

**Bradner Elementary School  
Parent Advisory Council**

**Meeting Minutes**

**May 14, 2021**

**In Attendance:**

Stacey Stinson, Tamara Arden, Cara Reimer, Aksana Zhuk, Jen Cowan, Kori Wall, Melissa Yeomans, Samantha Brezden, Lynette Haladin, Amanda McAllister, Candace Hagan, Christine Jordan and Mike Luzia (virtual)

**April Minutes**

- Motion to accept April's minutes made by Melissa, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Stacey, all in favour

**Principal's Report**

- Mrs. Jordan shared about the budget and will email Kori the power point presentation to circulate. The school board is in a healthy place in regards to the district budget. Teacher salary takes up half of the budget. There is a small discretionary fund released to schools. This year Bradner's was larger than normal (\$8700) due to last year's early shutdown. This usually covers paper, supplies and celebrations of students, etc. The school makes the spending decisions in accordance with our learning goals. This year the school spent the money on the learning commons area and literacy (furniture, etc.)
- Gaga ball pit – Mike will drop off the brackets. It costs between \$1500 and \$3000 to put a concrete plot in. Facilities suggested that it goes where the running long jump pit is, close to the front door. This location will keep the cost down. Mrs. Jordan will make the decision on the location. The district has to provide the lumber and the labor. The Pac will assist with the cost in accordance to what we voted on last month.
- We can build an outdoor play space with small pieces of nature material (stumps, rounds and clumps and things that can be piled and moved, mud kitchens, pea gravel and mulch pits). We can look at planning for this next year. We cannot make a climbing structure. Mrs. Jordan would like some type of climber and an outdoor classroom seating area. Large climbing structures cost several thousand dollars (\$30,000 to \$45,000).
- Grade 5 farewell looks like it will be a drive-thru event or small groups. Staff are planning swag bags and photos and asked if the Pac would contribute money to these.
- Staff is planning a parent appreciation drive thru event on Tuesday June 8 after school. The school will send out invitations
- We have 19 kindergarten registrations for next year right now with some out of catchment kids.
- Nothing is changing with Bradner next year. There will be no more remote learning option and we have been approved for 5 divisions. We can have our PAC room back!

**Treasurer's Report**

- Stacey has all treasurer information on a thumb drive to pass onto the new treasurer. We voted on a total of approximately \$13000. She applied for the gaming grant for next year. It should come in October.
- We can use funds from the gaming account to pay for the Gaga ball brackets
- Our donations have kept us above water this year – a total of approximately \$2800

### **DPAC Meeting**

- There was a short DPAC meeting at the end of April. There is nothing to report from it.

### **Immediate Funding Opportunities and Voting**

- Year-end activity – motion to provide up to \$50 to pay for freezies for sports day made by Tamara, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Melissa, all in favor, motion passed.
- Popcorn – motion to provide up to \$140 to order popcorn for next year, made by Kori, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Stacey, all in favor, motion passed
- Teacher Appreciation Lunch - motion to provide up to \$260 to pay for lunch for the staff on June 16<sup>th</sup> made by Kori, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Stacey, all in favor, motion passed.
- Swag bags for Grade 5 students - motion to provide up to \$120 to buy gift cards for the grade 5 kids made by Kori, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Tamara, all in favor, motion passed.
- Hot lunch donation for student in financial need – motion to provide \$15 to cover the cost of two hot lunches, made by Aksana, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Sam, all in favor, motion passed
- PAC executive election – all positions are open
  - 1) DPAC Rep – Mike Luzia
  - 2) Secretary – Tamara Arden
  - 3) Treasurer/website – Kori Wall
  - 4) Vice President – Candace Hagan
  - 5) President – Samantha Brezden
  - 6) Hot lunch/volunteer coordinator – Melissa Yeomans

Motion to accept the filled positions made by Cara, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Aksana, all in favor, motion passed

### **Other Business**

- Hot lunch - this will be the week before sports day and it will be from a place in Aldergrove on June 11<sup>th</sup>.
- Popcorn order – Lynette ordered it from Discount party rentals – it was the cheapest and we also received a 10 percent discount for being a part of the Abbotsford School district
- School supply update – The school has circulated an order for school supplies, but we were going to try to source a cheaper option. Sam will talk Ms. Juulsen to see if anyone has ordered yet.
- Staff Appreciation Luncheon – Tamara will send an email to the staff in regards to ordering from the healthcare hero menu from Cactus club for 15 staff and will deliver the lunches to the school by 12:15 on June 2<sup>nd</sup>.
- Raffle Update – The raffle prizes are in place and the tickets have been circulated and are due back next week.

- Art Card Update – The cards went home and can be ordered up to May 21<sup>st</sup>.
- Front Area Improvement plan progress – Kori got flowers donated from Clearview Garden Center. She found buckets of stone finish paint at Canadian Tire for \$65, so she will purchase one and we will paint the planters. We need to send thank you cards for Mount Lehman Credit Union and Clearview Nursery to thank them for their donations.
- Outdoor play and learning spaces – this will be included in our goal setting for next year
- Gaga Court Update – brackets have been purchased and Mrs. Jordan is working with facilities to find a location. We will support the cost of the concrete slab and lumber.
- New Table Storage – we can store the tables with the other tables we have.
- Amanda offered her flower garden as a fundraiser location for a ladies night on a week night in September – we will discuss this further at the next meeting

Meeting was adjourned at 10:30

Next meeting is Friday June 11th at 12:30 (luncheon) – location to be determined – lunch needs to be ordered and paid for in advance, so please let us know by June 2<sup>nd</sup> if you are planning on attending, so we can provide you with the details on the order.