshments in September made by Stacey, 2nd by Aksana, all in favor, motion passed

Other Business

- Art card update – This was not as profitable as the Christmas one – it made about \$250 which is half of what the Christmas one makes.
- Popcorn – we will continue with the pre-order program for next year.
- Raffle update – Raffle was a lot of work, but it was very profitable. All items were donated and it made \$5600
- Gaga court update – The district facilities staff came out to "have a look" a week or so ago but we have not been informed when it will be installed. Lumber price is INSANE right now so we are hoping they will wait until August/September when hopefully prices come back down.
- Ladies Flower Garden Fundraiser in September – This is scheduled for Thursday September 16th. We will circulate the first week of school.
- Summer meeting – pool party TBD
- We need volunteers for summer watering
- Charlie Atherton-Walby’s # (604) 308-7680 –she is the contact for the reading bike. She is a manager at Toys R Us and has committed to supplying the bike in future years.

Meeting was adjourned at 2:04

Next meeting is Friday September 10th at 9:30am