

École Barrie Wilson School

School Council Meeting Agenda

Wednesday, May 9, 2018

10 in attendance.

Call to Order at 7:00pm

1. District Greetings from RDPSD Trustee Nicole Buchanan

2. Flower Sale

- Pick up is next week. 6 volunteers needed for the day of pick-up (May 16, 2 hour shifts between noon and 6pm)

3. Spring Fling

- Chedda Heads will no longer be setting up outside. Instead, we will have a BBQ with hot dogs, chips and bottles of water. Cost of meal is \$5; extras will cost as follows: hot dogs \$2, chips \$2, bottles of water \$1. Also ice cream sandwiches (\$1). Dinner will start at 5:30pm, dance at 6pm.

- Will send out "Letter of Intent" for parents to return to school by May 17 with how many hot dogs etc their family may eat so as to get a rough estimate of how much to purchase. This is NOT a pre-order form.

- 6 volunteers needed.

4. Online Safety Presentation by Jo(e) Social Media @ GW Smith

- Really interesting presentation, well attended. Good focus on mental health impact of social media in youth.

- ÉBWS to consider hosting a presentation in the fall. Could bring in Jo(e) or another group like Telus, and potentially our RCMP Resource Officer. To be discussed further in September.

5. BOKS

- Currently running 4 days per week because of the high demand; students grouped Tuesday/Thursday or Wednesday/Friday. Currently ~65 students attend in each group – threshold at the initiation of the program was 40

- Have currently spent \$850 ytd. Is it possible to get a corporate sponsor for the program/food costs? Have ~\$450 remaining in the previously approved budget for the program. Idea: could send a form home with students attending the program with a request for donations to cover the cost of delivery.

- Teachers are noticing a direct positive impact as a result of the program with students attending.

6. School Photos

- 3 proposals reviewed: Lifetouch Photography, Smart Photography, VMoore Photo.

- Overall each company offered pricing and products that were comparable. Recommendation approve VMoore Photo as the 2018/2019 School Photographer by parents who attended presentations by each company.

Motion: To approve VMoore Photo as the 2018/2019 photographer for school/student pictures. Motion by Alison C. Seconded by Marcy M. Passed unanimously.

7. Green Bins at School

- Suggestion: Is it possible to get a few bins around the school? The area the school is in currently has green bin pick-up by the city, most students are becoming familiar with it in their homes. Concern regarding amount of green waste there is from BOKS program (lots of peels, cuttings etc.). Fits well in the overall philosophy of student wellness/eco wellness/paperless school.

- Teacher perspective: very difficult for K-2, perhaps not as challenging for older grade levels. There is also a focus unit on recycling in grade 4.

- School garbage is handled by a private contractor, they do not currently have green bin pick-up at the school. Mr. Good will look into getting a bin in the staff room and perhaps another for a few classrooms.

8. "Wheel Week"

- June 4-8

- "Bike to School Day" is June 5. All bikes will be parked in the bus lane, parents are asked to pick-up/drop-off on the north side of the school. Encourage all parents to bike to school with their kids. There will be coffee for parents/fruit or kids that morning at the school.

9. 2018/2019 Parent Council

- Elections to be held in September so as to encourage new parents to join.

- June meeting will be held at 6:30pm in the gathering area, pot luck.

- September meeting will also be at 6:30pm (date TBD) with desserts.

- How can we get more parents involved next year? Idea: guest speaker/teacher speak on what they are doing in classes? Idea: ASCA wants to do some presentations around the province, but would be interested in doing them for larger groups (similar to city wide, due to reduction in funding). Could we host something and involve other schools? Idea: Could we help with child care? Some parents have volunteered their grade 7/8 kids.

10. Play Day

- June 26. More details to be discussed at June meeting.

11. Hot Lunch Program

- All going well. Need to find a replacement or committee to take over for Nicole in September.

12. Principal's Report

- McDonald's Fundraiser raised close to \$11,000 for the playground! Mdm. Nye's class won the "most hearts sold". Looks like Mr. Good is sleeping on the roof!
- Mrs. Wortman has accepted a Vice Principal position at Normandeau for next year. We wish her all the best.
- Next year's student projection outlook looks the same as it was this year.
- Mrs. McKeague will be winning an award for "Best Phys Ed Teacher in Canada" at a conference next week.
- Students in Grade 5 (and some 4) attended the CA Coding Quest. It started as a project in January where students coded a video game. They developed a story and characters. There was a PBL unit on immigration prior to the project's initiation, most of the games had this focus. Over 500 kids (a large contingent from our school) attended in partnership with RDPSD, Chinook's Edge and RDC. They visited the RDC Innovation Centre, learned about how these skills transfer into jobs in the future, and made presentations on their games.
- Grade 5s are getting ready to transition into middle school.
- Annual Showcase is in June. Volunteer Tea will be held at the Showcase.

13. Update from ASCA

- Jaelene was elected to the Board of Directors of the ASCA. Congratulations! She also provided an update from the ASCA conference.

Adjourned 8:16pm.

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Fundraising Association Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, May 9, 2018

10 in attendance.

Call to Order at 8:17pm

1. Treasurer's Report - Marcy

- Hot lunch program raised \$239.50 in April (Opa and Extreme Pita)
- McDonald's Fundraiser raised close to \$11,000.
- Flower Fundraiser raised \$2439

2. Playground Committee

- Did not receive Coop grant
- Will meet again after the Spring Fling

3. Teacher Wish List

- After playground is built, need ideas for what Parent Council can spend \$ on. Teachers to prepare a "wish list" for larger purchase possibilities.

4. Admazing Savings Book

- Looking into buy 5 get 1 free deal.
- Jaelene to arrange purchase of the books. Agreed to purchase 600 Red Deer books, no Calgary or Edmonton this year.
- Book pick-up/send home will be 1x per week only. Dates still TBD. Probably shorter campaign, starting at the beginning of the school year. September only?

5. AGLC

- Casino to occur Q1 of 2019.

Adjourned 8:31pm.